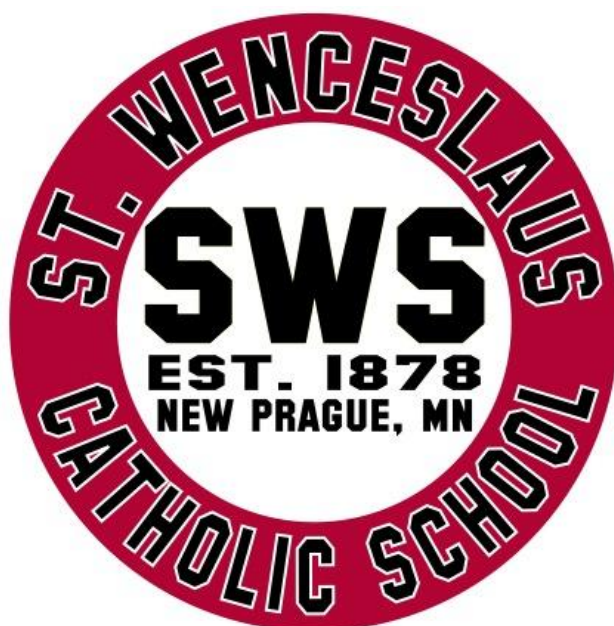


St. Wenceslaus Catholic School



Annual School Report
2017-2018

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Mission Statement

St. Wenceslaus Catholic School is a family-centered faith community, committed to the intellectual and spiritual formation of our students. We provide a high quality academic program that builds leadership and self-confidence while nurturing a loving relationship with God and encouraging service to others.

Philosophy

St. Wenceslaus Catholic School intentionally promotes a family-centered atmosphere. We create opportunities for students to build relationships with each other and for families to connect with the school community.

Faith is the foundation of our mission. It is the guiding force of our school's purpose and existence. We work to develop a relationship with God through participation in the rich traditions of our Catholic Church. We teach our student to have compassion and empathy for the needs of others and facilitate activities that cultivate a serving heart.

Our academic goal is to ignite the intellectual potential of each student. Academics are tailored to meet each student's needs and maximize their learning opportunities. Our school challenges and supports students to reach beyond their level of comfort so that they may become confident leaders and learners.

St. Wenceslaus School Personnel

Administration

Father Kevin Clinton	Pastor
Kim Doyle	Principal
Sherry Hartman	Administrative Assistant
Joan May	Technologist
Leah Zvanovec	School Marketing

Faculty

Dawn Biren	4th Grade
Jolene Busch	Preschool Director/Lead Teacher
Ann Christy	5th Grade
Katherine Gorr	Music
Jane Jeffrey	2nd Grade
Jill McBroom	7th Grade Homeroom (Math and Science 6-8)
Jennifer Rosen	3rd Grade
Lisa Schneider	Kindergarten
Jamie Schoenbauer	8th Grade Homeroom (Social Studies/English/Literature 7-8)
Tammy Sirek	Preschool
Becky Smisek	5th Grade
Annette Stavos	Preschool/Library
Mike Tschimperle	Physical Education
Jennifer Wetschka	1st Grade
Leah Zvanovec	Art/Religion
Becky Zwirner	6th Grade (Math and Science 6-8)

Support Staff

Jessica Alladin	Counselor
Jessica Bohnsack	Clubhouse Director
Sandy Gallagher	Band
Sarah Gullickson	Preschool Aide
Elaine Harty	Support Teacher
Hannah Klegstad	Special Education (Dist. 721)
Kathy McNamara	Support Teacher
Kelly Moeding	Title 1 (Dist. 271)
Rhonda Pauly	Health Aide (Dist. 721)
Theresa Radermacher	Instructional Aide
Annie Schmitz	Preschool Aide
Linda Smisek	Instructional Aide

