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CONNECTIVITY SURVEY RESULTS

The Westerly Public Schools recently requested input from parents into how families use technology in the home. The school System intends to use these findings when making decisions regarding our respective Technology Plan and District Strategic Plans in the future. Full Results can be found here: [RESULTS](#)

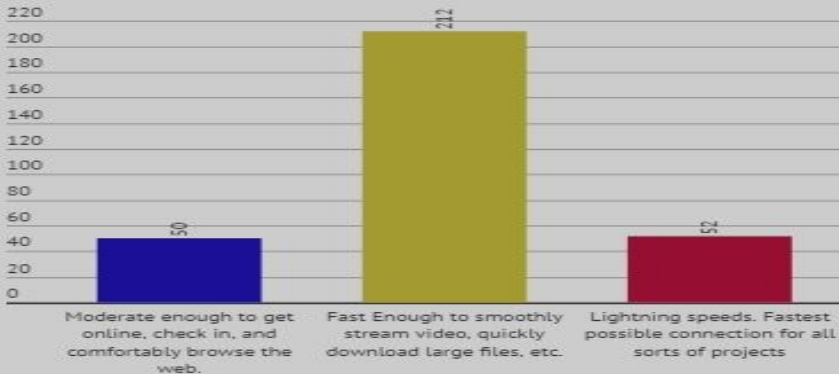
Here are some of the highlights:

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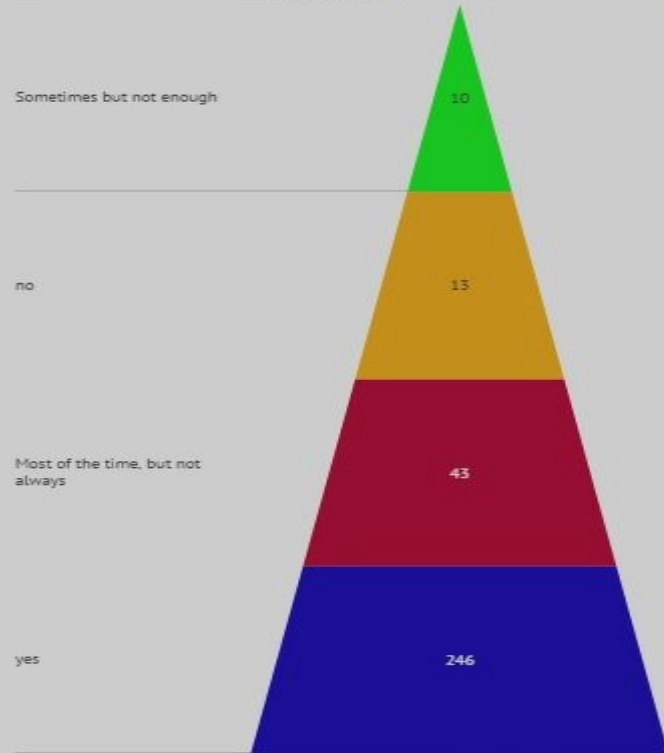
Westerly Connection Speeds: What speed do you feel you need in the home for student success?

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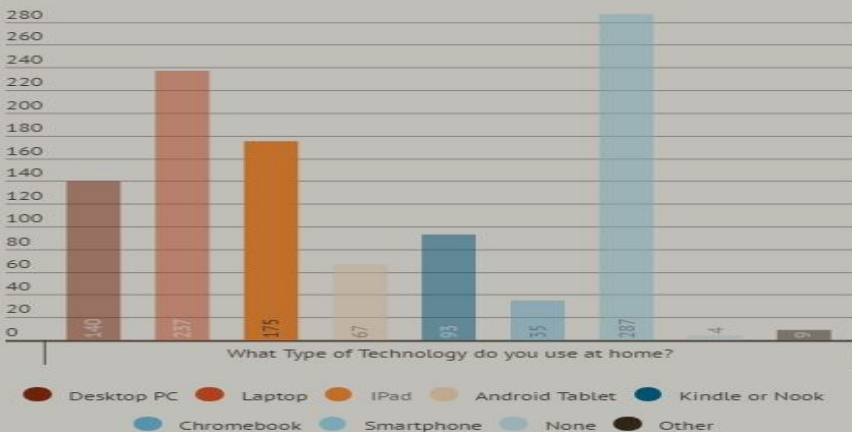


Home Connectivity Satisfaction: Do you have access to this speed in your home?

★★★★★



Westerly Device Use In the Home



“ Man is still the most extraordinary computer of all. ”
John F. Kennedy

Advances in computer technology and the Internet have changed the way America works, learns, and communicates. The Internet has become an integral part of America's economic, political, and social life.

Bill Clinton

GOOGLE TIPS AND TRICKS: YOUTUBE

Part of our Google Apps for Education Suite includes YouTube as it was bought out by Google in November of 2006.

YouTube Editor: You don't have to shoot your own video to create a video on YouTube! Use clips from existing videos with YouTube Editor. Drag video clips in order. Decide how much of them you want to play. Add music or audio. When you're done, your creation is uploaded to YouTube.

<https://www.youtube.com/editor>



YouTube Slide Show: You can do the same thing with images. Click the "Slide Show" icon from the "Upload" screen on YouTube.

<https://www.youtube.com/slideshow>

SKYWARD UPDATES

We have recently added the Skyward Professional Development Center (PDC), Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ), Skyward's Sandbox, and video tutorial links on our District Page. You can locate it under Employees / Skyward Information. You will need to sign in first on the webpage to have access to the links. Additionally, we appreciate everyone who is completing the assigned PDC courses. Remember, if you

do not score the necessary percentage on the modules, you will have to come in on the June 27th Virtual PD day. The PDC, in conjunction with Sandbox, is the perfect go to source for all the training, videos, and interactive exploring of Skyward. We have also created teacher accounts in the PDC so individuals can now play around with the gradebook and the learn-

ing management suite (LMS). A separate email will go out that will include the credentials to log in as a teacher, to see the secondary and/or standards gradebook and more. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact IT @ 401-315-1550 or your building administrator.

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