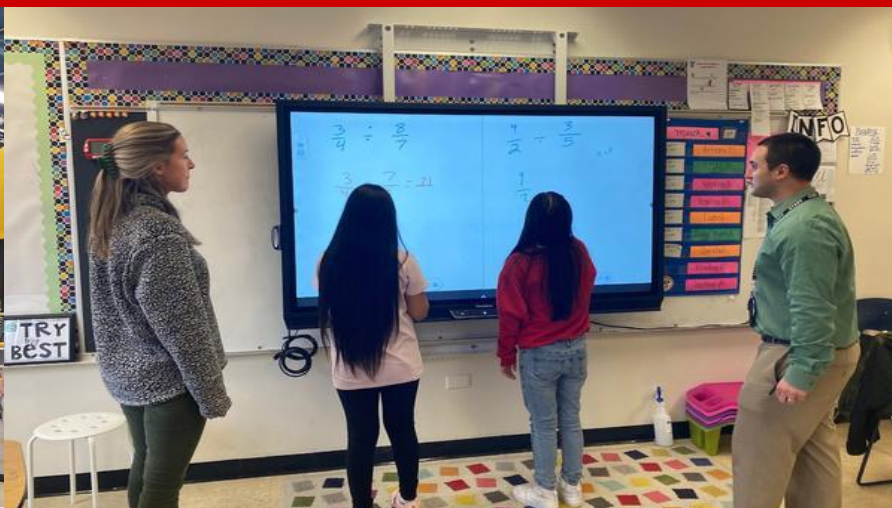# Peekskill City School District

Educational Technology
Proposed Budget 2025-2026

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Peekskill's Promise

Our Mission is to educate and empower all students to strive for excellence as life-long learners who embrace diversity and are contributing members of a global society.

Rigorous PreK-12 Aligned and Culturally Responsive Academics

Robust Literacy and STEAM Opportunities

Whole-Child Commitment

Enrichment Experiences For All

Powerful Parent, Family and Community Partnerships

Technology Vision

Our vision is to integrate technology as we educate and empower all members of the Peekskill City Schools District community to strive for excellence as lifelong learners who embrace diversity and are contributing members of a global society.

Technology Department Functions

Data Privacy

Network Infrastructure

Cybersecurity

Instructional Software

Non-instructional Software

Telecommunications

User Devices and Peripherals

Professional Learning

Data Management

End User Support

Technology Department Functions

Data Privacy

- Develop and implement data protection policies
- **Ensure and Maintain NYSED EdLaw2D Compliance**
- Conduct regular audits to ensure compliance with privacy laws
- **Provide training for staff on data handling and privacy best practices**

Network Infrastructure

- Maintain reliable and scalable network systems
- Deploy and manage wireless access points for **enhanced connectivity**
- Monitor network performance and troubleshoot issues

Cybersecurity

- Establish security protocols to protect against breaches
- Regularly update security software and firewalls
- **Conduct cybersecurity training and awareness programs**

Technology Department Functions

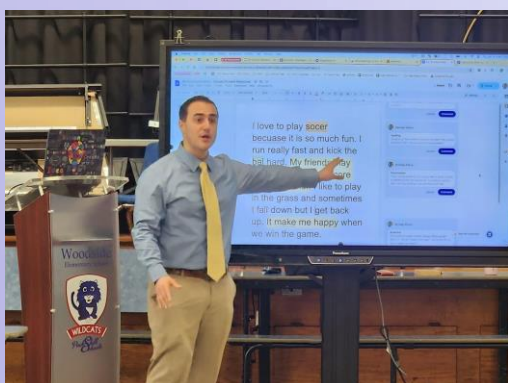|	
Instructional Software	• Evaluate and purchase educational software tools • Provide training and support for teachers on software usage. • **Monitor software usage**
Non-instructional Software	• Manage software for administrative and operational functions • Ensure software compliance with licensing agreements
Telecommunications	• Oversee the installation and maintenance of telecommunication systems. • Ensure reliable communication systems for all departments.

