Technology Coordinator
Report to the Pittsville School District Board of Education
Monday, March 9, 2020

E-rate – I have filed the E-rate forms to apply for funding for the possible expansion of our computer network into the new CTE facility. I now need to wait for bids to come back from interested vendors to supply the material and installation services.

Chromebook & Computer Purchases – I am talking with vendors about possible impacts of the Coronavirus and supplies of Chromebooks and computers this summer, when we usually make our purchases of new and replacement products. We may want to place orders for some those products sooner rather than waiting until the summer.

Chromebook Tablets for ELL Students – With the influx of our Spanish-speaking students we purchased 4 Acer Tab10 Chromebook tablets so that they can use them to translates text and even live conversations in the classroom. The tablets have been setup and distributed to the students in grades 6, 4, and 2, and are already assisting them with their communications and learning.

Testing – As we approach the testing season I am preparing to get the servers, Chromebooks and computers ready for testing. This includes the Forward Exam, DLM, ACT Aspire, and AIMSWEB, all of which are done electronically, and all of which require a degree of setup of servers and computers on my part. In some ways it is nice to get all of them done at once, but in other ways it can be taxing for me to get all these various tests up and running at once.