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Technology Advisory Council
April 24, 2025

Agenda

Time	Topic	Facilitator
4:30	**Welcome & meeting overview**	Brian Beckley
4:35-5:00	**Artificial Intelligence** Magic School and School AI Teacher pilot update Share tools in use and application	Karen Hickenbottom
5:00-5:20	**Student Information System** Training update Project timeline	Tavis Miller
5:20-5:30	**Break**	
5:30-5:50	**2022 Capital Levy projects status updates** Lifecycle Management Sound enhancements-secondary classrooms	Todd Koren
5:50-5:55	**2026 Bond update** Update timeline	Brian Beckley
5:55	**Optimistic closure & feedback link**	Brian Beckley

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TAC Vision

Each member of Everett Public Schools is engaged in rigorous learning critically important to ongoing success both within and beyond the school walls, utilizing innovative technology tools that are a part of an equitable, robust, sustainable system.

Purpose

Identify, coordinate and prioritize the demands for using technology to advance student achievement and increase operational efficiency. The council works within the parameters of the district strategic plan and with other councils to optimize the district's short- and long-term 21st century teaching and learning objectives.

The Technology Advisory Council

- Provides guidance on aligning instructional and operational technology initiatives
- Provides guidance in prioritizing available funding from capital fund resources, bonds or levies
- Analyzes the demand for future resources to ensure sustainability of district technology and growth
- Provides parameters and support for updating the district technology plan
- Oversees implementation of the board-approved district technology plan

Technology Advisory Council: Role & Purpose		
Scope of Work	**Description of Tasks**	**Deliverables**
Systematically identify, coordinate and prioritize future district needs for technology ------------------------------------- Assess and make recommendations for systematic use of technology, technology systems, and degree of professional development necessary to improve student achievement ------------------------------------- Align technology plan with strategic plan	Evaluate systems and components necessary to support student achievement and increase operational efficiencies --------------------------------- Identify, prioritize and align instructional and operational technology needs of the district Review Integrated Technology Plan and evidence of implementation --------------------------------- Participate in annual planning process providing technology-related information and input to planning team	Annual assessment of technology needs and resource implications ------------------------------------- Update annual technology work plan to advance Integrated Technology Plan Interim reports to superintendent, cabinet, and other groups as needed ------------------------------------- Reflection on the implementation of Integrated Technology Plan through Annual Operating Plan

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Norms

- Listen to each other and provide support in the form of questions or points to ponder
- While someone is speaking utilize the Chat feature in Zoom to ask questions
- Please update profile to include your full name in the meeting
- Would like video on at beginning of meeting to greet and then preference to video off
- Remember to mute when not speaking
- Keep conversations healthy– focus on issues, check for understanding before reacting– focus on the interests of all parties
- Respect the developmental nature of this group's work:
  - Gather input when requested
  - Remember proposals are suggestions not promises
  - Use caution in sharing ideas that are under construction

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Artificial Intelligence

In Everett Public Schools

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Join the
AI Challenge 2025

bit.ly/AIChallenge25

Brought to you by the LMS Team

- Access to **Paid** versions of School AI & Magic School available **through end of year**. You can use with students.
- **Help us decide which tool to choose for Fall!**

Pilot and selection timeline

AI Committee Meeting #1

AI Committee Meeting #2 – PD for committee

AI Committee Meeting #3 – Committee asks for more time for evaluation

AI Challenge opens

Final AI Committee Meeting – select tool

Nov 2024

Jan 16, 2025

Late March 2025

May 16, 2025

Sept 26, 2024

Dec 5, 2024

Feb 26, 2025

April 14, 2025

May 20th

Pilot Begins - 40 teachers given year long accounts in both School AI and Magic School

Let's Connect for Community on AI

All staff given access to paid versions of both tools, unblocked for students

Collect final feedback

Executive Order

Summary

- **Teacher Training Grants:** The order directs the secretary of education to prioritize AI-related teacher training grants

- **AI Courses and Certification Programs:** The directive instructs the U.S. Education and Labor Departments to create opportunities for high school students to take AI courses and certification programs

- **Federal Grants and Research:** The Education Department is directed to prioritize the application of AI in discretionary grant programs for teacher training, while the National Science Foundation is to prioritize research on the use of AI in education

- **AI Apprenticeships:** The Labor Department is tasked with expanding AI-related apprenticeships

- **White House Task Force on AI Education:** The order establishes a task force chaired by Michael Kratsios, director of the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy, to develop a "Presidential AI Challenge" and establish public-private partnerships to provide resources for AI education in K-12 schools

Demo Time!

