

Rochester Technology Department

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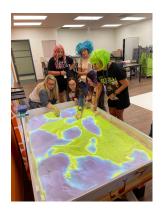
October 2024 Board Report

*Thompson Electronics has installed new door access controls at the RHS and RJHS campuses to align with the systems already in place at the RES campus and RIS. New intercoms with master stations have been added, allowing secretaries to communicate with the Student Services door, Door 5, the RAC, and the RJHS main entrance. Additionally, new card readers have been installed outside the cafeteria doors and at the District Office. The final phase of the project, focusing on the courtyard, will be completed in the coming weeks. This upgraded system includes enhanced safety features and the ability to schedule certain doors to be open using the Google Calendar feature, which will be especially useful for auditorium and sporting events.

*CTI successfully installed new fiber optic cabling from the high school building to the District Office in anticipation of construction activities. This upgrade was necessary due to the loss of access to the previously installed fiber located outside the MPR.

*The Central Illinois STEM Fair will be held on Wednesday, April 9, 2025 so mark your calendars for the fabulous event hosted in the Rochester Athletic Facility. More information to come!

*An ActiveFloor and Interactive Sandbox were installed at the EC-1 building. The teachers had fun exploring during training and they are excited about using the new technology with their students.







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*Students are taking part in STEM across the district with Mrs. Zeidler and Mrs. Tinder.

RHS~ Students are coding with CodeHS and using the new VEX Robotic Kits.

RJHS~Makerspace students are constructing arcades.

RIS~ Classes are visiting the makerspace and 4th graders are learning about 3D printing.

RES EC-1 and 2-3~ Students completed STEM activities with a DOT Day theme.

