

Technology plan 2015-16

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5 Year plan

- Concept began in 2005
- Year "10" of 5 year plan
- Equipment purchased with a 5* year lease
 - At the conclusion of the 5th year, all of the equipment is replaced from year one using the same dollar amount already in the budget
- All equipment is replaced every five years without an increase in the budget

*may be 3 or 4 year lease depending on the type of equipment purchase



2105-16 Budget purchases

- Purchase 1,000 new iPads
 - All students in K-12 will receive an ipad
 - Still developing K-2 usage
 - Purchase includes a 'hard case'
- Purchase new MAC lab at HS
- Purchase of "Small lab" at Jackson
- Increased software allocation
 - School4One, LightSail, apps



Professional Development

- Supporting the implementation of technology
 - Mandated time available in the teacher contract
 - 24-50 minute periods after school
 - Principals create an itunes U course to help teachers manage
 - 2 Superintendent conference days
 - 1 is the first day of school
 - All other times teachers must be compensated for their time. Even if compensation is offered teachers are not required to participate
 - Only way to guarantee all teachers participate is to periodically cover them for a ½ dayfor an in service PD
 - This is a common practice across the County



Management Efficiency Grant

- Last year of a 3 year allocation
- \$213,000 each year
- This year we upgraded all of our switches
 - Increased current and future capabilities to increase bandwidth to each WAP



SMART Schools Money

- Mineola allocation = \$576,879
- Guidance just released
 - Will develop a plan commensurate with our needs
 - We already meet the minimum bandwidth requirement as well as 1:1 devices
 - Need to resolve 'keyboard issue'
- Money may be used for pre-K
- Also received \$14,244 from NYS Instructional Technology program
 - Limited to tablet devices- allows for 37 additional iPads



Program Evaluation

- How can we tell our investment in technology has an affect on student engagement and achievement?
 - Staff, Parent and Student surveys
 - Examine pre/post NWEA scores for targeted skills (standards) in eSpark app
 - Examine actual student work in the standards using School 4 One app
 - Classroom observations
- No cost/partnership pilots- LightSail, School4One,eSpark, Knowing science
 - Recognized by Software & Information Industry Association (SIIA) as a best practice. Ms. Burns represented District in San Francisco
- Not effective- don't do it
 - Engrade software didn't do what the company said it did- stopped implementation with a FULL refund