Technology Department Functions
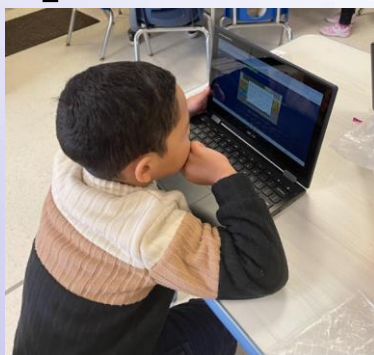
User Devices and Peripherals	• Manage inventory of devices and peripherals (e.g., **1-to-1 Chromebooks**, Promethean Boards) • Coordinate device distribution, replacement and maintenance schedules • Provide training on proper use and care of devices
Professional Learning	• Offer workshops and training sessions for staff on technology • Share best practices on uses of technology tools • Provide resources for continuous learning and development in technology

Technology Department Functions

Data Management	● Ensure accurate and timely submission of NYSED state reporting data, including student information and performance metrics ● Implement systems for efficient data collection and analysis ● Develop reporting tools for data-driven decision making
End User Support	● Provide troubleshooting and technical support via help desk ● Create user guides and resources for common issues ● Gather feedback to improve support services and user experience ● Support and provide training students and guardians on various applications

Technology Department Staff

Instructional Support
Staff Professional Development
Parent/Student Support

Instructional Technology Coach

Technology Teaching Assistant for Elementary

Technology Teaching Assistant for Secondary

Network and Hardware Support

Network Operations Manager, EduTEK

Network Engineers, EduTEK (2)

Network Specialist, BOCES LHRIC

Data and State Reporting

Database Specialist

Data Analyst

Instructional Technology Coach

2024-2025

- **Headset systems for ENL, ICT and Reading Small Groups**
- **Infrastructure Upgrades**
  - **Upgraded Core and Data Switches at the Middle School, Hillcrest, Oakside, Woodside and Uriah Hill**
  - **New Wireless Access Points installed at the High School, Middle School, Hillcrest, Oakside, and Uriah Hill**
  - **Installed a new Firewall**
- **Increase Bandwidth**
- **Cybersecurity**
 - **Continued training**
  - **Continued documentation**

2024-2025

- Supported the continued use of Drones and other STEAM Initiatives
- Assisted with the introduction and implementation of VR Headsets
- Pilots
  - Artificial Intelligence (AI) tools
  - Assessment Tools
  - Electronic Pass System
  - Typing program
- Chromebooks
  - Insurance offered to families
  - Piloted a Chromebook repair company
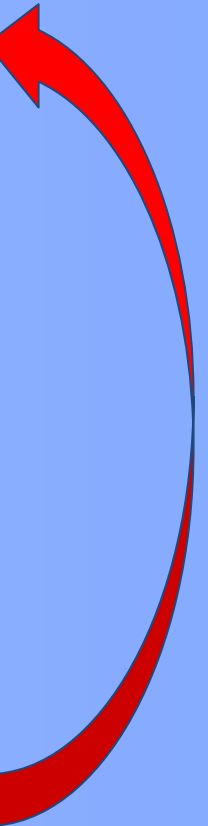- Installed new copiers

