



- Technology Condition Survey Report
- 10-Year Comprehensive Technology Roadmap

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# RCDD Approval

As described in *Codes and Standards* (pg. 8), MasterLibrary Professional Services follows all standards published by BICSI, the telecom industry trade association that certifies Registered Communication Distribution Designers (RCDDs).

ML Pro Services has two full-time staff RCDDs, one of which has reviewed this report for BICSI standards compliance and certifies that the content contained herein is accurate and compliant.

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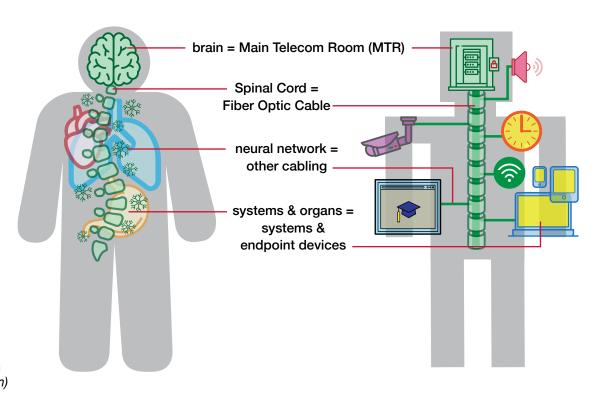
# Preface: An Overview of K12 Technology Systems

## Technology Infrastructure is a building's nervous system

If a building was a person, its technology infrastructure would be the nervous system.

In the human body, the brain sits atop a complex neural network that passes data to and from the body's various systems such as respiratory, circulatory, digestive, etc.

In a building, the Main Telecom Room (MTR) sits atop a complex network of fiber and cables that pass data to and from the structure's various systems such as Communications, Instructional, Security, and Life Safety.



# K12 Technology System Examples (Parent System)



Main Telecomm Room (MTR) (Infrastructure)



PA Speaker (Communications)



Master Clock (Communications)



Wireless Access (Connectivity)



Video Surveillance (Security)



Interactive Displays (Instructional)



Desktops, laptops, and tablets (Computing Devices)

#### Today's buildings run on data

In addition to inter-system connectivity, the body's neural network allows a seemingly endless stream of data to pass through the brain. The brain automatically filters extraneous data—"noise"—to allow the person to concentrate on complex task such as walking and chewing gum at the same time.

In much the same way, most all of a building's systems and devices pass data to and from the MTR via a district's Internet Protocol (IP)-based backbone. The MTR processes the data using hardware and software to make informed decisions that improve daily operations and extend the usable lives of building systems.

Like the human nervous system, a building's technology infrastructure (Telecom Rooms, cables, and networks) passes precisely controlled low-voltage electrical signals via the MTR (brain) to and from systems such as:

- Communications (public address, master clock)
- Instructional (interactive displays and classroom audio), and;
- Security (video surveillance, access control, emergency lockdown).

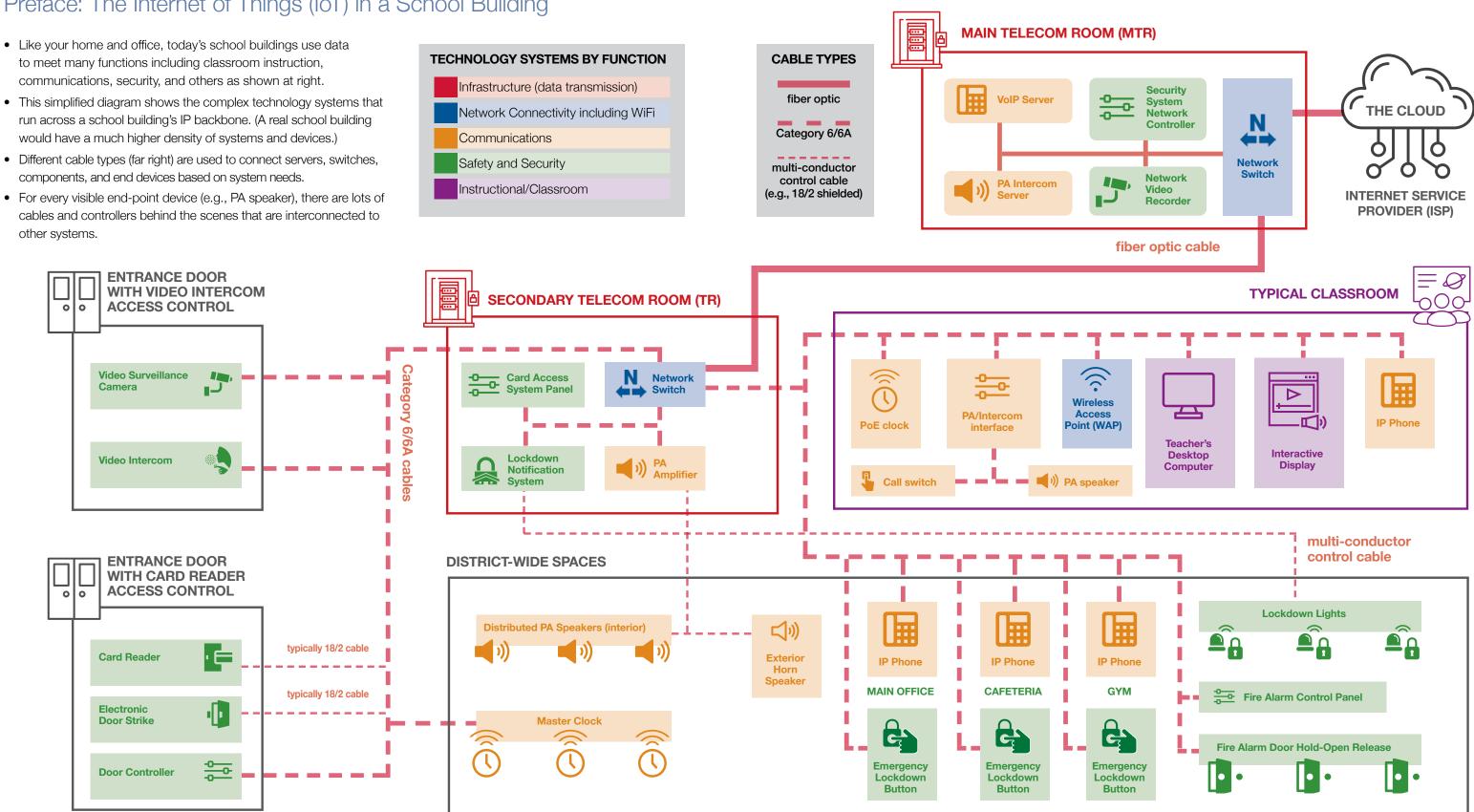
This allows the MTR of a building to monitor and control all its systems, and act according to real-time data.

The diagram on the next page shows the complexity and interconnectedness of major technology systems, subsystems, and end-point devices in a school building.

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# Preface: The Internet of Things (IoT) in a School Building

- Like your home and office, today's school buildings use data to meet many functions including classroom instruction, communications, security, and others as shown at right.
- run across a school building's IP backbone. (A real school building would have a much higher density of systems and devices.)
- components, and end devices based on system needs.
- For every visible end-point device (e.g., PA speaker), there are lots of cables and controllers behind the scenes that are interconnected to other systems.



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# Preface: Telecom Rooms (TRs)

# 13 factors that influence Telecom Room performance

You may know them as MDFs, IDFs, or some other acronym. Whatever you call them, the spaces dedicated to housing IT equipment are among the most important in your district to maintain digital connectivity among and between IP-based systems including security, life safety, instructional, and wireless access.

If your district's Telecommunications Rooms (TRs) are in disarray, there's a good chance that critical infrastructure behind the ceilings and walls—cables and pathways—is in equally poor shape.

These conditions can also cause operational issues (e.g., intermittent errors) with existing and newly installed technology systems.

# What makes a poor TR bad...

- Room size and inadequate rack clearances inhibit serviceability.
- Overhead utility pipes leave racks susceptible to damage from leaks/bursts.
- **Location** lacks direct hallway access and the Serving Zone distance is greater than 300'.
- Unsecured, shared space creates a life safety and security risk as well as causing possible accidental damage.
- No environmental controls increases risk of equipment overheating. Dirty, dusty environment increases risk of operating issues with rack components and reduces equipment lifespan.
- No dedicated and redundant power. Both a dedicated circuit and a power outlet from a building generator are needed.
- Lack of Uninterruptible Power Supply (UPS) or emergency power source creates life safety risks during power outages, and reduces equipment lifespan due to a lack of conditioned power.
- **8** Lack of grounding infrastructure increases risk of electrical shortage and equipment damage.
- **Overhead cable management** is lacking putting cables at risk of damage.
- No cable management or correct termination at the rack can cause operational issues and makes troubleshooting difficult.
- Poor room construction with no deck access and poor cable penetrations.
- Floor tile is not anti-static increasing risk of Electro-Static Discharge.
- Hard ceiling inhibits inspection and serviceability, and limits airflow while trapping heat.



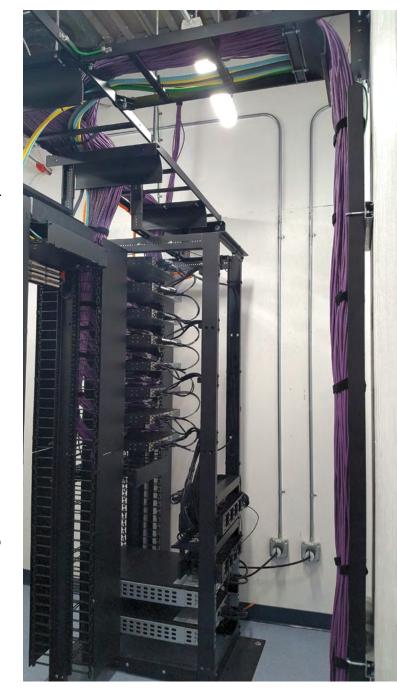
# 13-Point Checklist for IT Equipment Spaces

- 1. Size with 3' clear space front and back
- 2. No risks of water damage.
- 3. Environment/location/hallway access
- 4. Secure/dedicated space or locked cabinet
- 5. Environmental controls
- 6. Dedicated, redundant power
- 7. Uninterruptible Power Source (UPS)/ Emergency Management (EM) power

- 8. Grounding infrastructure
- 9. Overhead cable management and fire-retardant plywood
- 10. Cable termination and management at the rack
- 11. Room construction with walls extended to deck, and compliant, sealed cable penetrations
- 12. Vinyl-Coated Tile (VCT) flooring
- 13. Ceiling open to deck with minimum height of 10'

# ...and a good TR great.

- 1 Room size allows rack front and back clearances.
- No water risks. No nearby utility pipes, drains, or custodial slop sinks.
- 3 Location provides direct hallway access.
- Security. Secure or dedicated space, or locked cabinet, with IP camera coverage and access control.
- 5 Environmental controls. AC and exhaust fan with independent controls in same room. A door sweep is installed and regular Preventative Maintenance procedures are in place to keep the space clean and dust free.
- Power. Dedicated circuit with circuit ID labels from two different panels.
- 7 UPS/EM Power. Uninterruptible Power Supply and/or Emergency Power source.
- **Grounding infrastructure** including a Telecommunications Grounding Busbar (TGB) is installed.
- Overhead cable management and fire-resistant plywood wall are installed. Overhead ladder racks reduce strain on cabling and improve performance.
- Cable Termination and Management. Adequate racks/cabinets and cable management. Horizontal and vertical management systems are in the rack to reduce strain on cabling and improve performance.
- Room construction. Walls extend to deck. Cable penetrations are compliant and sealed (fire stopped).
- VCT flooring. Anti-static tile bonded with copper strips
- Ceiling. Open to deck with 10' minimum height Above Finished Floor.



