



Strategic Discussion of Advanced Internet with the Lonestar Education and Research Network

On **September 28, 2016**, Frankie Jackson, Paula Ross, and Oscar Villar met with representatives from the Lonestar Education and Research Network (LEARN), Polly Gifford (EPS), and several other Houston area districts to have a strategic discussion about advanced Internet, Cloud and Transport Services and networking in the Houston area. The meeting was hosted at Spring Branch ISD.



The following includes the meeting objectives:

- To gain a shared understanding of the current Houston K12 Leading Districts Network and Internet Architectures with Costs
- To discuss current needs, strategies and priorities for large district services.
- To learn of LEARN Roadmap, Network Architecture Plan and Services.
- Discuss strategy for delivery and cost
- Fiber WAN/MAN Design
- Internet Design for Capacity, Scalability, and Reliability
- Internet Cost
- Cloud and Cloud Strategy
- Data Center Strategy and High Availability,
- Disaster Recovery and Business Continuity
- Managed Services
- Co-location for Internet and Cloud Point of Presence