Magic School Highlights

- 80+ prebuilt chatbots for teachers
- 50+ Prebuilt but customizable chatbots for students
- Teacher insights and alerts into student history and attitudes with chat
- Data kept behind "walled garden"
- Student Data not shared – students interact through a code with a teacher-initiated room
- Ability to create and share district created chatbots
- AI Literacy lessons for students and PD for teachers
- Canvas integration
- District level analytics
- Ongoing additions and changes

School AI Highlights

- Pre-built Tools and Assistants for teachers
- 1000s of remixable and prebuilt chatbots for teachers
- Teacher insights and alerts into student history and attitudes with chat
- Data kept behind "walled garden"
- Student Data not shared – students interact through a code with a teacher-initiated space
- PD for teachers
- Canvas integration
- District level analytics
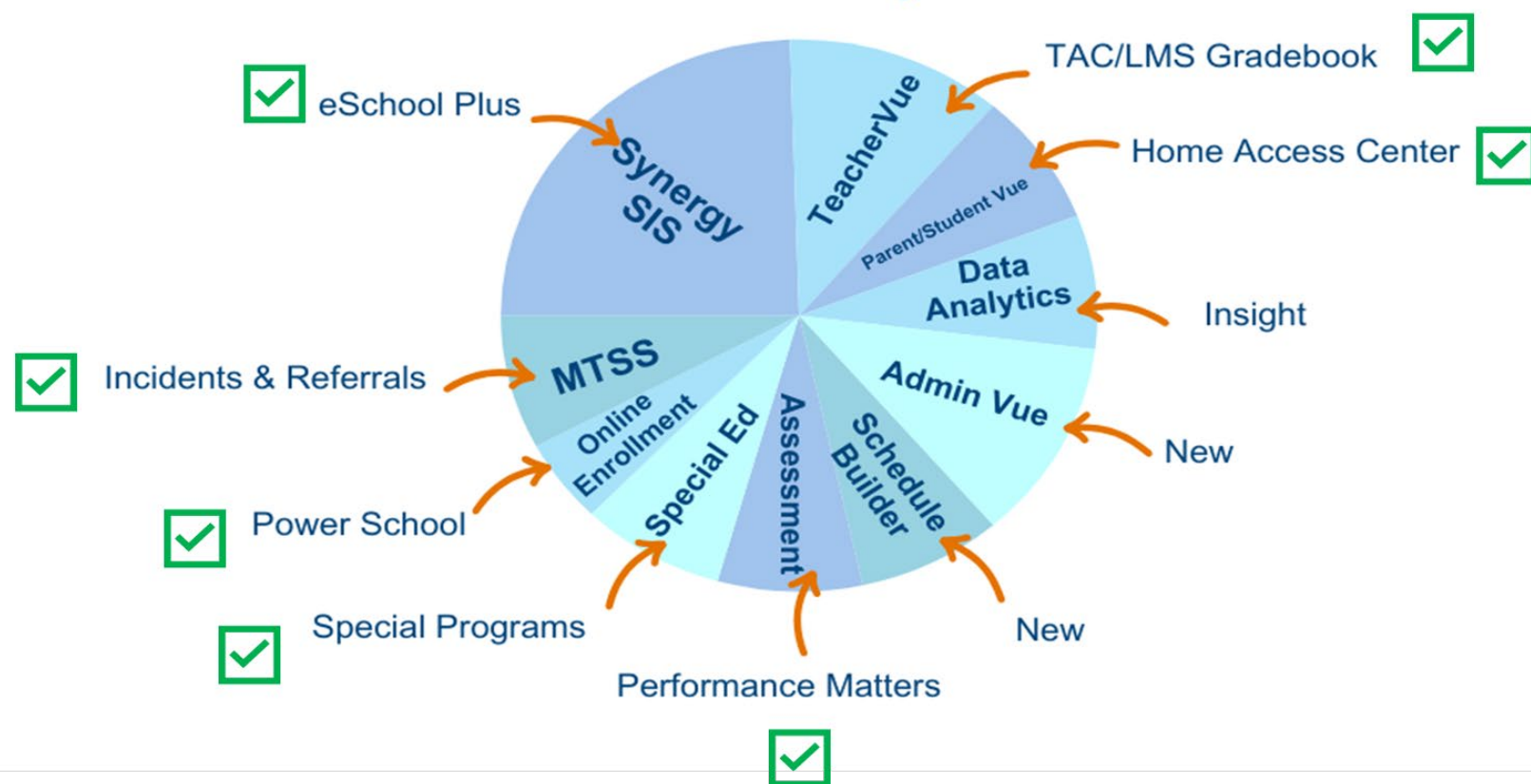- Ongoing additions and changes

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Education Platform

One Tool for Many Needs

TAC/LMS Gradebook ✅

eSchool Plus ✅

Home Access Center ✅

Synergy SIS

TeacherVue

Parent/Student Vue

Data Analytics

Insight

Incidents & Referrals ✅

MTSS

Admin Vue

New

Online Enrollment

Special Ed

Assessment

Schedule Builder

Power School ✅

New

Special Programs ✅

Performance Matters ✅

Synergy Project Update

Training Update

- Teacher Train the Trainer Event
  - 75+ elementary and secondary teachers trained on TeacherVUE, gradebook, assessment and MTSS

- SIS User Training- May 27th – June 18th
  - Live & Asynchronous courses

- Synergy Go Live- Mid-end of July

- Administrator Training- June 26 and July 28

- Summer Refresher Trainings
  - Refresher trainings offered right before contract start dates
  - Open office hours (Teams)- End of August and first few weeks of September

ParentVUE- HAC Replacement

REAL-TIME INFORMATION

Student information is only as helpful as it is current. That's why parents and students can count on always seeing up-to-the-minute information.