## Preface: Items of Note

#### Services vs. Systems

While most of the items surveyed in this report are physical components or devices, there are occasional references to the **services** that use technology systems such as telephone signal and internet service.

## Cables, Pathways and Supports

Poke your head above just about any ceiling panel in a school building corridor and chances are you'll see some of the cabling infrastructure through which data is transmitted.

In addition to the type and condition of the cable itself, how the cables are supported within a space is an important component of the survey. Proper supporting structures includes:

- Cable tray for long runs such as down corridors.
- Ladder racking for overhead cable support.
- J hooks to support cable as it exits the tray and runs to its designated space.
- Conduit used to support cable as it passes through a wall. (See below for more on conduit, penetrations, and firestopping.)

Note that approval from the NYS Education Department's Facilities Planning commission is required just about any time an architectural wall is modified.

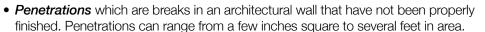
Cable management systems in a TR should accommodate both overhead (right) and vertical (far right) cables.

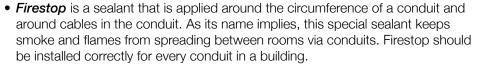




#### **Conduits, Penetrations and Firestop**

While conduit is used to properly support cables as they pass through walls, this report also references:







Conduit with proper fill ratio and properly installed firestop. Photo©BICSI. All rights acknowledged.

**Best Practices vs. Cost Effectiveness** 

While all the recommended improvements in this report are based on strict adherence to industry standards, not all recommendations may be economically feasible at a particular time for the District.

## **Definitions**

Term	Acronym	Description
Americans With Disabilities Act	ADA	1990 U.S. civil rights law prohibiting discrimination based on disabilities.
Architectural/Electrical/Mechanical/ Plumbing	AMEP or AMEPT	The four traditional systems that are required for functional buildings. The ubiquity of building IP-based Technology system has led to the newer acronym AMEPT.
Building Distribution Frame	BDF	A legacy Bell Telephone term for the point where all cabling terminates.
Communications Equipment Room	CER	A room that supports communications systems cabling and equipment.
Division 27		The section of the MasterFormat CSI specifications that applies to telecomm equipment.
Entrance Facility	ER	The room where the service provider enters a building and the point of demarcation is established.
Electronic Industries Alliance/ Telecommunications Industry Association	EIA/TIA	A Telecommunications Standards Organization
Full-Time Employee	FTE	Employment with 36 hours or more per week reporting directly to the District (vs. a contractor).
Gigabit Interface Converter	GBIC	Converts and extends various types of data signals for data centers, enterprises, and ISP.
Global Positioning System	GPS	
Intermediate Distribution Frame	IDF	A legacy Bell Telephone term for a room that supports communications cabling and equipment located between the MDF and end device.
Intermediate Telecommunications Room	ITR	The secondary IT spaces with their own Serving Zones fed from the Main TR.
Inter-building		Between two or more separate buildings.
Intra-building		Within a building.
Internet Service Provider	ISP	An organization that provides the District with access to the Internet.
Main Distribution Frame	MDF	A legacy Bell Telephone term for the main room that supports communications cabling and equipment.
Main Telecommunications Room	MTR	The primary IT space that feeds the Intermediate TRs as well as its own Serving Zone.
Multi-Mode	MM	A transmission performance category for fiber optic cabling.
National Electrical Code	NEC	Electrical wiring standard.
Network Interface Card	NIC	The interface between a network-connected device and communications cabling.
Network Time Protocol	NTP	Used to synchronize computer clock times in a network.
Network Video Recorder	NVR	A digital video recording device primarily used to capture video surveillance camera feeds.
Public Address System	PA	An electronic system for amplifying sound.
Personal Computer	PC	A computer intended for use by an individual which could be a desktop, laptop, tablet or smartphone
Power Over Ethernet	PoE	A standard to provide data and power to network connected devices over a 4 twisted-pair Ethernet cable.
Plain Old Telephone Service	POTs	Analog voice-grade telephone service.
Prime Rate Interface	PRI	A digital telecommunications interface.
Redundant Array of Independent Disks	RAID	A data storage virtualization technology used for data redundancy.
Rough Order of Magnitude	ROM	A ballpark cost estimate based on data from site surveys and as provided by the District.
Session Initiated Protocol	SIP	A communications protocol for signaling and controlling multimedia communications sessions.
Security Management System	SMS	Network based system that integrates video surveillance, access control under a single user platform
Service Set Identifier	SSID	A sequence of characters that names a wireless local area network.
Serving Zone	SZ	The area of a building for which a CER supports the cabling and equipment.
Technology Conditions Survey	TCS	The onsite survey of a District's buildings' current conditions of technology infrastructure, network connectivity, Communications, Security, and Audio/Visual (including Instructional) systems, as well as computing devices. This report is the final TCS deliverable to the client.
Telecommunications Ground Bar	TGB	A component of the Telecommunications Bonding and Grounding system that connects the telecommunications bonding backbone conductor to the TMGB to improve the performance of network cabling and equipment.
Telecommunications Main Ground Bar	TMGB	A component of the Telecommunications Bonding and Grounding system that connects the telecommunications bonding conductor to the electrical entrance facility to improve the performance of network cabling and equipment.
Uninterruptible Power Supply	UPS	Equipment that maintains power to network equipment in the event of a power outage.
Vinyl Composition Tile	VCT	The anti-static version of these tiles are used in CERs to reduce the risk of static discharge and potential damage to network equipment.
Video Graphics Array Connector	VGA	An analog connector that transmits a video signal from a source to a display.
Virtual Local Area Network	VLAN	A method of partitioning network traffic on a common network.
Voice Over Internet Protocol	VoIP	Methods for delivering voice communications and multimedia over IP networks.
Wireless Access Point	WAP	A device that allows wireless devices to connect to a wired network. Note that each WAP is connected to a building's network via cables (i.e., hard wired).

## Codes and Standards

Unlike the construction industry's state-mandated codes, the telecommunications industry is primarily governed by trade association-developed standards. These standards are voluntary on the part of the building owner to develop facilities that move and consume data to improve operations and systems' usable lives.

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The following is a list of codes and standards that apply to the scope of this document.

- 1. ANSI/TIA/EIA-568-C, Commercial Building Telecommunications Wiring Standard
  - a. ANSI/TIA-568-C.0, Generic Telecommunications Cabling for Customer Premises, published 2009
  - b. ANSI/TIA-568-C.1, Commercial Building Telecommunications Cabling Standard, published 2009
  - c. ANSI/TIA-568-C.2, Balanced Twisted-Pair Telecommunication Cabling and Components Standard, published 2009
  - d. ANSI/TIA-568-C.3, Optical Fiber Cabling Components Standard, published 2008, errata issued in October, 2008
- 2. ANSI/TIA-569-B Commercial Building Standard for Telecommunications Pathways and Spaces.
- 3. ANSI/TIA-606-A Administration Standard for Commercial Telecommunications Infrastructure
- 4. ANSI-J-STD-607-A Commercial Building Grounding (Earthing) and Bonding Requirements for Telecommunications.
- 5. ANSI/TIA-758-A. Customer-Owned Outside Plant Telecommunications Infrastructure Standard.
- 6. BICSI: Comply with the most current editions of the following BICSI manuals:
  - a. BICSI Telecommunications Distribution Methods Manual
  - b. BICSI Installation Transport Systems Information Manual
  - c. BICSI Network Design Reference Design Manual
  - BICSI Outside Plant Design Reference Manual
  - e. BICSI Wireless Design Reference Manual
  - BICSI -Electronic Safety and Security Design Reference Manual
  - g. Infocomm/BICSI AV Design Reference Manual
- 7. New York State Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Code
- 8. New York State Department of Labor Rules and Regulations
- 9. New York State Department of Health
- 10. Federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA)
- 11. National Life Safety Code, NFPA 101
- 12. National Electrical Code, NFPA 70
- 13. Underwriters Laboratory (UL)
- 14. IEEE Standards
- 15. Federal Communications Commission
- 16. National Electrical Manufacturers' Association (NEMA)
- 17. Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)

1. Executive Summary On December 28, 2023, MasterLibrary (ML) Professional Services completed a comprehensive Technology Conditions Survey (TCS) for Anytown Central School District (ACSD) in Anytown, NY.

> The TCS is intended to provide the District with an objective evaluation of the current state of the technology systems and infrastructure that support the daily educational and business operations within the district.

The survey included a review of these district-wide technology systems as well as its overall technology plan:

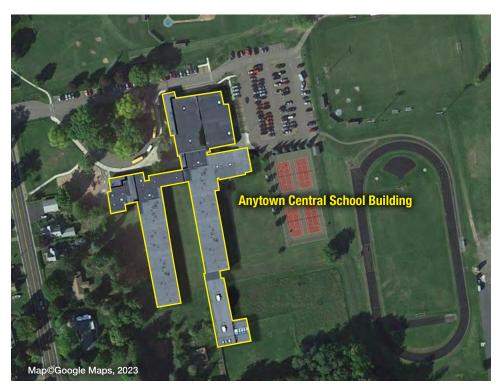
Technology Infrastructure	Horizontal Cabling     Backbone Cabling	Communications Pathways     Spaces including Telecommunications Rooms (TRs)
Network Hardware	Wired Network     Wireless Network	<ul><li>3. Security and Monitoring</li><li>4. Telecommunications Services</li></ul>
Communications Systems	Public Address (PA)     Telephone	<ul><li>3. Local PA/Sound Reinforcement</li><li>4. Master Clock</li></ul>
Security Systems	Access Control     Intrusion Alarm System	<ul><li>3. Visitor Entry System</li><li>4. Video Surveillance</li></ul>
Instructional Technology	Integrated AV Systems     PCs/Laptops/Tablets	3. Copiers and Printers

#### **About the District**

Anytown Central School District (ACSD) is located in the Town of Anytown in Empire County, NY.

