

Tech Committee
Agenda
11/9/2015

1.) Updates

- a. NetSmartz on websites and in newsletters ✓
- b. Vacuuming projectors ✓
- c. Tech etiquette with teachers and students ✓
- d. Tech maps – There are tech requirements for E-rate funding, so please remind teachers of the importance. There is a wiki and sign paper to confirm we are doing internet safety to help with this.

2.) Hot Topics:

- a. Google Apps for Education – Teachers have GAE and Joe distributed the directions for this.
 - b. Google for Education versus Microsoft Office 365 – A discussion was had about the benefits of both programs. Some teachers are beginning to use GAE at the high school. Microsoft Office 365 is newer so it is still in more of a pilot phase. Each student or teacher with Microsoft Office 365 can have up to 5 devices linked to their account. It was decided that we should start inquiring with teachers and trying some of these programs ourselves to decide if we should be utilizing one within the classroom.
- 3.) Teacher AUP – A question was raised about how often teachers should be signing an AUP. Teachers should sign every year, so we need to check with principals/secretaries to see if staff have been signing the AUP. Then, it was suggested could we do this electronically through something like Google Forms.
- 4.) The committee was reminded that we are implementing a change in passwords once a year and this will be coming soon.
- 5.) A thought about televisions in the classrooms with something like Apple TV or Chromecast. Would these be beneficial in the classroom? How might they be utilized?
- 6.) Next Meeting Date: February 22