Kitchen

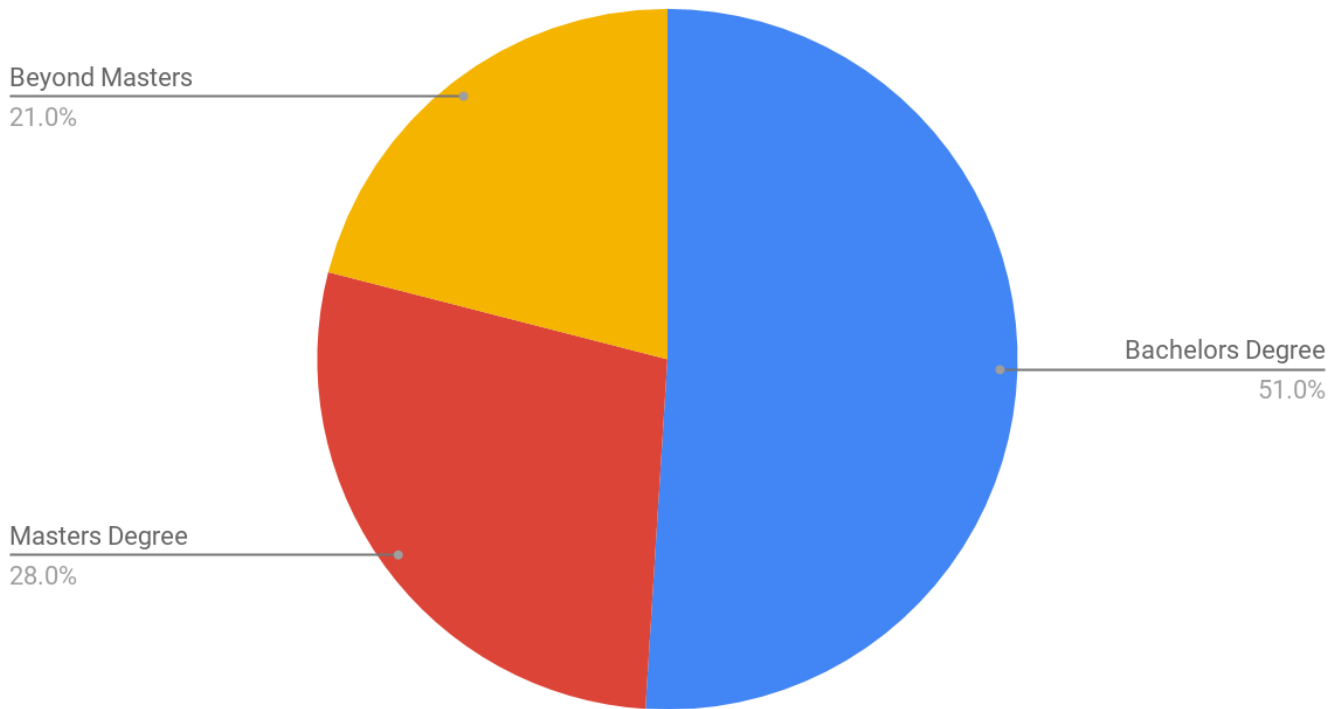
Nancy Moulton	Cook
Hedi Pelowski	Cook
Mary Wick	Head Cook/Director of Food Services

Maintenance

Pete Kartak	Custodian
Steve Schmitz	Head of Maintenance

St. Wenceslaus School Professional Staff Education Level 2017/2018

Professional Degrees



St. Wenceslaus Catholic School - History of Enrollment

	08-09	09-10	10-11	11-12	12-13	13-14	14-15	15-16	16-17	17-18
K- 8 students	305	270	252	241	225	225	195	178	194	194
Korean Students added	+ 9 Korean	+ 11 Korean	+8 Korean	+10 Korean	+8 Korean	+6 Korean	+1 Korean	+1 Korean	0	0
Preschool Added	+18 PreK	+36 PreK	+50 PreK	+39 PreK	+51 PreK	+46 PreK	+34 PreK	56	48	42
PreK-8 Total Students	332	317	310	290	284	277	230	235	243	236

Curriculum and Instruction

St. Wenceslaus School provides an excellent opportunity for spiritual, academic and social growth for children from preschool through grade eight. We welcome children of all religious backgrounds. Students from surrounding parishes without a Catholic school are welcome at St. Wenceslaus.

Our School, established in 1878, serves 235 area students. The average class size is 18 students. The school has 13 regular classrooms, as well as classrooms for art, physical education, library and computer. We also have a fully operational preschool program with 3 separate class sections and a daycare program for preschoolers and for school age children.

The school day begins at 7:45 AM and ends at 2:30 PM for students in kindergarten through grade 8. Preschool sessions are held in the morning between 8:00 and Noon. The daycare is open from 7:00 am to 8:00 am and then again from 11:00 am to 5:30 pm every school day. Care is also available on non-school/vacation days from 7:00 am to 5:30 pm.