There is (1) Central School Building that houses an elementary, middle, and high school with a total interior space of approximately 220,000 sq. ft.

Anytown Central School Building surveyed for Technology Conditions



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## 1. Executive Summary (cont.): Technology Infrastructure

#### **GRADING** ►

Grades are based on the current conditions of the district's Technology Infrastructure—cable, pathways, and spaces—observed during ML Professional Services' on-site surveys as detailed in this Report.

- **4 = Excellent.** Meets/exceeds district's current and expected needs.
- **3 = Good.** Meets district's current needs but upgrades are needed.
- 2 = Fair. Minimally meets current needs. Major upgrades are needed.
- **1 = Poor.** System is nearing/at end-of-life. Immediate upgrades needed.
- **0 = Fail.** System is not installed/implemented at the district.

#### SYSTEMS AND DISTRICT GOALS ▼

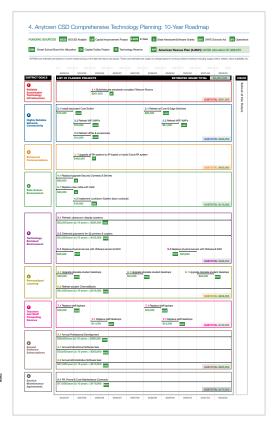
- Each major technology system is color coded to align with the district goal it supports as listed below.
- Technology projects are aligned with these goals in the *10-Year Comprehensive Technology Roadmap* on page 48.



Technology systems are color-coded based on the district goal they support as shown in the 10-Year Comprehensive Technology Roadmap at the end of this report.

ED LAW 2D

indicates a potential NYS Ed Law 2D compliance issue.



1. SCALABLE TECHNOLOGY INFRASTRUCTURE						
SUBSYSTEM	SUMMARY OF CURRENT CONDITIONS	SUBSYSTEM GRADE	SYSTEM GRADE	RECOMMENDED IMPROVEMENT SUMMARY		
1. CABLES AND PATHWAYS						
Horizontal Cable	Cat6 and 6A cabling is installed throughout the building which meets district needs. Analog video cameras are wired with coax cable and abandoned cabling is installed throughout the building.	2.6		<ol> <li>Upgrade video system cables to Cat6 with the Security System surveillance upgrade.</li> <li>Remove abandoned cables from the building as per code.</li> </ol>		
Backbone Cable	50 micron Multi Mode (MM) and Single Mode (SM) fiber is installed throughout the building.	4.0	2.6	No recommendations at this time.		
Communications Pathways	The building lacks cable tray, cable supports, and firestopped conduits.	1.3		Install cable tray, cable supports and firestopped conduits throughout the building.		
2. SPACES (TELECOM ROOMS)	ED LAW 2D indicates a potential NYS Ed Law 2D comp	oliance issue.				
MTR, Server Room (MS 154)	The space is in good condition and requires moderate upgrades to meet industry standards.	3.6		<ol> <li>Install video camera, properly label electrical outlets, and install treated plywood and firestop.</li> <li>Move IT equipment from TR-3, Basement (B 028A) to this space. Recable the equipment in the racks.</li> </ol>		
FR-2, Storage Room (HS 104)	The space is in poor condition and requires significant upgrades to meet industry standards.	1.7	2.4	<ol> <li>Dedicate the space to IT equipment.</li> <li>Install card access, video surveillance, AC, temperature monitoring, UPS, cable management systems, firestop and treated plywood.</li> </ol>		
TR-3, Basement (B 048A)	The space is in poor condition and is not worth the investment to upgrade it to industry standards.	0.9		Abandon the space. Move equipment to MTR (MS 154).		
FR-4, District Office (DO 010)	The space is in good condition and requires nominal upgrades to meet industry standards.	3.2		Install video surveillance, horizontal cable management, plywood, firestopped conduit, and VCT tile flooring.		

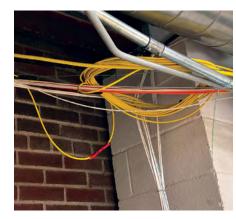
## Examples of Technology Infrastructure in Anytown CSD Central School Building

#### **Horizontal Cable**



The installed Cat 6 and 6A (pictured) cable meets district needs. However, it is not used for existing analog video cameras.

#### **Backbone Cable**



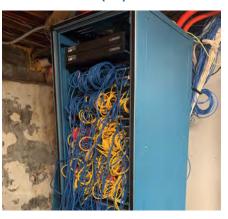
The district's Single-Mode fiber (yellow cable) meets needs although it lacks adequate supports.

#### **Communications Pathways**



Cable resting on non-compliant building steel due to lack of cable pathways down hallways and corridors.

#### **Telecom Room (TR)**



Only one of the district's TRs needs to be abandoned but equipment can be consolidated into another current space.

# 1. Executive Summary (cont.): Other District-wide Systems

SYSTEM/SUBSYSTEM	SUMMARY OF CURRENT CONDITIONS	SUBSYSTEM GRADE	SYSTEM GRADE	RECOMMENDED IMPROVEMENT SUMMARY			
2. NETWORK CONNECTIVITY							
Network Hardware	The district lacks core switch redundancy and an adequate network switch refresh cycle.	3.0		Install a second core data switch and update switches every 6 years per the 10-Year Roadmap.			
Wireless Network	The system and its components meet district needs.	4.0	3.7				
Network Security and Monitoring	RIC-provided services meet district needs.	4.0		No recommendations at this time.			
Telephone Service	Frontier analog services meet district needs.	4.0	4.0	No recommendations at this time.			
Internet Service	Spectrum internet services meet district needs.	4.0	4.0	No recommendations at this time.			
3. COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM	MS STATE OF THE ST						
Public Address (PA)	The district's analog PA systems are at End-Of-Life.	2.0		Replace the PA system with a full IP or IP/analog system per the 10-Year Roadmap.			
Phone	The Cisco system and its components meet district needs.	4.0	-	No recommendations at this time.			
Master Clock	District needs are nominally met by the current mix of wireless Primex and wired Simplex clocks. However important Security Systems integrations are not possible.	2.0	1.6	Upgrade the Master Clock system per the 10-Year Roadmap and leverage Phone and Security Systems integrations.			
Lockdown Notification	The district lacks this capability.	0	_	Upgrade the phone system to include emergency notification software and integrate with the new PA system.			
Performance Sound Reinforcement	ADA compliant devices and auto-muting are not available district wide.	0		Procure appropriate equipment and install with PA auto-mute capabilities.			
4. SECURITY SYSTEMS							
Access Control	Main entrance doors are controlled but perimeter doors are not monitored. Card readers are lacking or non-operational in some locations.	3.0		Install door monitoring with notifications and install/replace card readers as needed.			
Video Surveillance	The current coax-based system does not meet district needs.	1.0		Upgrade video surveillance system to an IP-based controller and cameras per the 10-Year Roadmap.			
Lockdown Initiation	The current system and components meet district needs.	3.0	2.2	Consider a mobile application for designated district staff.			
Intrusion Alarm	Door perimeter intrusion system and security motion detectors are not installed.	0		Install door perimeter intrusion system and security motion detectors as needed.			
Visitor Entry	The system and its components meet district needs.	4.0		No recommendations at this time.			
5. INSTRUCTIONAL TECHNOL	LOGY						
Displays	The districts has upgraded ≈70% of its displays to Dell 70 Interactive Flat Panels (IFPs).	3.0		Continue with the current initiative to refresh some IFPs each year			
Classroom Audio Reinforcement	No classroom audio reinforcement systems are installed.	0	2.3	Further the use of audio reinforcement in the classroom and establish, maintain refresh cycles.			
Document Cameras	The current system and components meet district needs.	4.0		No recommendations at this time.			
6. STUDENT DEVICES							
PCs/Laptops/Tablets	Student laptops and tablets meet district needs but desktops do not.	2.8	2.8	Upgrade student desktops and maintain all refresh cycles per the 10-Year Roadmap.			
7. TEACHER & ADMIN TECHN	IOLOGY						
Teacher Computing Devices	Current iMac desktops and outdated laptops are in use.	2.0					
Admin Computing Devices	≈50% of admin desktops are obsolete.	2.0	2.7	Laptops are scheduled to be upgraded in the summer of 2022.  Maintain all refresh cycles per the 10-Year Roadmap.			
Copiers and Printers	The current RIC-leased equipment meets district needs.	4.0		maintain air foir og frog por the 10-10ar riodalnap.			
GRADING KEY	4 Excellent. Meets/exceeds district's current and expected needs.  3 Good. Meets district's current needs but upgrades are needed	2 Fair. Minimally meets curr Major upgrades are neede					

The 10-Year Roadmap in section 4 includes Rough Order of Magnitude cost estimates to implement these recommendations.

**GRADING**  $\triangleright$  4 = Excellent 3 = Good 2 = Fair 1 = Poor 0 = Fail.

## **TELECOMMUNICATIONS INFRASTRUCTURE**

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## **CURRENT GRADE**

**2.6** out of 4.0

## **RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 1. Remove abandoned cabling and equipment.
- 2. Implement consistent cable labeling standards.
- 3. Install cable tray down all corridors.4. Install additional conduit.
- Firestop all conduits.
  5. Ground cable tray and conduit.

Unlike other technology systems that are consistent district wide, Telecommunications Infrastructure tends to vary by building or sections upgraded during capital projects.

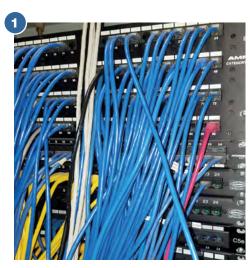
The Current Conditions and Recommended Improvements noted below apply to Anytown CSD Central School building.

