

District



Technology Integration

In addition to providing new constructions at our different school sites, Measure BB will also allow us to explore new technologies that will be integrated in our new constructions. This year we are piloting Model Technology Classrooms at the five secondary schools. The five teachers selected have worked to develop ways of integrating this technology into their curriculum. Teachers have been working on ways to include document cameras, student laptops and wireless slates into their curriculum. Document cameras are being used to display student work, project proper dissection methods in science and to digitally capture student work for further analysis. One of our teachers was featured in the Santa Monica Daily Press showing ways he is using these new technologies with his students! <http://www.smdp.com/pdf/011409.pdf>

This summer brings a great deal of opportunities with the installation of Technology Model Classrooms at each Elementary School Site. Interested teachers should contact their site administrators for recommendations and application into the program. Applications due June 5, 2009.

Put that iPod Away!

Not in Mrs. Kilpatrik's room! Mrs. Kilpatrik teaches Special Education at John Adams Middle School and focuses on Reading and Literacy. Her room has been equipped to run an interactive independent reading intervention program. Read 180 is a program that provides intensive, differentiated skills practice to motivated struggling students. iPods have been integrated into the independent reading component of read 180 which allows struggling students to build reading comprehension while listening to Audiobooks. Reading Success!



iPod

Data Director

Did you know???????

Over 90% of SMMUSD teachers and administrators have used *DataDirector* at least once?

75% of SMMUSD teachers and administrators have used *DataDirector* at least once **since school began on Sept. 2, 2008?**

Over 60% of SMMUSD teachers and administrators have used *DataDirector* at least once **since the beginning of the second semester?**

You will have the ability to develop and create your own assessments that can be scanned on to Data Director at your local school site? Look for this coming in the Fall of 2009!



County



Instructional Technology Workshops-LACOE



LA county teachers can find low cost technology workshops offered through LA County Office of Education Instructional Technology Outreach division.

<http://ito.lacoe.edu/workshops/>

21st Century LEARNERS Symposium

21st Century Learners Symposium-October 23, 2009, CALSTATE LA

LA County Office of Education Instructional Technology Outreach convenes the Symposium each fall for classroom teachers, school principals, district administrators and state leadership, all interested in meeting the needs of learners in the 21st Century. The October 23, 2009 event will feature keynote and featured speakers, hands on presentations and workshops, and exhibit area featuring innovative instructional technology tools and services. See website for further information:

<http://ito.lacoe.edu/symposium/>

Digital Voice Awards-LACOE



Have your students created great technology projects? Consider entering them in to the LACOE Digital Voice Awards for the upcoming year. Student-made curricular projects may be entered in up to two award categories and may be created with a variety of technology tools, which are listed on the entry form. Look at this year's winners!

Deadline: TBD in 2010

<http://ito.lacoe.edu/dva/>

National



Best Buy Teach Awards (Check website in July 2009 for next deadline)

Best Buy Teach Awards range from \$1000 to 10,000 to schools to sustain or enhance existing educational programs. Teach Award winners are selected based on teacher application describing how they incorporate student use of technology in their classroom. Check the website in July 2009 for next year's eligibility:

<http://tinyurl.com/TeachAwards>

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