St. Wenceslaus School is fully accredited in the State of Minnesota through the Minnesota Nonpublic School Accreditation Association (MNSAA) for kindergarten through grade 8. In addition, our preschool program is licensed by the Minnesota Department of Education.

Curriculum Areas

- Religion
 - Language Arts
 - Mathematics
 - Science
 - Social Studies
 - Art
 - Music
 - Physical Education
 - Technology
 - Performing Arts
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Middle School

St. Wenceslaus School's middle school program begins in 6th grade. Middle school students are exposed to a wide variety of academic and enrichment experiences. Teachers work in specialized curricular areas. Band is an option the students can choose. Students are placed in elective courses for one period per day. These elective classes meet the various interests of the students.

Elective Courses - Grades 6-8

- Film Making
 - Team Sports
 - Robotics
 - Foods
 - Pottery
 - Strategy Games
 - Girls Choir
 - Yearbook
 - Needlecraft
 - Boys Choir
 - War/Boot Camp
 - Math Help 8
 - Math Help 7
 - Robots
 - Book Club
 - Second quarter is PA and MN History
 - Art
 - Books/Movies
 - Foods
 - Boys Sports
 - Math 8
 - Girls Sports
 - Photo Tech
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Co-Curricular Activities

St. Wenceslaus school offers co-curricular activities. Students in 6-8th grade can also participate in co-curricular activities at New Prague Middle School.

Co-curricular activities offered at St. Wenceslaus School:

- Girls Volleyball
- Girls Basketball
- Boys Basketball
- Geography Bee
- Spelling Bee
- STEM Competition
- Lego League Competition
- Regional Science Fair
- Math league

Buddies and School Family Groups

Students learn to work with each other as a school community with the buddy program. Various grades pair up together for a variety of activities each year. For example, students in grades 4-6 help in the preschool with a special game day.

Family groups have been a highlight with the students. The eighth grade students are the leaders of the family groups and there are students from every grade level in each family. These multi-age groups work on projects together really solidifying the community atmosphere.

Little Saints Preschool

St. Wenceslaus School preschool program serves 42 students ages 3-5. Students who are one year away from attending kindergarten are in the 4-5 class called Pre-Kindergarten. Pre-K students attend on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. These students also have the option to come Tuesday and Thursday for Pre- K STEM class. There are two sections of Pre-kindergarten.

Students in the 3-4 year old program attend on Tuesday and Thursdays. Little Saints is fully licensed through the Minnesota Department of Human Services.

Clubhouse Extended Daycare Program

Students who are in need of daycare before or after school hours attend the clubhouse program. Clubhouse is open from 7:00 - 8:00 am daily and then from 11:00 am - 5:30 pm. Clubhouse is open on non-school days such as conferences/workshop days as long as enrollment is at a minimum of 7 children. Clubhouse is a safe and affordable program to meet the needs of the working school families.

Special Services

As part of our philosophy, St. Wenceslaus School is committed to meeting the academic, social, and emotional needs of students. We work with the special services team from New Prague Public Schools to assess and serve special learning needs of students. The classroom teacher is also responsible for implementing accommodations and supporting individual learner needs to the best of their ability.

- ❑ Special Education Services and Speech/Language Services (IEP)
 - ❑ 504 Plans
 - ❑ Intervention Plans
 - ❑ Title 1
 - ❑ Counseling
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Assessment