SYSTEM	SYSTEM GRADE	SYSTEM CATEGORY	CURRENT CONDITION	RECOMMENDED IMPROVEMENTS
Horizontal Cabling	3	Horizontal UTP Cabling	<ul> <li>Category 6 (Cat6) cable was installed throughout the building as part of the 19/'20 Capital Improvement Project.</li> <li>Analog video cameras are still wired with coax cable.</li> <li>There are large quantities of abandoned cabling throughout the building.</li> </ul>	<ol> <li>Replace the video surveillance system coax cable with Cat6 when the cameras are upgraded to IP-based versions.</li> <li>Remove all abandoned cable and outdated legacy equipment.</li> <li>Standardize all TR designations per the TR Master Plan included in this Report.</li> </ol>
	4	Cable Counts	Generally, cable counts are adequate for current District needs.	<ol> <li>Implement a consistent district-wide cable labeling program from TRs through cable drops in classrooms and all other spaces that</li> </ol>
	2	Cable Labeling	The district lacks cable labeling conventions resulting in inconsistent and inadequate cable labels throughout the district.	conforms with industry standards.  5. Make new district Serving Zone drawings developed with this
	0	Serving Zones	Serving Zones for each floor are not documented.	report available to pertinent staff and contractors.
	4	Wireless Access Point (WAP) Cabling	(2) Cat6A cables are installed for each WAP.	
Backbone Cabling	4	Intra-building Fiber Optic Backbone (within a building)	50-micron Multi Mode (MM) and Single Mode (SM) fiber are installed throughout the building.	No recommendations at this time.
	N/A	Inter-building Fiber Optic Backbone (between buildings)	The district has a single Central School building with no interbuilding connections.	
Communications Pathways	2	Cable Tray	Except for the Main Telecom Room (MTR), there is minimal use of cable tray throughout the District.	<ol> <li>Install new/add cable tray down all corridors and in other areas of the building.</li> <li>Correctly install all existing and new cable into the tray.</li> </ol>
	1	Cable Supports	The district lacks cable supports such as J-hooks.	Install new/additional cable supports as per industry standards.
	2	Conduit	<ul><li>Cables are installed at or beyond the capacity of conduits.</li><li>Conduits lack firestop.</li></ul>	<ol> <li>Install additional conduit sleeves as needed.</li> <li>Apply firestopping in and around conduit sleeves.</li> </ol>
	0	Bonding & Grounding	Conduits are not connected to a grounding/bonding infrastructure.	<ol> <li>Connect conduits to a grounding/bonding infrastructure.</li> <li>Connect any newly installed pathways including cable tray to a grounding/bonding infrastructure.</li> </ol>

Examples of cable and cable support installations throughout the district:

- 1. ES and MS non-compliant horizontal cable management.
- 2. Typical ES and MS cabling with non-compliant labeling.
- 3. Improperly supported horizontal cable in the High School.
- 4. Ladder racking correctly installed and deployed in the MTR Server Room 154.

Additional district infrastructure photos appear on pp. 10 – 11.









## **Anytown Central School**

The 10-Year Roadmap on pg. 48 includes Rough Order of Magnitude cost estimates to implement these recommendations.

## TELECOMMUNICATIONS INFRASTRUCTURE - SPACES: MTR, Server Room (MS 154)

## Anytown Central School - MTR, SERVER ROOM (MS 154)

## **CURRENT GRADE**

**3.6** out of 4.0

#### **CURRENT CONDITION**

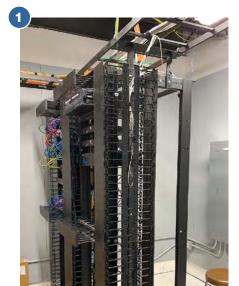
The space is in **good** condition and requires moderate upgrades to meet industry standards.

## RECOMMENDATION

**Upgrade** the current space.

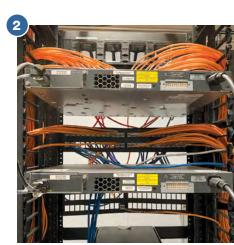
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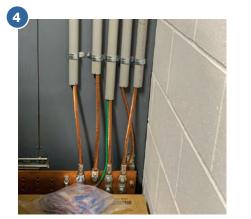
\$37,000



Photos, clockwise from top left:

- 1. The dedicated secure space includes (3) newer equipment racks.
- 2. The racks include properly installed cable lengths and management.
- 3. A properly labeled electrical outlet from the building's emergency generator.
- 4. A properly installed grounding bar with all components correctly connected.







## **Summary of Recommendations**

- Install video surveillance coverage of the door.
- Properly label all electrical outlets.
- Install treated plywood and firestop.

CATEGORY	CATEGORY GRADE	CURRENT CONDITION	RECOMMENDED IMPROVEMENTS
1. Room Size & Rack Access	4.0	<ul><li>The room size meets industry standards.</li><li>The space has a swing-in door that does not impede rack access.</li></ul>	No recommendations at this time.
2. Water Risk	4.0	No potential direct water threats were observed.	No recommendations at this time.
3. Location	4.0	The space has direct hallway access and is centrally located in its serving zone.	No recommendations at this time.
4. Security	3.0	<ul> <li>The door to the space has a card reader installed with access limited to IT staff.</li> <li>The space lacks video surveillance coverage.</li> </ul>	Install a dedicated video surveillance camera focused on the door to the space.
5. Environmental Control	4.0	The space has a dedicated AC system and a temperature monitoring system connected to the network.	No recommendations at this time.
6. Dedicated and Redundant Power	3.0	<ul><li>The circuit is dedicated.</li><li>(1) unlabeled duplex outlet is installed and an outlet is available.</li></ul>	Properly label all electrical outlets.
7. UPS & Emergency Power	4.0	<ul> <li>A UPS is installed in the rack and all equipment is properly connected.</li> <li>The building is equipped with a generator for emergency power and properly labeled outlets are installed in the space.</li> </ul>	Review equipment load to ensure the UPS will provide adequate capacity and run times.
8. Grounding Infrastructure	4.0	A proper bonding/grounding infrastructure is installed and IT equipment is connected.	No recommendations at this time.
Overhead Cable     Management	4.0	Proper overhead cable management with correctly installed cable and room for additional capacity is installed.	No recommendations at this time.
10. Cable Termination and Management	3.0	<ul><li>Patch panels are properly labeled but cable jackets are not.</li><li>The rack has sufficient cable management.</li></ul>	Properly label cable jackets.
11. Room Construction	3.0	<ul> <li>Walls do not extend to the deck but plywood is installed on at least one wall.</li> <li>Cables enter the space in compliant firestopped pathways.</li> </ul>	Extend the walls to the deck.
12. VCT Flooring	3.0	VCT flooring is installed but is not bonded.	No recommendations at this time.
13. Ceiling	4.0	The ceiling is open to the deck more than 10' Above Finished Floor.	No recommendations at this time.

#### **GRADING KEY**

- 4 Excellent. Meets/exceeds district's current and expected needs.
- **3 Good.** Meets district's current needs but upgrades are needed.
- **2 Fair.** Minimally meets current needs. Major upgrades are needed.
- **1 Poor**. System is nearing/at end-of-life. Immediate upgrades needed.
- **0 Fail.** System is not installed/implemented at the district.

## **Anytown Central School (cont.)**

## The 10-Year Roadmap on pg. 48 includes Rough Order of Magnitude cost estimates to implement these recommendations.

## TELECOMMUNICATIONS INFRASTRUCTURE - SPACES: TR-2, Storage Room (HS 104)

## Anytown Central School - TR-2, STORAGE ROOM (HS 104)

#### **CURRENT GRADE**

**1.7** out of 4.0

#### **CURRENT CONDITION**

The space is in **poor** condition and requires **significant** upgrades to meet industry standards.

#### RECOMMENDATION

Dedicate and upgrade the current space.

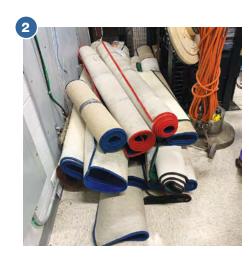
## ROM COST ESTIMATE

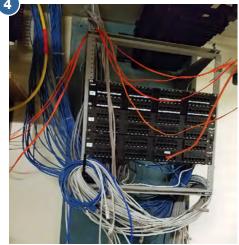
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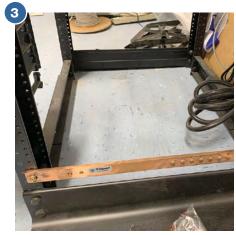


Photos, clockwise from top left:

- 1. Unsecured space shared with office supply storage.
- 2. Rugs are stored in close proximity to IT equipment racks.
- 3. A grounding bar is installed in the rack but no equipment is connected to it.
- 4. Abandoned legacy cable installed in the space.







## Summary of Recommendations

- Remove stored non-IT items. Dedicate the space to IT equipment and install card access for IT staff only.
- Move IT equipment from TR-3, Basement (B 028A) to this space. Recable the equipment in the racks.
- Installed video surveillance of door exterior.
- Install AC system, temperature monitoring, a UPS unit, cable management systems, and firestop in conduits.
- Attach IT equipment to existing rack grounding bar.
- Install plywood on one wall and remove the drop ceiling.

CATEGORY	CATEGORY GRADE	CURRENT CONDITION	RECOMMENDED IMPROVEMENTS
1. Room Size & Rack Access	2.0	<ul> <li>The room size meets industry standards.</li> <li>The space lacks adequate front and/or rear rack clearances due to its poor configuration and stored non-IT items.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Remove the stored non-IT items.</li> <li>Dedicate the space to IT equipment and limit access to IT staff.</li> <li>Reposition the rack for adequate clearances.</li> </ul>
2. Water Risk	4.0	No potential direct water threats were observed.	No recommendations at this time.
3. Location	2.0	The space lacks direct hallway access and must be entered through a classroom. The space is centrally located in its serving zone.	No recommendations at this time.
4. Security	1.0	<ul> <li>The space is shared and accessible to non-IT staff.</li> <li>The network equipment and infrastructure are in an open unlocked equipment rack/cabinet.</li> <li>The space lacks card access and video surveillance coverage.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Install Access Control card reader keyed for IT staff only.</li> <li>Install a dedicated video surveillance camera focused on the door to the space.</li> </ul>
5. Environmental Control	0	The space lacks a dedicated AC system and a temperature monitoring system connected to the network.	Install a dedicated AC system and a temperature monitoring system.
6. Dedicated and Redundant Power	3.0	<ul><li>The circuit is dedicated.</li><li>(2) unlabeled duplex outlets are installed and an outlet is available.</li></ul>	Properly label all electrical outlets.
7. UPS & Emergency Power	0	<ul> <li>There is no UPS installed in the space.</li> <li>While there is a building generator, none of its power connections are in this space.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Review equipment load to ensure the UPS will provide adequate capacity and run times.</li> <li>Purchase and install a UPS unit as per the 10-Year Roadmap. Connect all equipment to the new UPS.</li> <li>Add labeled electrical connections from the building generator to this space.</li> </ul>
8. Grounding Infrastructure	1.0	A proper bonding/grounding infrastructure is installed but no IT equipment is connected to it.	Attach existing IT equipment to the Grounding Bar.
9. Overhead Cable Management	1.0	<ul><li>No overhead cable management system is installed.</li><li>Cable radius control is lacking.</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Install an overhead cable management system (ladder racks, J hooks) with space for additional capacity.</li> <li>Install a cable radius control system.</li> </ul>
10. Cable Termination and Management	2.0	<ul><li>Patch panels are properly labeled but cable jackets are not.</li><li>The rack has sufficient cable management.</li></ul>	Properly label cable jackets.
11. Room Construction	2.0	<ul> <li>Walls extend to the deck but plywood is not installed on any wall.</li> <li>Cables enter the space in compliant pathways that lack firestop.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Install properly treated plywood on one wall.</li> <li>Install firestop around and inside all horizontal (walls) and vertical l(ceilings, floors) ≥4" conduits.</li> </ul>
12. VCT Flooring	3.0	VCT flooring is installed but is not bonded.	No recommendations at this time.
13. Ceiling	1.0	A drop ceiling is installed less than 10' Above Finished Floor.	Remove the drop ceiling.

