



MEHLVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT TECHNICIANS RE-IMAGE 3,500 LAPTOPS

Mehlvil School District technology officials are working in the weeks before school starts to re-image as many as 3,500 district laptop computers. Two-thousand of the laptops are used in the student 1-to-1 Program.

Director of Technology Services Steven Lee said technicians can image 50-100 laptops at a time. Each batch takes about twenty minutes. "Five-hundred laptops are destined for Oakville High School," said Lee. "There are another one-thousand, plus, being imaged there. We prepare them, clean them from last year's usage, and make sure they have all the necessary software."

That includes making sure each computer has all the Windows operating systems, printer drivers, student software, and the current versions of web browsers and security products.

"Technicians open every laptop, test the hard drive, make sure the keypads are in good shape, clean them, and remove any stickers students may have put on them last year," said Lee. "If any need repair they are pulled aside and worked on."

Lee said technicians wait to do the work two or three weeks before school starts so that the most recent security patches are installed and to make sure fewer updates will be necessary when students start using the computers in mid-August.

Lee said one-third of the computers are brand new, and the remaining two-thirds were used over the past two years. "Currently we have enough laptops for all freshmen, sophomores, and juniors for the 2014-15 school year. By the beginning of the 2015-16 school year, every high school student will have a laptop."

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