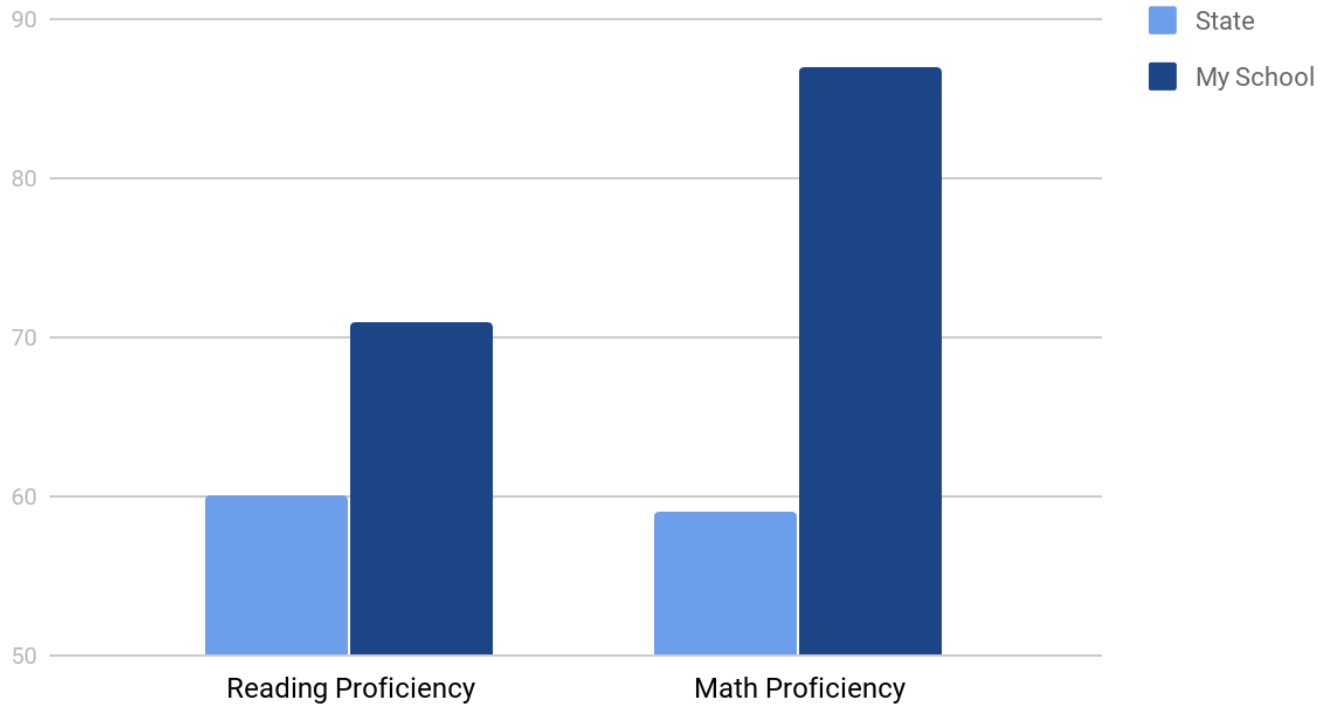
St. Wenceslaus School believes an effective assessment system motivates students to learn, communicates with stakeholders, promotes school improvement, guides instructional decisions, and shares a common vision. Assessment tools and practices are varied, ongoing, authentic, and aligned with specific learning targets. Regular and descriptive feedback is provided to students, and all stakeholders, to positively promote learning. Assessments are used to understand and positively motivate the students as an individual learner. Information gathered is used to understand the relationship between the learner and his/her progress toward achieving learning targets

NWEA Testing (MAP- Measures of Academic Progress)

Students in grades kindergarten through 8 are tested 2-3 times during the school year. This test measures academic progress and is used to give individual student information to parents and teachers. The tests measure student progress and growth from one test to the next. This test is used to evaluate the school curriculum, the particular needs of an individual, class, or a need of the entire school.

NWEA Tests taken are in Fall, Winter, Spring.

Spring 2017



2017-2018 Tuition

Kindergarten (Full-time) - Grade 8	\$4095	Preschool Pre-Kindergarten M/W/F	\$1710
Kindergarten (Part-time) MWF	\$3095	3-4 Year Old Program T/Th	\$1080
Korean Exchange Student	\$5565	Pre-K Stem Add-on Tues.	\$2295
		Pre-K Stem Add-on Tues./Thurs.	\$2880

Fundraising

Required Fundraisers

- ❖ Marathon - Sat., September 30 - \$150 per child K-8 \$50 preschool
- ❖ Sweepstakes - Tues., Dec. 5 - \$300 per family K-8 \$50 per preschool
- ❖ Fish Fry - March 9 - 10 ticket per K-8 family 5 tickets per preschool