#### **GRADING KEY**

- **4 Excellent.** Meets/exceeds district's current and expected needs.
- 3 Good. Meets district's current needs but upgrades are needed.2 Fair. Minimally meets current needs. Major upgrades are needed.
- **1 Poor**. System is nearing/at end-of-life. Immediate upgrades needed.
- **0 Fail.** System is not installed/implemented at the district.

## **Anytown Central School (cont.)**

The 10-Year Roadmap on pg. 48 includes Rough Order of Magnitude cost estimates to implement these recommendations.

## TELECOMMUNICATIONS INFRASTRUCTURE - SPACES: TR-3, Basement (B 048A)

## Anytown Central School - TR-3, BASEMENT (B 048A)

## **CURRENT GRADE**

**0.9** out of 4.0

#### **CURRENT CONDITION**

The space is in **poor** condition and is not worth the investment to upgrade it to industry standards.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

**Abandon** the current space. Move IT equipment to MTR, Server Room.

## ROM COST ESTIMATE

\$38,000



Photos, clockwise from top left:

- 1. The open rack is in an unsecured area that is shared with custodial items.
- 2. The space is below grade, a water pipe is installed directly over the rack, and cable management systems are lacking.
- 3. Conduits are filled beyond capacities.
- 4. There is a janitorial slop sink in the same space as the equipment.





## **Summary of Recommendations**

- Move IT equipment from this space to MTR-2, Server Room (MS 154) to this space. Recable the equipment in the racks.
- Remove all abandoned IT equipment and cable. Recycle as much material as possible.

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CATEGORY	CATEGORY GRADE	CURRENT CONDITION	RECOMMENDED IMPROVEMENTS				
1. Room Size	4.0	The room size meets industry standards and provides for adequate front and rear rack clearances.					
2. Water Risk	0	<ul> <li>The space is below grade. The walls and floor shows evidence of past water penetration.</li> <li>A pressurized water line is installed directly above the rack.</li> <li>A custodial slop sink is installed in the space within 6' of the rack.</li> </ul>					
3. Location	1.0	There is no direct access to the space which is in the basement. it must be entered using a set of stairs and through a service corridor.					
4. Security	0	<ul> <li>The network equipment and infrastructure are in an open unlocked equipment cabinet.</li> <li>The space is shared and accessible to non-IT staff.</li> <li>The doors to the basement lack locks.</li> <li>The space lacks card reader access and video surveillance coverage.</li> </ul>					
5. Environmental Control	0	The space lacks a dedicated AC system, an exhaust fan, and a temperature monitoring system.					
6. Dedicated and Redundant Power	2.0	<ul><li>The circuit is not dedicated.</li><li>Power connections lack proper labeling.</li></ul>	Abandon this space. Move all IT equipment to MTR.				
7. UPS & Emergency Power	0	<ul> <li>There is no UPS installed in the space.</li> <li>While there is a building generator, none of its power connections are in this space.</li> </ul>	Remove all legacy cable and equipment.				
8. Grounding Infrastructure	0	No bonding or grounding infrastructure was observed.					
Overhead Cable     Management	1.0	Overhead cable management does not meet industry standards.					
10. Cable Termination and Management	0	<ul> <li>Cables are not correctly installed and/or supported within the rack.</li> <li>Patch panels and cable jackets behind the panels lack machine-printed labeling</li> </ul>					
11. Room Construction	1.0	<ul> <li>The room has below-grade exterior walls that create a potential water threat.</li> <li>Cable pathways are at or over capacity.</li> <li>Plywood is not installed on any wall.</li> <li>There is poor visibility in the rack due to a lack of lighting.</li> </ul>					
12. VCT Flooring	1.0	The floor is bare concrete.					
13. Ceiling	2.0	The ceiling is open to the deck but there is less than 10' Above Finished Floor.					

#### **GRADING KEY**

- 4 Excellent. Meets/exceeds district's current and expected needs.
- **3 Good.** Meets district's current needs but upgrades are needed.
- 2 Fair. Minimally meets current needs. Major upgrades are needed.
- 1 Poor. System is nearing/at end-of-life. Immediate upgrades needed.
- **0 Fail.** System is not installed/implemented at the district.

## **Anytown Central School (cont.)**

## The 10-Year Roadmap on pg. 48 includes Rough Order of Magnitude cost estimates to implement these recommendations.

## TELECOMMUNICATIONS INFRASTRUCTURE - SPACES: TR-4, District Office (DO 010)

## Anytown Central School - TR-4, District Office (DO-010)

#### **CURRENT GRADE**

**3.2** out of 4.0

#### **CURRENT CONDITION**

The space is in **good** condition and requires **nominal** upgrades to meet industry standards.

## RECOMMENDATION

**Upgrade** the current space.

## **ROM COST ESTIMATE**

\$29,000



- 1. A single wall-mount cabinet is installed in the secured dedicated space.
- 2. Proper vertical and overhead cable management, and grounding systems are used in the space.
- 3. A few non-IT items are stored in the space.
- 4. Horizontal cable supports are lacking at the cabinet and abandoned cables have not been removed from the rack.





## Summary of Recommendations

- Install a dedicated video surveillance camera focused on the door to the space.
- Label emergency power outlets.
- Install horizontal cable management and cable jacket labels at the rack.
- Install properly treated plywood, conduit with firestop, and VCT tile flooring.

CATEGORY	CATEGORY GRADE	CURRENT CONDITION	RECOMMENDED IMPROVEMENTS
1. Room Size	4.0	The room size meets industry standards and the rack swivels/pivots to provide adequate clearances	No recommendations at this time.
2. Water Risk	4.0	No potential direct water threats were observed.	No recommendations at this time.
3. Location	4.0	The space has direct hallway access and is centrally located in the Serving Zone.	No recommendations at this time.
4. Security	3.0	<ul> <li>Access to the space is limited to IT staff and authorized vendors.</li> <li>The space has card reader access control.</li> <li>The space lacks video surveillance coverage.</li> </ul>	Install a dedicated video surveillance camera focused on the door to the space.
5. Environmental Control	4.0	The space has a dedicated AC system and a temperature monitoring system with notifications installed.	No recommendations at this time.
6. Dedicated and Redundant Power	4.0	The circuit is dedicated and power connections are properly labeled.	No recommendations at this time.
7. UPS & Emergency Power	3.0	<ul> <li>A UPS is sitting on the floor. The connected equipment are susceptible to accidental unplugging.</li> <li>The building is equipped with a generator but generator power outlets are not identified in the space.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Install a properly sized UPS into the rack.</li> <li>Affix machine-printed labels with panel and circuit IDs to all generator power connections.</li> </ul>
8. Grounding Infrastructure	4.0	A proper bonding/grounding infrastructure is installed and IT equipment is connected.	No recommendations at this time.
9. Overhead Cable Management	4.0	Proper overhead cable management with correctly installed cable and room for additional capacity is installed.	No recommendations at this time.
10. Cable Termination and Management	2.0	<ul> <li>Cables are not correctly installed and/or supported within the rack.</li> <li>Patch panels are properly labeled but some/all cable jackets behind the panels are not.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Install horizontal cable management at the rack.</li> <li>Affix machine-printed labels to all patch panels, cords and cable jackets behind the panel.</li> </ul>
11. Room Construction	2.0	<ul> <li>The walls extend to the deck but plywood is not installed on any wall.</li> <li>Cables enter the space in non-compliant pathways.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Install plywood that is either fire retardant or intumescent painted on at least one wall.</li> <li>Install properly sized conduit with proper firestop where it is lacking.</li> </ul>
12. VCT Flooring	1.0	Wood flooring is installed.	Install anti-static VCT floor bonded to the grounding system with copper strips.
13. Ceiling	2.0	A drop ceiling is installed more than 10' Above Finished Floor.	Remove the drop ceiling.

#### **GRADING KEY**

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- **3 Good.** Meets district's current needs but upgrades are needed.
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- **0 Fail.** System is not installed/implemented at the district.

## **Summary of Recommended Improvements for Telecom Rooms (TRs)**

**Note:** A Rough Order of Magnitude (ROM) Cost Estimate to implement these recommended improvements appears in the *10-Year Comprehensive Technology Plan Roadmap* on page 48.

As described in the *Current Conditions and Recommended Improvements* section of this report, most all spaces dedicated to IT equipment in Anytown CSD will need to be subdivided or upgraded in their existing locations to meet the (13.0) Telecommunication Room performance categories as illustrated on pp. 4 – 5. Additionally, it is recommended that a number of these spaces be abandoned and relocated.

