

Sparta Area School District

Article 331 - District Technology Review

The Sparta Area School Board recognizes the importance of computer technology in education. The Board also understands the need to invest its limited resources carefully in hardware and software that is researched based, has wide application, is compatible with our current system, is sustainable, and provides a measure of consistency and equity across the District.

The Superintendent will establish and maintain a District Technology Review Committee comprised of administration, staff, and community representatives to review and recommend the purchase of all software, hardware and peripheral devices to be utilized within the District, independent of the funding source. The Board of Education and the superintendent as an agent of the Board retain final decision making authority over District acquisition and purchases.

The committee will meet every other month, or as needed.

The Technology Review Committee will develop guidelines to aid in decision-making. Examples of guidelines to be considered are:

1. Does the proposed purchase fulfill a perceived need within the District?
2. Is the proposed purchase technologically compatible with our current overall system, including our operating systems, network, bandwidth, and other considerations?
3. Is the proposed purchase a justifiable expansion of hardware/software that is sustainable in the future?
4. Are there appropriate funds for the initial purchase and plans for ongoing associated costs?
5. Are there plans for implementation, including appropriate staff training and designated hardware?

Legal Reference:

Cross Reference: Administrative Rule 331 - District Technology Review

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