Optional Fundraisers

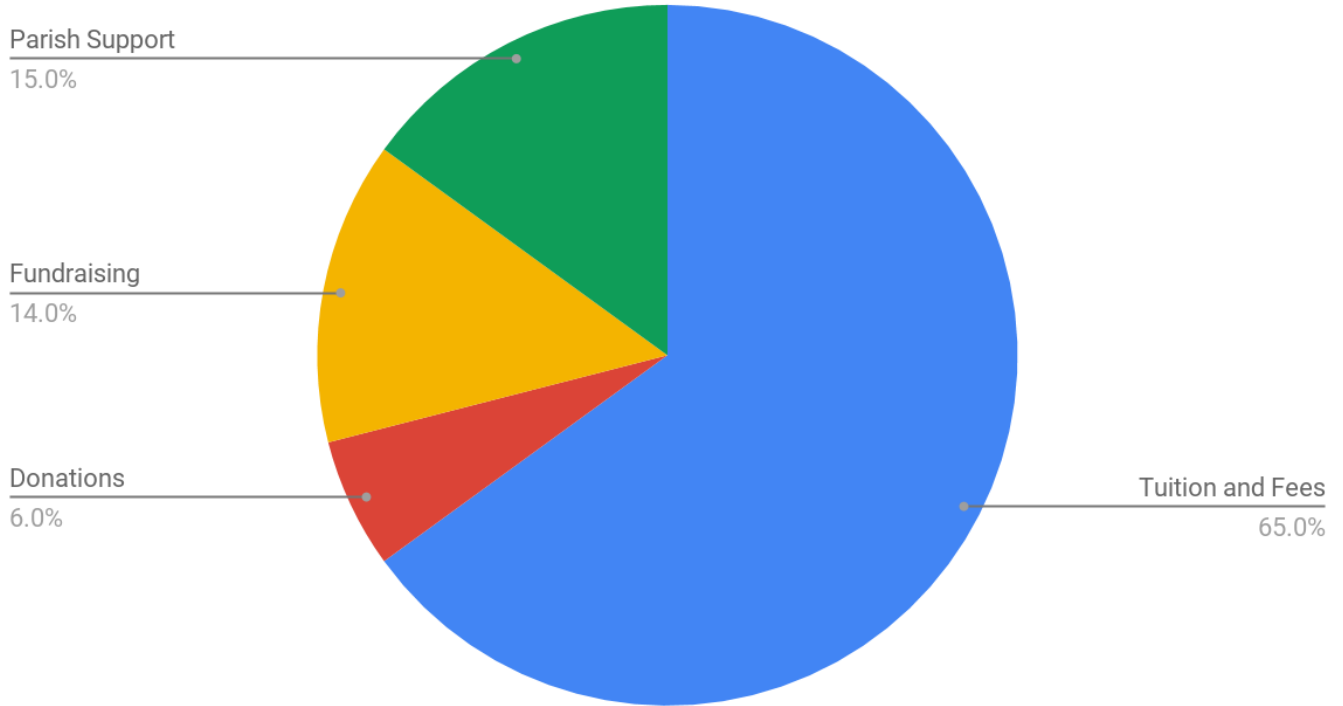
- ❖ Handmade Market - Sat. Oct. 28
- ❖ Ice Fishing Contest - Sat. Jan 27 \$25 per family in tickets to sell
- ❖ School Auction and Dinner Event - Sat. April 14 One item for the class basket
- ❖ Golf Tournament - Fri., June 8

Financial Aid

St. Wenceslaus School is committed to making our school financially accessible to everyone. Parents who wish to apply for financial assistance can fill out the online application for financial aid through TADS (Tuition Assistance Data Services). All financial aid information is processed by TADS and is strictly confidential.