## **TELECOMMUNICATIONS INFRASTRUCTURE - SPACES**

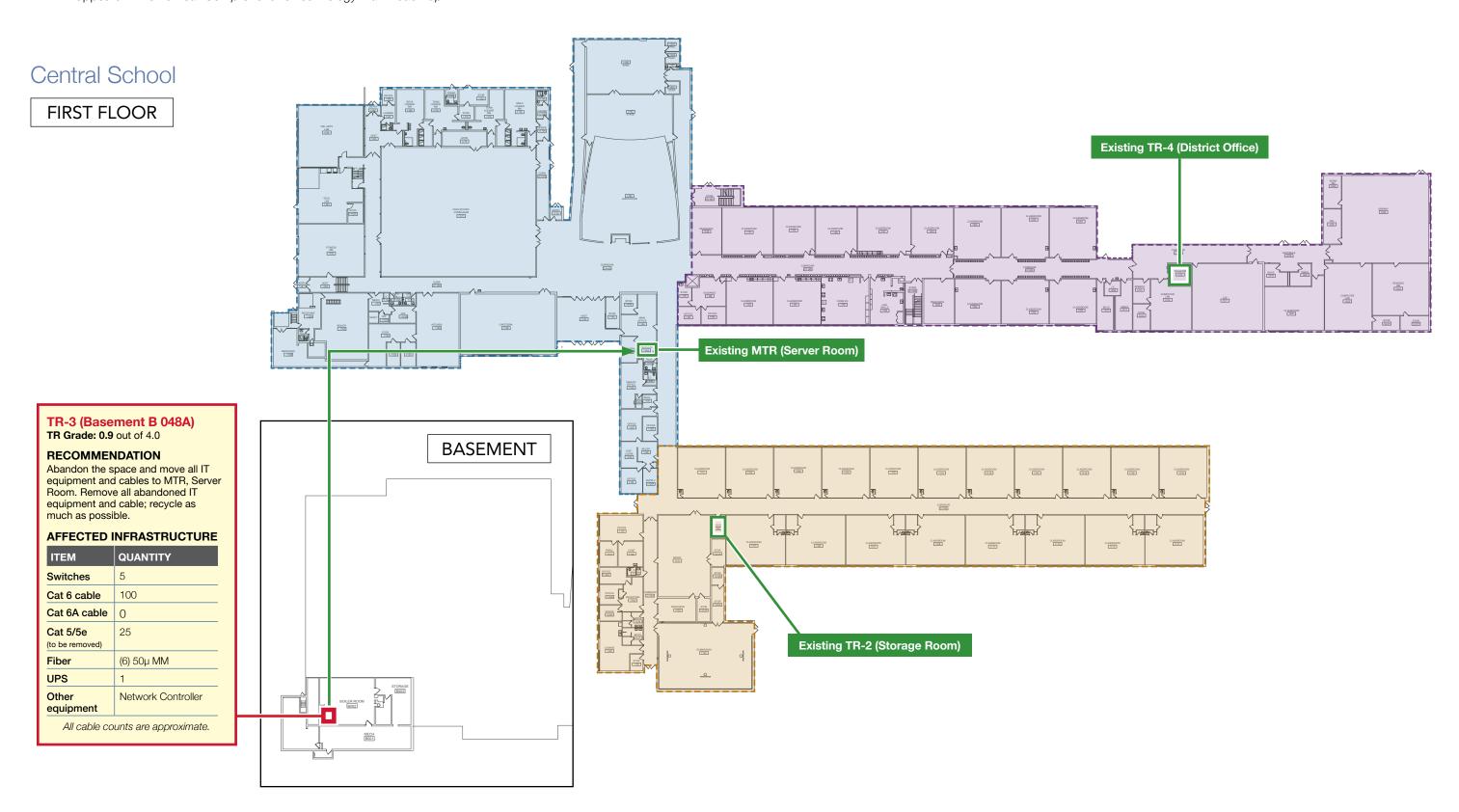
ANYTOWN CSD SUMMARY OF TR RECOMMENDED IMPROVEMENTS				ANYTOWN CENTRAL SCHOOL			
	TF	R ROOM NO.	MTR Server Room	TR-2 Storage Room	TR-3 Basement	TR-4 District Office	
PERFORMANCE CATEGORY ▼	TR SURVEY GRADE (0 = poor, 4 = excellent)		3.6	1.7	0.9	3.2	
1. Room Size. The space is adequately sized with 3.0' front and rear rack clearant	nces.		4.0	2.0	4.0	4.0	
2. Water Risk. No water threats are present.			4.0	4.0	0	4.0	
3. Location. There is direct hallway access to the space.			4.0	2.0	1.0	4.0	
4. Security. The space is secured, dedicated to IT equipment, and accessible on	ly by IT staff. ED LAW 2D		3.0	1.0	0	3.0	
5. Environmental Control. The space has an AC system with independent control.	ols, an exhaust fan, and a temperature monitoring system with automatic notifications.		4.0	0	0	4.0	
6. <b>Dedicated, Redundant Power.</b> The space has a dedicated, redundant power There is a connection to a back-up power source such as a building generate	source and all power connections are machine labeled with panel and circuit numbers. r.		3.0	3.0	2.0	4.0	
7. UPS Power. An Uninterruptible Power Source (UPS) is installed in the rack. a	nd all IT equipment is connected to it.		4.0	0	0	3.0	
8. Grounding Infrastructure. The space includes a grounding or bonding infrast	ructure connected to the racks, cable pathways, and VCT flooring.		4.0	1.0	0	4.0	
9. Overhead Cable Management. Cables entering the space have proper horizo Radius control is present as cables exit overhead management system	ntal and vertical support (e.g., ladder racking) and cables are correctly installed in the pathways.		4.0	1.0	1.0	4.0	
10. Cable Termination & Management. Cable termination, management and label	ing is correct at the rack.		3.0	2.0	0	2.0	
11. Room Construction. Walls extend to the deck with compliant, sealed cable	penetrations.		3.0	2.0	1.0	2.0	
12. VCT Flooring. Vinyl-Coated Tile (VCT) flooring is installed and connected to t	he grounding system.		3.0	3.0	1.0	1.0	
13. Ceiling. The ceiling is open to the deck with a minimum height of 10'.			4.0	1.0	2.0	2.0	
			upgrade current space \$37,000	dedicate, upgrade current space \$97,000	abandon current space; merge to MTR \$38,000	upgrade current space \$29,000	

## GRADING KEY

- 4 Excellent. Meets/exceeds district's current and expected needs.
- **3 Good.** Meets district's current needs but upgrades are needed.
- 2 Fair. Minimally meets current needs. Major upgrades are needed.
- 1 Poor. System is nearing/at end-of-life. Immediate upgrades needed.
- **0 Fail.** System is not installed/implemented at the district.

## **Summary of Recommended Telecom Rooms (TRs) to Abandon**

**Note:** A Rough Order of Magnitude (ROM) Cost Estimate to implement these recommended improvements appears in the *10-Year Comprehensive Technology Plan Roadmap*.



**NETWORK CONNECTIVITY** 

2. Existing Conditions and Recommended Improvements (cont.)

#### **GRADING KEY**

- 4 Excellent. Meets/exceeds district's current and expected needs.
- **3 Good.** Meets district's current needs but upgrades are needed.
- **2 Fair.** Minimally meets current needs. Major upgrades are needed.
- **1 Poor**. System is nearing/at end-of-life. Immediate upgrades needed. **0 Fail.** System is not installed/implemented at the district.

## **DISTRICT-WIDE SYSTEMS**

# **NETWORK CONNECTIVITY CURRENT GRADE 3.8** out of 4.0 **RECOMMENDATIONS**

#### Photos below:





CURRENT GRADE 3.8 out of 4.0	SYSTEM	SYSTEM GRADE	SUBSYSTEM	SUB- SYSTEM GRADE	SUBSYSTEM CATEGORY	CURRENT CONDITION	RECOMMENDED IMPROVEMENTS	
RECOMMENDATIONS  1. Install a second core data switch for redundancy.	Network Connectivity	3.0	Network Hardware (wired connectivity)	3.0	General Condition Notes	<ul> <li>TRs connect to the MTR, Server Room, using Single Mode fiber which meets district needs.</li> <li>The MTR has a 10G Core Switch.</li> <li>There is only (1) core data switch.</li> </ul>	Install a second core data switch and interconnect with the current equipment to provide redundancy.	
2. Maintain equipment refresh cycles per the CTP Roadmap.					Endpoint Connections - PCs	1Gb connections are available.	No recommendations at this time.	
					Endpoint connections - Server	10Gb connections are available.	No recommendations at this time.	
notos below:					Network Architecture - VLANs	The district has separate VLANs.	No recommendations at this time.	
A ceiling-mounted WAP in an Elementary School classroom.  The Spectrum internet connection in the MTR.					Network Equipment - End of Life	<ul> <li>The district recently upgraded its network switches which meets current needs.</li> <li>The district's current 10-year switch refresh policy does not meet industry standards.</li> </ul>	Update the district's refresh policy to (7) years for network switches and (5) for security components as per the CTP Roadmap.	
			Wireless Network	4.0	General Notes	<ul> <li>The district uses a wireless network with a virtual controller which meets current needs.</li> <li>WAPs installed in 2018 are approaching End-Of-Life.</li> <li>All WAPs are connected with (2) Cat 6A cables.</li> </ul>	Maintain the equipment refresh cycles per the CTP Roadmap.	
					Coverage	WiFi coverage is adequate.		
munan					Bandwidth	Access points are current generation and provide adequate bandwidth.	No recommendations at this time.	
					Wireless Network Segmentation	Unique SSIDs exist for various user groups.		
			Network Security and Monitoring	4.0	1. Firewall	RIC-provided services meet current needs.	No recommendations at this time.	
					2. CIPA Compliance			
					3. Staff/Student Credentials			
					4. Terms of Use (staff, students and guests)			
	Telecom Services		Phone Service	4.0	Analog Telephone Service	Current analog phone service meets district needs.	Ensure compliance with Kari's Law and Ray Baum's Act.	
Missing Co ADVA Co thought			Internet Service	4.0	Internet Service	Spectrum internet services meet district needs.	No recommendations at this time.	

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## **DISTRICT-WIDE SYSTEMS**

#### GRADING KEY

- 4 Excellent. Meets/exceeds district's current and expected needs.
- **3 Good.** Meets district's current needs but upgrades are needed.
- 2 Fair. Minimally meets current needs. Major upgrades are needed.
- **1 Poor**. System is nearing/at end-of-life. Immediate upgrades needed.
- **0 Fail.** System is not installed/implemented at the district.

## COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS

## **CURRENT GRADE**

**1.6** out of 4.0

## **RECOMMENDATIONS**

- Replace building PA systems.
- Evaluate 911 call routing.
- Integrate lockdown messaging with Phone, PA and Security systems.
- Ensure all large assembly areas comply with ADA Listening Assist requirements.