2025-2026

- **New website and communication tool**
- **Infrastructure Upgrades**
  - **Upgraded Core and Data Switches at the District Office and High School**
  - **New Wireless Access Points installed at the District Office and Woodside**
- **Artificial Intelligence (AI)**
  - **Establish Guidelines, Protocols and Policies for using AI**
  - **Establish which AI tools the district approves**
- **Support additional school with Computer-based testing**
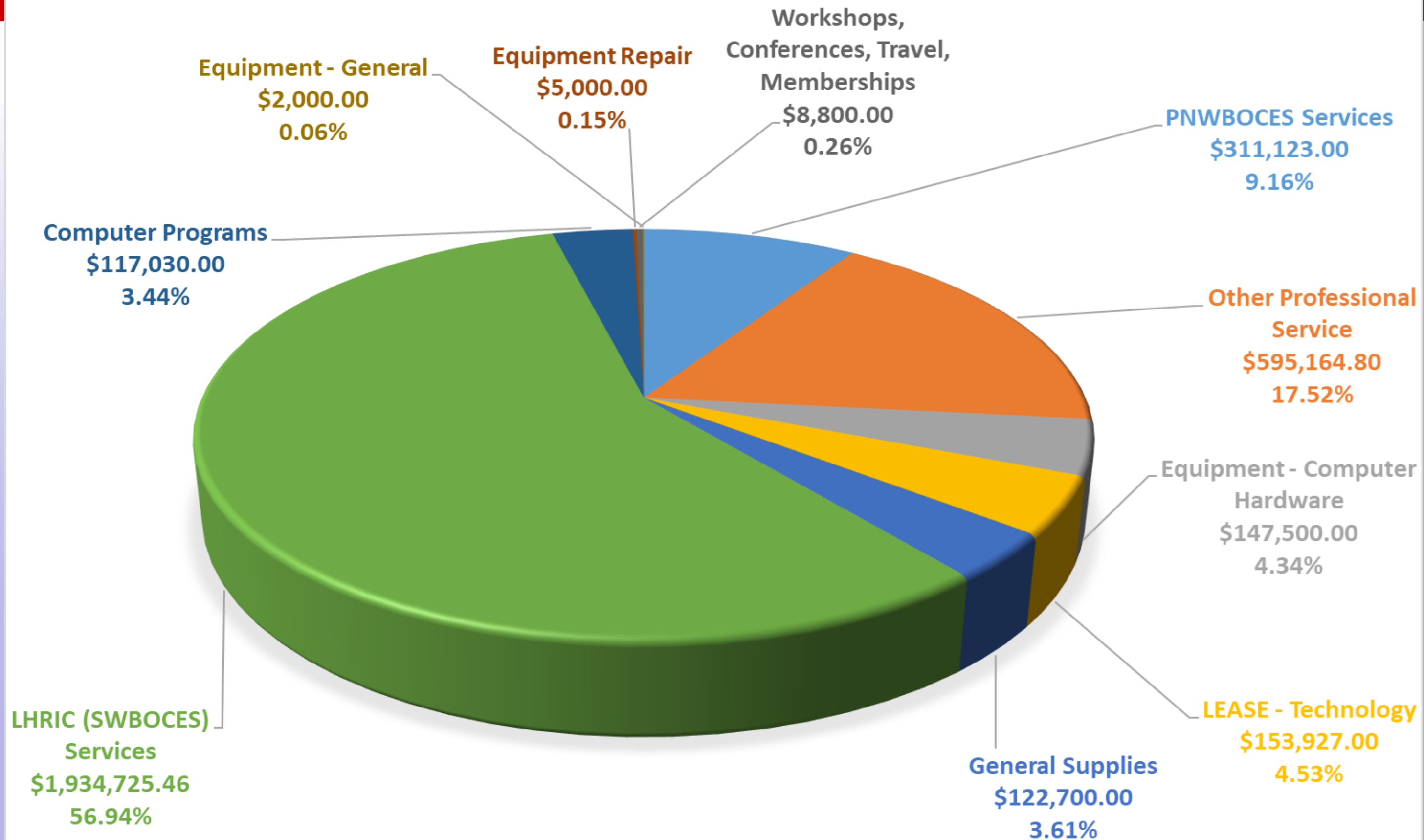- **Establish a Cybersecurity Goverance Committee**
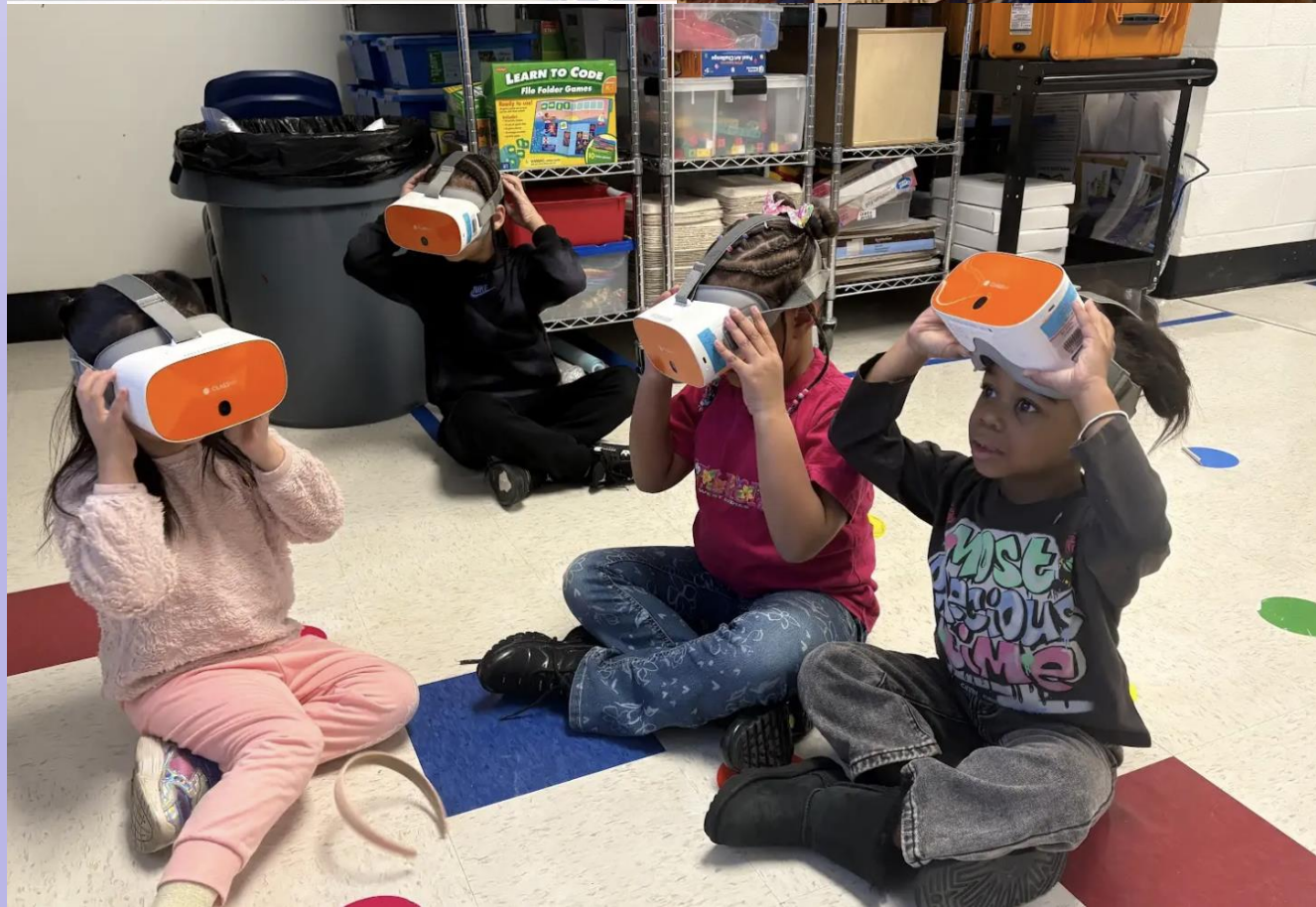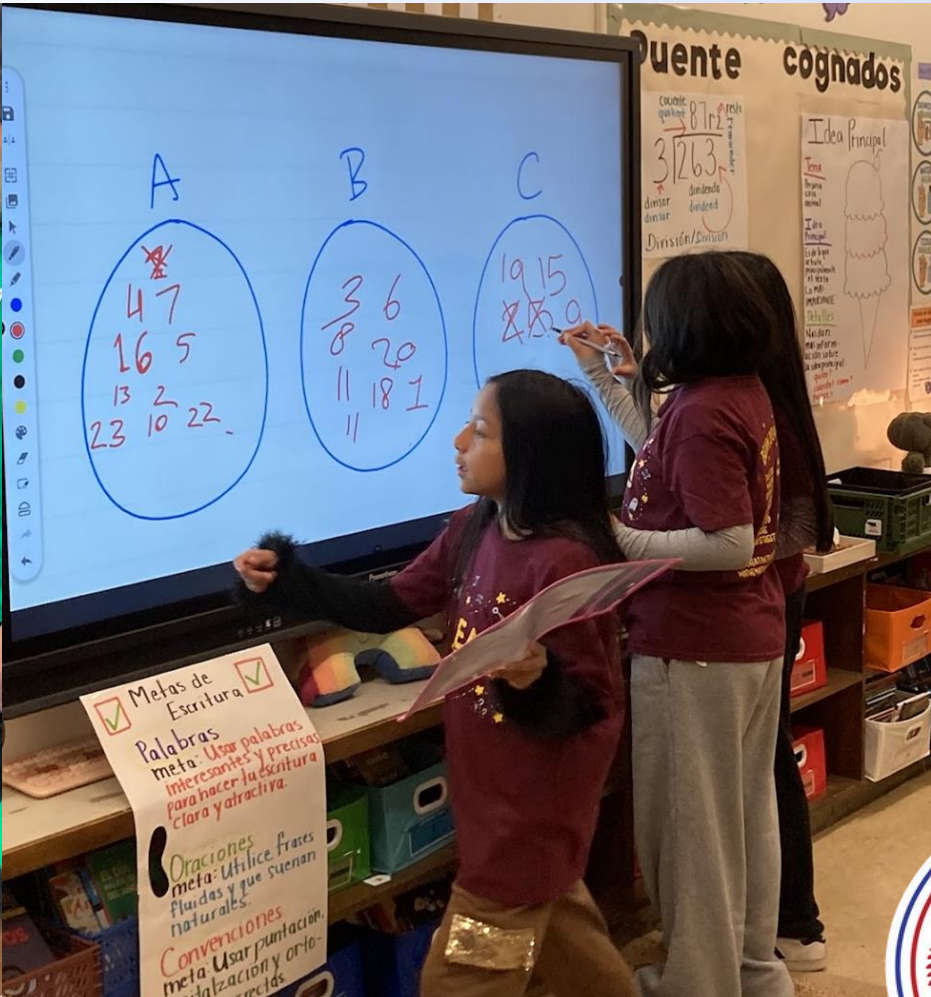- **Computer Replacement**
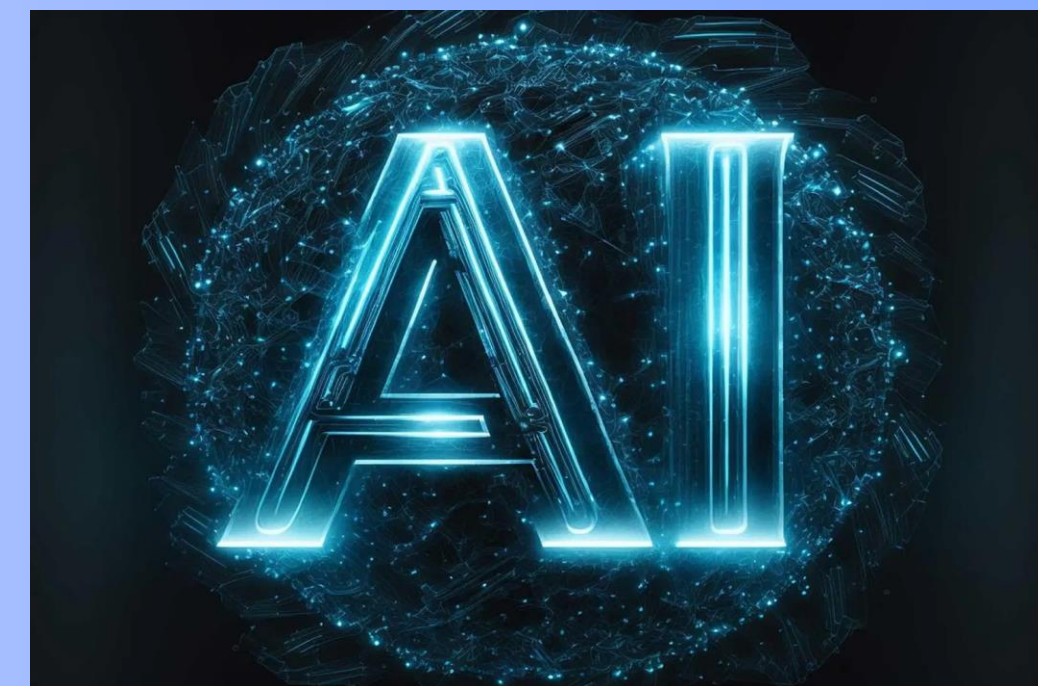
Proposed Budget