School Operating Budget

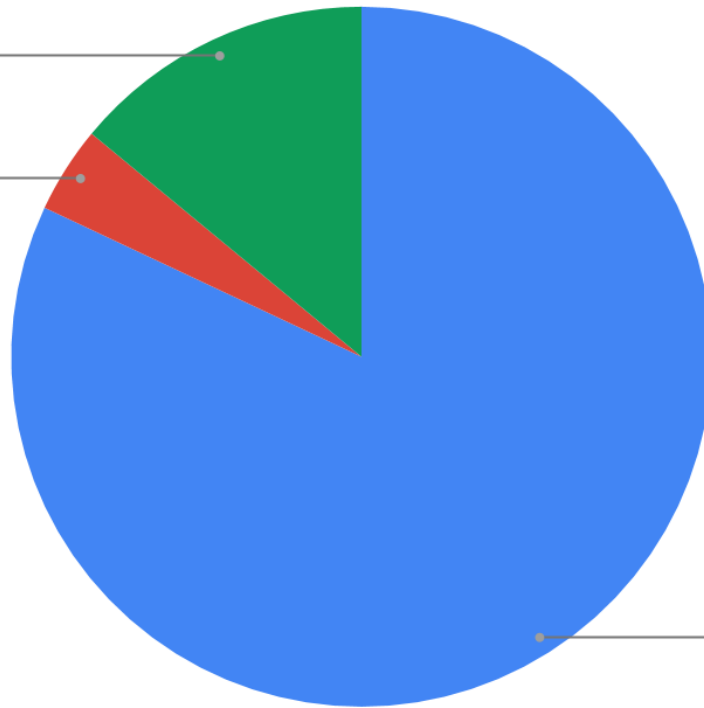
Operating Program Income



Operating Program Expenses

Building Expenses
14.0%

Program Expenses
4.0%



Salaries and Benefits
82.0%



SWS Goals for the 2017-2018 School Year

1. Our school curriculum will provide a relevant experience for our 21st Century learners.

- Infuse STEM education into the curriculum.
 - A mentoring program will be set up for STEM certified teachers to team up those who are not certified to share STEM techniques and knowledge.
 - Staff members will be given opportunities for new and ongoing STEM professional development.
 - A STEM education/information evening will be developed to keep parents informed of STEM skills taught in the school.

- Develop the faith of our students at a deeper level.
 - The IFG self-assessment/ACRE test will be incorporated into the annual evaluation of faith development for staff and students.

- Review curriculum standards for quality programming.
 - Teachers will update and coordinate curriculum standards across grade levels using assessment data as a guideline.
 - Testing will be reviewed to ensure the best measures of student growth.
 - Teachers will meet one-on-one with students to set personal goals.

- Develop the students into responsible citizens through the curriculum.
 - Encourage environmentally conscious citizens through Laudato Si and other programs.

2. Our school will meet diverse needs of all learners.

- Determine individualized plans for struggling students.
 - Teachers will develop a formalized process to consistently communicate the needs of struggling students during a school year and from year to year. Plans will be distributed during workshop week.
 - A consistent method to communicate with parents about the needs of struggling students will be developed.

- Provide additional resources to help meet the needs of students.

- Staff members will participate in training on how to make accommodations for students with special needs.
- Provide competent special education staff to meet the needs of special education students at the middle school level.
- Add additional programs to the school to meet the diverse interests of the students.
 - A STEM lab and Genius Hour will be added for use within our STEM focus areas.

3. St. Wenceslaus School will attract students and benefactors to our school community.

- Develop a plan to increase enrollment.
 - The strengths of the school will be promoted by improving social media communication.
 - A formalized procedure for school tours will be developed.
 - A professional marketing video will be developed.
- Formulate and institute an alumni outreach plan.
 - Recruitment of additional alumni to serve on alumni/endowment board of directors.
- Formulate and institute an outreach plan to all stakeholders and other benefactors.
 - An annual written report to stakeholders will be provided on the school website.
- Create a plan to revise and manage school website.
 - Compare other school websites from the Archdiocese.
 - Explore possible website development from a professional web builder.

4. Administrative structures will ensure that SWS is a growing and thriving school community for future generations of students.

- Increase active planning by the School Advisory Council .
 - Annual orientation sessions will be attended by SAC members.

- Subcommittees of the SAC will set goals for committee involvement and future directions.
- Parents will be informed of SAC activities and goals.
- Provide professional development opportunities for staff.
 - School staff will conduct productive annual reviews based on goals for growth.
 - Peer professional learning communities will be prioritized in the weekly schedule.
 - Teachers will develop professional goals for improvement and action plans for self-improvement.

5. The school will have a visionary technology plan.

- Sustain and refresh current technology and equipment.
 - A five year plan will be developed pinpointing which pieces of equipment will be scheduled for refresh along a five year timeline.
 - Develop financial sources for new and emerging technologies.
 - STEM lab and ZSpace will be incorporated into the school.
 - Train staff in areas of new technology.
 - STEM teachers will mentor other staff members.
 - Staff will participate in continuing education as available through CSCOE, Tierney Bros, the local school district and others.
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