	SYSTEM	SYSTEM GRADE	SYSTEM CATEGORY	CURRENT CONDITION	RECOMMENDED IMPROVEMENTS	
	Public Address (PA)	2.0	General Notes	The district's analog PA systems are at End-Of-Life.	<ol> <li>Replace the PA system with a full IP or IP/analog system as per the CTP Roadmap.</li> <li>Evaluate coverage when designing the new system.</li> <li>Ensure the new system equipment is connected to emergency power.</li> </ol>	
			Coverage	Current coverage is adequate.		
			Standby Power	None on current system.		
า			Bell Schedule	<ul><li>Managed by building Master Clock systems.</li><li>Barclay Bells are activated manually.</li></ul>		
			Initiation Location	Push-to-talk microphones and phone interfaces are used.	Upgrade to IP equipment with the PA system upgrade.	
			Call Button (notifies Main Office)	Call buttons are located in all classrooms and in other locations.	No recommendations at this time.	
	Phone	4.0	General Notes	A VoIP-based Cisco system and handsets are in use with a break/fix refresh policy that meets district needs.	No recommendations at this time.	
			Telephone Location	Cisco VoIP handsets are installed in all classrooms.	Maintain an inventory for break/fix cases.	
			Admin Access to Outside Lines	All administrators have DID numbers.	No recommendations at this time.	
			Voicemail	The current voicemail system is satisfactory.	No recommendations at this time.	
			911 Calls	Any 911 outbound calls alert campus security.	911 calls should also alert designated building administrators.	
			Standby Power	Equipment in MTR is connected to building generators.	No recommendations at this time.	
	Master Clock	2.0	General Notes	A mix of wireless Primex and wired Simplex clocks are used throughout the district.	Upgrade the Master Clock system per the CTP Roadmap.	
			Coverage			
			Time Sources	Current capabilities meet district needs.	Clock systems should be integrated with any upgrades to IP/PA system to maintain seamless integration with the Bell Schedule.	
			Bell Schedule Sync			
	Lockdown	0	Automated Messaging	The district lacks this capability.	Upgrade the phone system to include emergency notification software and integrate with the new PA system.	
	Performance Sound Reinforcement*	0	ADA Assistive Listening Support	ADA compliant devices are not available district wide.	Review ADA requirements for large group assembly areas and procure appropriate equipment.	
			Auto-mute	No auto muting or takeover of performance sound systems was observed.	Install automute/ducking relays as part of the PA update project per the 10-Year Roadmap.	

#### Photos below, left to right:

- 1. Outdated PA headend in the MTR.
- 2. A Large Group Instruction Audio-Enhancement system in the HS.
- 3. An analog clock in a High School corridor.
- 4. A Cisco VoIP handset on a teacher's desk.









\* Audio system devices were only surveyed for presence and systems interoperability. The effectiveness of these systems is beyond the scope of this survey. A more comprehensive survey of district audio systems could be part of an audio assessment conducted by a qualified firm.

## DISTRICT-WIDE SYSTEMS (CONT.)

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	SECURITY SYSTEMS*					SECURITY SYSTEMS
	CURRENT GRADE	SYSTEM	SYSTEM GRADE	SYSTEM CATEGORY	CURRENT CONDITION	RECOMMENDED IMPROVEMENTS
	<ul> <li>2.2 out of 4.0</li> <li>RECOMMENDATIONS</li> <li>Upgrade analog cameras to IP.</li> <li>Expand lockdown system capabilities and integrate with district-wide Communication systems</li> </ul>	Access Control 3.0		General Notes  Locations	Per Ed Law 2D, Section 5,F, 4: "Maintain reasonable administrative, technical and physical safeguards to protect the security, confidentiality and integrity of personally identifiable student information in its custody." (1/1/2021)  Access control alarms are sent to the Security Department.  • The main entrance doors are controlled which meets current needs.  • Perimeter doors are not monitored.	Install door monitoring with notifications.     Replace the broken Middle School card reader.
	<ul> <li>systems.</li> <li>Ensure all systems have access to emergency power.</li> </ul>	Video Surveillance	1.0	General Notes	Card readers are installed at most main and some secondary locations although (1) Middle School reader is not operational.  The current coax-based cameras and system has limited.	Upgrade the video surveillance system to an IP-based controller and
	Monitor building for unauthorized entrances.  * Security system devices were only surveyed.			Equipment & Cabling	<ul> <li>Analog cameras are currently in use.</li> <li>While Cat6 cable was installed throughout the building as part of the 19/'20 Capital Improvement Project, the analog video cameras are still wired with coax cable</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>cameras per the CTP Roadmap.</li> <li>2. As mentioned in 1. Technology Infrastructure, replace the coax cables with Cat6 cable when the system is upgraded.</li> <li>3. Invest in security panels to allow for integration with other security systems.</li> </ul>
for presence and systems interoperability. The effectiveness of these systems is beyond the scope of this survey. A more comprehensive survey of district security systems could be part of a security assessment conducted by a qualified firm.				Coverage	<ul> <li>School Building: Generally adequate except at the Middle School due to (2) broken cameras.</li> <li>Parking lots: All buildings have adequate video coverage.</li> </ul>	<ol> <li>Replace the (2) broken cameras in the Middle School with IP-base models per the CTP Roadmap.</li> <li>Install cameras at TR entrances as per recommendations.</li> <li>Maintain other refresh cycles as per the CTP Roadmap.</li> </ol>
		Lockdown	3.0	Lockdown Initiation	All school greeters have a physical initiation button at their desks.	Consider a mobile application for designated district staff.
	Photos below, left to right:  1. A typical card reader and video	Intrusion Alarm	0	Door Monitoring	No door perimeter intrusion system is installed.	Install door contacts at all exterior perimeter doors to monitor for forced open/propped open status.
	intercom installed at an exterior door.			Motion Detection	No security motion detectors were observed except Transportation.	No recommendations at this time.
	Video Surveillance monitors are located in the District Office.     A typical Lockdown Initiation button			Battery Backup	Not applicable as no system is installed.	If an Intrusion Detection system is installed, ensure that it has a battery backup or is connected to a UPS unit.



3. A typical Lockdown Initiation button in the HS Main Office.

4. Analog video surveillance equipment

Visitor Entry



**Entrance Locations** 

**Battery Backup** 

4.0



All locations have video intercoms installed.

The system has a battery backup.



No recommendations at this time.

## **DISTRICT-WIDE SYSTEMS (CONT.)**

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INSTRUCTIONAL TECHNOLOGIES INSTRUCTIONAL TECHNOLOGIES						
CURRENT GRADE 2.3 out of 4.0  RECOMMENDATIONS  • Upgrade remaining SMARTBoards.  • Deploy Classroom Audio Enhancement systems district wide.	SYSTEM	SYSTEM GRADE	SYSTEM CATEGORY	CURRENT CONDITION	RECOMMENDED IMPROVEMENTS	
	Integrated AV Systems	3.0	Displays	<ul> <li>Dell 70 Interactive Flat Panels (IFPs) are currently used throughout the District.</li> <li>Approximately (20) SMARTBoards still need to be replaced.</li> </ul>	<ol> <li>Continue with the current initiative to refresh some IFPs each year</li> <li>Further the use of audio reinforcement in the classroom.</li> <li>Establish a Classroom audio system and maintain refresh cycle.</li> <li>Maintain the refresh cycles as per the 10-Year Roadmap.</li> </ol>	
		0	Classroom Audio-Enhancement	<ul> <li>No classroom audio reinforcement systems are installed.</li> <li>The district provides equipment to students based on their IEPs which meets needs.</li> </ul>	4. Maintain the refresh cycles as per the 10-real hoadinap.	
district wide.		4.0	Document Cameras	HD document cameras are in every classroom which meet district needs.		

## Photos, left to right:

- 1. Outdated SMARTboards (inset) have largely been upgraded to Interactive Flat Panels (IFPs) in the past few years.
- 2. A typical HD document camera in an ES classroom.





**TEACHER & ADMIN TECHNOLOGY** 

2. Existing Conditions and Recommended Improvements (cont.)

# **DISTRICT-WIDE SYSTEMS (CONT.)**

**GRADING KEY** 

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Current refresh policy meets district needs.

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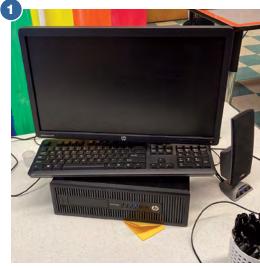
6. STUDENT DEVICES					STUDENT DEVICES
CURRENT GRADE 2.8 out of 4.0	SYSTEM SYSTEM GRADE SY		SYSTEM CATEGORY	CURRENT CONDITION	RECOMMENDED IMPROVEMENTS
	PCs/Laptops/Tablets	2.8	Hardware	Student desktops are older devices.  The student desktops are older devices.	Update the Tech Lab desktops to support required programs.
RECOMMENDATIONS				<ul> <li>There are (2) labs that have about 25 devices each.</li> <li>Student Devices:</li> </ul>	2. Maintain refresh cycles per the CTP Roadmap.
Review tech programs and				- Pre-K - 3: iPads	
upgrade hardware to support				<ul> <li>4 −12: ChromeBooks of which approx.500 are new</li> </ul>	
district needs.			Antivirus	RIC-provided services meet district needs.	No recommendations at this time.

#### 7. TEACHER & ADMIN TECHNOLOGY SYSTEM **CURRENT GRADE** SYSTEM GRADE **SYSTEM CATEGORY RECOMMENDED IMPROVEMENTS CURRENT CONDITION 2.7** out of 4.0 2.0 A mix of outdated Windows desktops and current iMac desktops are **Teacher Computing Hardware** 1. Desktops are schedule to be upgraded to laptops. **Devices** 2. Maintain refresh cycles per the CTP Roadmap. **RECOMMENDATIONS** RIC-provided services meet district needs. **Antivirus** No recommendations at this time. Upgrade outdated laptops and desktops. Technology Refresh The district lacks a consistent refresh policy for these devices. Maintain refresh cycles as shown in the CTP Roadmap. Establish and maintain **Admin Computing** 2.0 Hardware About half of the Admin desktop devices are obsolete and out of Upgrade the obsolete desktops and maintain the refresh cycles per the consistent refresh policies. **Devices** CTP Roadmap. warranty/service. **Antivirus** RIC-provided services meet district needs. No recommendations at this time. **Technology Refresh** The district lacks a consistent refresh policy for these devices. Maintain refresh cycles per the CTP Roadmap. **Copiers and Printers** Copiers The current RIC-leased equipment meets district needs. No recommendations at this time. 4.0 The current RIC-leased equipment meets district needs. **Printers** No recommendations at this time.

Meets district needs.

