

Parkland School District Upgrades to Smart Classrooms with 200+ Hitachi Projectors

Parkland School District's mission is to ensure that students are empowered with success strategies for lifelong learning. That's why Robert Uhl, Telecommunication Specialist, has worked to fit eight of eleven schools with smart classrooms including Hitachi's CP-TW2505 interactive projectors.

Parkland School District is made up of eleven schools including eight elementary schools, two middle schools and one high school and Uhl oversees the classroom and other AV equipment for the entire district. On top of the eight schools with smart classroom technology, Uhl also helps with the technology in the TV studios for the student-produced morning show and the digital signage used throughout the schools.

"We've been involved with Hitachi for well over a decade," says Uhl. "Before the CP-TW2505s, we had other Hitachi projectors tied into the Hitachi's Starboard technology that we installed about ten years prior. The new projectors give us many more options

with how it interacts with other technology. We often use Video Over IP in some classrooms for the morning shows, and also use the projector to watch cable networking throughout the day. We still use standard TVs in most classrooms, but all classrooms are smart."

Uhl says that one of the best parts of the upgrade for teachers is that they get to utilize the entirety of their whiteboards again. "With the Starboard program we were using before, we had to mount it onto the white board in the classrooms, which took away a considerable amount of whiteboard space. Now, teachers are able to enjoy the benefits of an interactive projector while also utilizing their entire whiteboard space."

Right now, Parkland School District has well over 200 Hitachi projectors including approximately 180 interactive and 30 standard projectors. This summer, Uhl is looking to complete the upgrade in the last three schools in the district.



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