



Response/Action Required

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To: Elementary and Secondary Principals & Office Staff
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Regarding: **Projector Removal**

Equipping teachers with greater innovation more than just projection, the LITS department worked with representative teachers in the selection of the [Boxlight Interactive](#) Panel to replace current projectors. Panel installation for elementary schools was completed last Spring, and installation for secondary schools was completed in the Fall of 2022. The projection updates in the classroom are funded by the 2016 and 2022 capital levies.

Since the panels are in place, LITS has begun planning for the removal of the old out-of-warranty Epson projectors from classrooms. **Elementary and Secondary schools with projectors on tables/desks will have them removed from classrooms over the Summer.** Schools will have a small supply of projectors for check-out if needed.

Any instructional space without a panel at this time will still have access to a projector. The LITS department is identifying an additional smaller interactive panel to be utilized in these smaller instructional spaces, with expected implementation in the Fall.

Projector Removal FAQs

Why are the projectors getting removed?

Our new district standards for classroom projection are the interactive panels. These panels were selected through feedback from EPS Everett Education Association members and provide updated functionality of our classroom technology.

Why can't I keep my projector?

Elmo Projectors are well past warranty and are considered end of life devices. Even though some still function, they are experiencing a much higher rate of failure. Support for failing projector devices is not available.

What if my projector is mounted to the ceiling/wall/is a special projector purchased for my specific curriculum?

Elmo standard-mounted projectors will continue to be present in classrooms until a removal schedule with maintenance is created. Short-throw projectors (the newer models mounted to a wall) will remain in classrooms. Special projectors purchased for specific curriculum will remain in classrooms.

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I have a strong instructional case for why I need a projector AND an interactive panel. Can I use my projector until it dies?

Teachers should work with their administrators to discuss specific instructional needs/use cases for keeping both a projector and a panel in their classroom. Administrators will then work with the LITS department on a plan for that specific case.

Can I buy my projector?

Everett Public Schools does not sell surplus district assets.

Projector Removal Schedules: Any non-mounted projector (those that sit on desks or tables) will be removed this summer. Mounted projectors will be removed in partnership with maintenance, which will require a longer-term schedule. More info to come.

Required Action:

Please share information with staff