## Photos left to right:

- 1. A teacher's classroom desktop in a classroom.
- 2. A typical classroom printer.
- 3. A newer iMac teacher desktop with a classroom laser printer.





**Technology Refresh** 

**Technology Refresh** 



3. 10-Year Comprehensive Technology Roadmap (cont.)

# 3. 10-Year Comprehensive Technology Roadmap

# 1.1 Upgrade/build out/relocate TRs \$350,000 ALL CIP 2022/23 2023/24 2024/25

#### **EXAMPLE ROADMAP PROJECT**

This Telecom Room upgrade project:

- Has an ROM cost estimate of \$350,000.
- Will occur over two full academic years (22/23 & 23/24).
- Will apply to all district buildings.
- Will be funded by a Capital Improvement Project.
- Supports the District's Scalable Technology Infrastructure goal.

#### About the District's 10-Year Technology Roadmap

The 10-Year Comprehensive Technology Roadmap on the following pages provides a one-page snapshot of the District's total ten-year spending on technology including:

- Identified technology projects needed to meet strategic needs
- Rough Order of Magnitude (ROM) estimated cost
- Duration and year(s)
- Applicable district building(s)
- Alignment with a District long-term goal.

The 10-Year Roadmap (example project entry shown at left) was developed specifically for the District based on a number of sources:

- The *Technology Conditions Survey* of district buildings, as per section 2 of this report, *Existing Conditions and Recommended Improvements*.
- Interviews with and data from district department staff including Superintendent, Instructional, Technology, Facilities, and Business.
- Past and current projects, budgets, and expenses.
- Telecom Room Master Plan (section 3).

Projects are shown in priority order with the first goal, Technology Infrastructure, having the highest priority as all other goals are reliant on it.

## **Equipment Lifespans and Refresh Cycles**

Unlike many Architectural, Mechanical, Electrical, and Plumbing systems, Technology systems, components and devices have much shorter usable lives. For example, while a well-maintained boiler could be expected to run efficiently for 20 years or more, even a well-cared for network server or switch is only good for 5 – 7 years.

The shorter lifespans of technology devices—also driven by improvements in computing—require seemingly endless "refresh cycles" to constantly keep equipment up to date.

This is especially true for student computing devices such as ChromeBooks and iPads which have about a 3-year replacement cycle due to breakage.

#### **Funding Sources and Purchasing Paths**

Available from local, state, and federal sources, district funding and purchasing paths are an alphabet soup of acronyms: SSBA, E-RATE, BOCES CIP, COP, SAFE.

As shown below in a partial list, each source/path has restrictions on what it can be used to fund. Some sources will only fund infrastructure or learning devices while others only apply to services like internet access or network components.

The 10-Year Roadmap on the next page accounts for these qualifications and restrictions to optimize all available sources and paths available to the district.

Each technology project on the 10-Year Roadmap aligns with one or more long-term district goals to take a strategic approach to project funding



## **Summary of Funding Sources/Purchasing Paths for K12 Technology Projects**

SOURCE/PATH	DESCRIPTION	QUALIFYING SYSTEMS		NOTES	DISTRICT GOAL(S) SUPPORTED
American Rescue Plan	One-time federal funding source for Covid relief	<ul><li>Infrastructure</li><li>Communications</li><li>Security</li></ul>	<ul><li>Classroom systems</li><li>Computing devices</li><li>Consultants</li></ul>	Available funds must be used by Dec. 31, 2024	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8
Board of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES)	NYS-subsidized purchasing path	Discounted equipment and services		Usually requires the purchase of additional BOCES services that may outweigh the financial discounts.	2 5 6 7 8
Capital Improvement Project (CIP)	District funding source	Infrastructure and other systems		Requires community referendum as part of a construction project.	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8
Capital Outlay Project	Per NYSED, a project with a total cost of no more than \$100,000. A district may receive aid for a maximum of one such project in any aid year.	<ul><li>Infrastructure</li><li>Communications</li><li>Security</li></ul>	<ul><li>Classroom systems</li><li>Computing devices</li><li>Consultants</li></ul>	Payments are made over the span of 12 months or more, or funds can be allocated toward the improvement of existing assets.	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8
E-Rate	Two categories of federal funding source for internet connectivity	Category 1. Telecom services including internet and telephone dial-tone access  Category 2. Network equipment including racks, switches and servers		Cannot be used for any devices or equipment.	2
				<ul><li>Cannot be used for any other systems.</li><li>Funds are dispersed in five-year cycles.</li></ul>	
Instructional Material Aid	NYSED program for "Instructional Computer Hardware and Technology Equipment Aid"	<ul><li>Classroom</li><li>Computing devices</li></ul>	<ul><li> Equipment repair</li><li> Systems training</li></ul>	Paid in the spring of the aid year.	5 6 7 8
Operations	District funding source from annual budget	Infrastructure and most other systems		Fully funded by district with no discounted rates.	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8
SAFE Act	Federal funding source	Security systems and devices such as video control, etc.	surveillance cameras, access	Cannot be used for any other systems including infrastructure.	4
Smart School Bond Act (SSBA)	One-time NYS technology funding source from '13 \$2B Bond Act	<ul><li>Infrastructure</li><li>Communications</li><li>Security</li></ul>	<ul><li>Instructional/Classroom</li><li>Computing Devices</li><li>Consultants</li></ul>	<ul> <li>NYS Education Dept. (NYSED) review &amp; approval required which can take 6 – 8 months.</li> <li>Funds never expire and can be applied to multiple projects.</li> </ul>	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

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**FUNDING SOURCES** 

Smart School Bond Act Allocation

Capital Outlay Project

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Technology Reserve

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American Rescue Plan (3.2021): ACSD allocation \$1,208,675

CIP Capital Impr

E-RATE E-Rate

G State Hardware/Software Grants

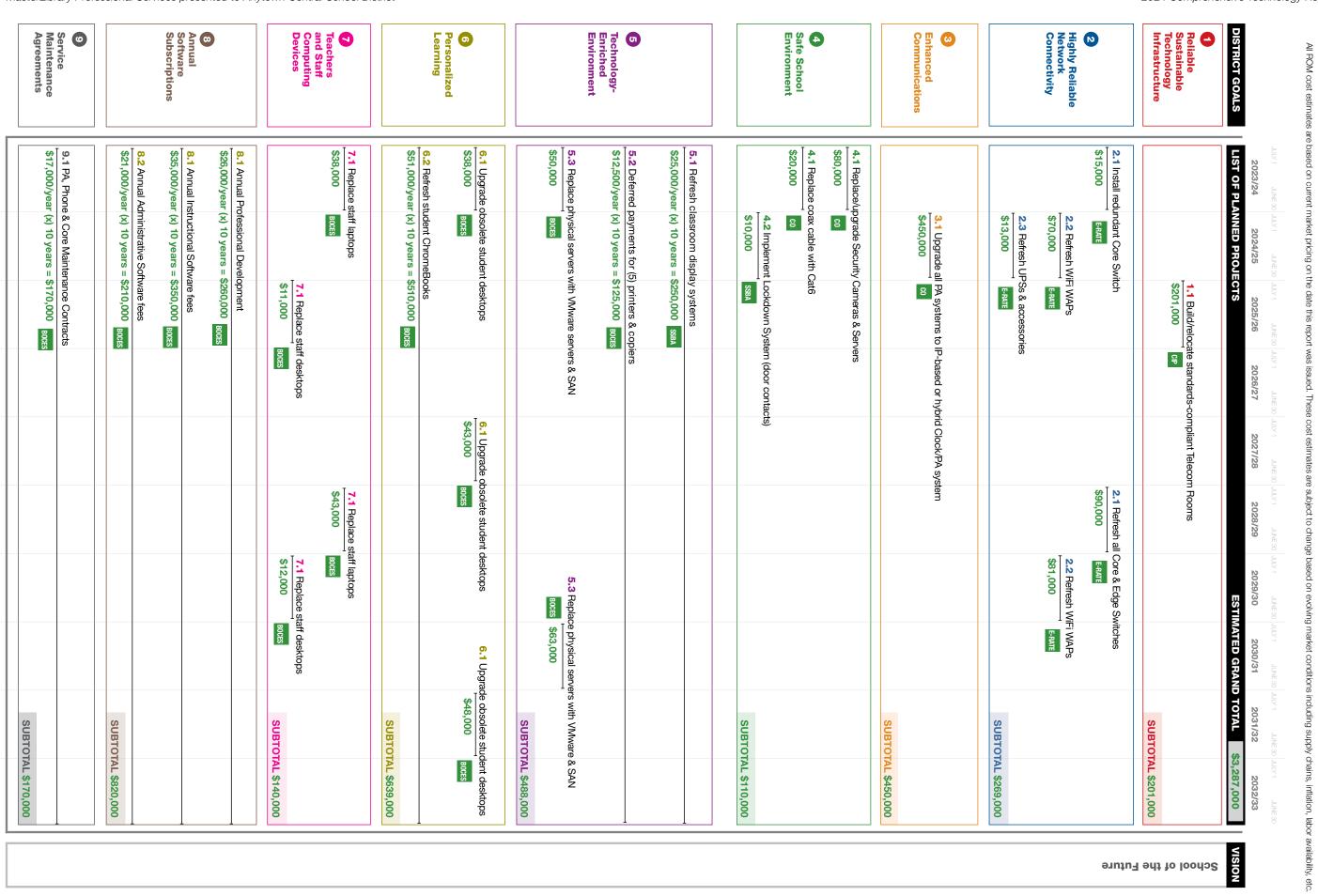
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# Possible Technology Planning Services Funding Sources

Our Technology Planning services examine all District buildings to objectively assess current technology conditions, recommend improvements, and estimate the rough cost of those improvements.



#### **NYSED Building Aid**

- NYSED Building Aid can be used to fund our Planning services when conducted the same year as a district's Building Conditions Survey.
- The final Report must be delivered the same calendar year.
- Our services can be billed through the Architect Of Record or directly to the district.



## **BOCES Cooperative Services**

- Cooperative Service Agreements (CoSers) are available for our Planning services from a number of upstate NY BOCES including MORIC, CNYRIC, Monroe One, and WNYRIC.
- The district's normal NYSED Aid rate is applied when purchasing our services via a BOCES.



## **Capital Project Incidental Cost**

- The Incidental Costs of a Capital Improvement Project can be used to fund our Planning services when conducted at the start of the project.
- This provides for an objective assessment of current conditions so systems can be designed and constructed more efficiently and effectively.

Your District may be eligible for other funding options (e.g., grants) based on its specific circumstances.

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