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## NPS Technology - \$1,050,000

Prior to the pandemic, the Newton Public Schools had invested heavily in technology and various types of computers for both students and educators. During the pandemic, NPS expanded the program so all students from Kindergarten on had an age-appropriate computer/laptop loaded with educational software. Learning could be done remotely, homework would be facilitated, communicating between teachers and students improved, and in-class pedagogy and individualized learning supported. During 2021-2022-2023, Newton Public Schools continues to update their Chromebook program for students and classrooms and make several one-time technology infrastructure improvements, including improving their complex network. In addition, NPS made hotspots available to students to allow better internet access from home, facilitating remote learning and communication.