Budget Line	2024-2025	2025-2026	$ Increase/ Decrease	% Increase/ Decrease
PNWBOCES Services	$100,216.00	$311,123.00	$210,907.00	210.45%
Other Professional Service	$628,236.00	$595,164.80	-$33,071.20	-5.26%
Equipment - Computer Hardware	$128,500.00	$147,500.00	$19,000.00	14.79%
LEASE - Technology	$148,068.00	$153,927.00	$5,859.00	4.00%
General Supplies	$177,847.42	$122,700.00	-$55,147.42	-31.00%
LHRIC (SWBOCES) Services	$2,203,708.00	$1,934,725.46	-$268,982.54	-12.21%
Computer Programs	$158,121.00	$117,030.00	-$41,091.00	-25.98%
Equipment Repair	$6,500.00	$5,000.00	-$1,500.00	-23.08%
Workshops, Conferences, Travel, Memberships	$6,550.00	$8,800.00	$2,250.00	34.35%
Equipment - General	$1,000.00	$2,000.00	$1,000.00	100.00%
	$3,558,746.42	**$3,397,970.26**	**-$160,776.16**	**-4.52%**

Component Breakdown

Equipment - General
$2,000.00
0.06%

Equipment Repair
$5,000.00
0.15%

Workshops,
Conferences, Travel,
Memberships
$8,800.00
0.26%

PNWBOCES Services
$311,123.00
9.16%

Computer Programs
$117,030.00
3.44%

Other Professional
Service
$595,164.80
17.52%

Equipment - Computer
Hardware
$147,500.00
4.34%

LEASE - Technology
$153,927.00
4.53%

General Supplies
$122,700.00
3.61%

LHRIC (SWBOCES)
Services
$1,934,725.46
56.94%

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