

## Board Report

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### **Erate Funding**

The 2026 federal Erate filing window is now open and will remain open through February. This is the time for school districts to submit funding requests for the 26-27 school year. I will be working to continue our network upgrade (see below). I am looking to update the fiber connections between all data closets and each building.

### **Network Refresh**

This is the note from last year regarding Erate: “I will be working to secure funding for a new “back-bone” for our entire network. I am also working to secure funding for a managed network service to help support the new network for the first year. I am also working to get funding to support a complete wiring closet rewire to go along with this project.” I am pleased to announce that all of this has been completed! New network, new WiFi, and new data racks and wiring!

### **Gilligan Stadium**

The new network is now extended to Gilligan concession and press box. We now have Wi-Fi that covers the football field, tennis courts and concession areas. The Hudl camera is live and we can now record events on the field. I have placed new temporary security cameras. We are

working on finalizing the purchase and installation of multiple cameras to cover the area.

### **Grandview**

As construction continues, we are now working even more on implementing the technology portion. We have the door controllers online for the majority of the new construction. We have new security cameras in and around the new gymnasium. We are currently working on keycards for the classroom doors.