Hopkinton Public Schools Capital Article # 19

[Systemwide Technology Upgrades]

<u>Fast Facts</u>

• Why are System-wide Technology Upgrades being requested? This is part of a multi-year technology upgrade request that provides the necessary technology upgrades to keep the district current. This article represents the third year of implementation with an additional two years required for completion. This article will fund wireless access point upgrades at the Middle and Elmwood Schools.

• Why is now the right time to fund System-wide Technology Upgrades?

As more devices and technology demands are added to the daily instructional program, the need for additional access points has grown. We currently have a 1:1 environment at the Middle School and are moving towards a 1:1 environment at the Elmwood School resulting in connectivity concerns that can impact the teaching and learning environment. Given that the current technology plan has already been extended from a 3 year plan to a 5 year plan in response to budget constraints, it is recommended that we move forward with the project.

What is the cost of the proposed System-wide Technology
Upgrades?

The total cost of the article is 70,000.

• What is the impact to the school district if this Article does not pass?

If this article does not pass, access to technology will be impacted. As we continue to add devices at various schools, increased access points are necessary to support the additional devices.

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