- Administrative Info

- Calendar

- Class Schedule

- Class Website Access

- Customizable Alerts

- Grades & Assessment Scores

ANYTIME, ANYWHERE ACCESS

The ParentVUE and StudentVUE portals keep parents and students connected 24/7, no matter where life takes them.

- Mobile Access (iOS & Android)

- Parents Need Just One Login to See All Children

- All Student Info in One Place, Even With Dual Enrollment

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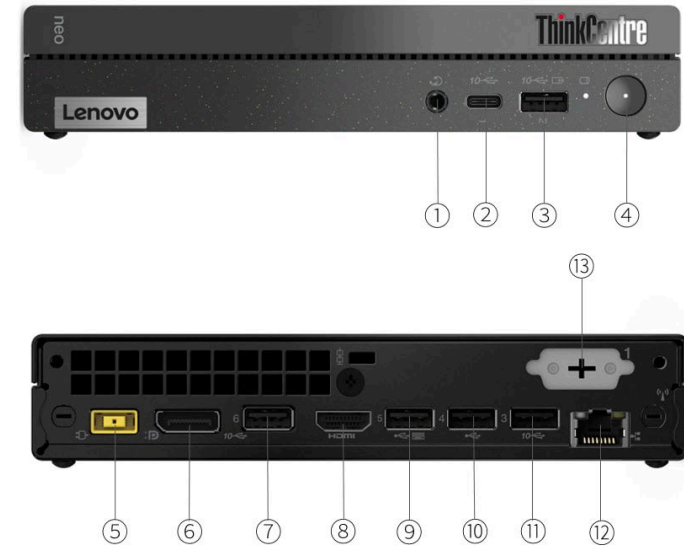
2022 Capital Levy

Project Status Updates

Feb-May 2025

Classroom Desktop Computers

- Purchased New Lenovo Neo 50 Q devices to replace existing Nanos (SIGNIFICANT UPGRADE).
- Timeline pushed up to accommodate changes in pricing due to tariff uncertainty
- Accommodates Windows 11 necessary update coming in October
- Installation beginning May/June
  - Document Cameras

District Office Desktop PCs

- Installation of new office PCs almost complete.
- Updated to newest generation of HP 900
- Includes CRC, School Offices, Operational Devices

Summer 2025

EHS/SHS Student Laptop Replacement
- Met with students to identify device needs, pros and cons of current devices
- Strong emphasis on needs of battery life, retain screen size, retain digital stylus
- Looking at two upcoming devices from HP and Lenovo, will bring to schools to get feedback as soon as they become available.
- Updating warranty practice to include battery swap

Certificated Staff Laptop Replacement- Early Fall 25
- Surveyed Staff to identify device needs, pros and cons of current devices.
- Similar themes to students, but requests for larger screen size.
- Looking at some different options from Lenovo and HP w/14" screens

Infrastructure and security/safety
- Replace network switches in Portables-Phase 1
- Replace network Firewall
- Emergency Operations Center updates

Capital Bond Planning Committee Update

Capital Bond
Technology Items

Data Center:
- CRAC unit
- Cooling equipment/piping changes
- Flywheel UPS

Schools:
- MDF and IDF refreshes
- Fiber between the CRC, Cascade HS and Heatherwood for redundancy
- Network access point switches
- Secondary voice amplification

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Meeting 3: March 27, 2025

- **Focus:** Understanding district facility needs; enrollment, capacities, aging facilities, system upgrades, safety/security, and bond planning cycle

- **Objective:** Preliminary processing of the list of capital needs to pare down to understand critical needs and costs

Site Tours: April 3, 2025
In-person observations of school facilities

- Cedarwood ES

- Tambark Creek ES

- Lowell ES

- Cascade HS

- Everett HS

FEAC Communications Feedback Survey

Construction bond topics most important to families

- Overcrowding/capacity
- Safety & security
- Aging buildings
- Impact on student learning

Anticipated questions about a future construction bond

- Financial impact on families
- Clarity on how tax dollars will be spent
- Understanding the "why" behind the bond

Upcoming Bond Committee Meetings and Focus

- Meeting 4 - April 24
  - Share out April 3 tour observations to develop facility priorities
- Community Feedback Events
  - April 30 at North MS
  - May 6 at Heatherwood MS
- Meeting 5 - May 15
  - Develop consensus of recommendation to superintendent

Technology Advisory Council 2025-26

Meeting Schedule:

Time: 4:30-6pm

When:

- October 23, 2025

- February 5, 2026

- April 30, 2026

Feedback is a gift

Technical Advisory Council - Feedback 2024-25

- https://forms.office.com/r/4Mnd7mv5qf

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