Technology Integration News

Ideas to Help You Thrive!

Technology Integration Training & Coaching Center
The Complicated Made Simple

IN THIS ISSUE

Welcome!

Welcome to the very first edition of Linden Unified's *Technology Integration News*!

What is it all about? Technology, technology, technology. Have you been hearing this lately? It seems to be the new buzzword around here and, from what I have seen, has come with a good measure of confusion.

OK, I have this technology, now what? Am I doing what I am supposed to be doing? What if I do not have what I need? How do I use what I do have? Will someone ding me for not "doing it right"? What is a technology coach good for, anyways? Do you know of some good aps for me to use? What about ..... ? And so on.

Those questions (and many more) will eventually be answered either in this newsletter or on the TTCC Blog. You will notice this PDF newsletter has clickable links as well as the ability for you to print and read later ... you know, during your, uh, "free" time. And that will be one of the main issues we will continue to tackle here: how to integrate technology at an effective level without adding extra time to your already busting at the seams work day.

In this inaugural issue, the help available to you will be reviewed as well as a couple of cool tips for effective technology integration.
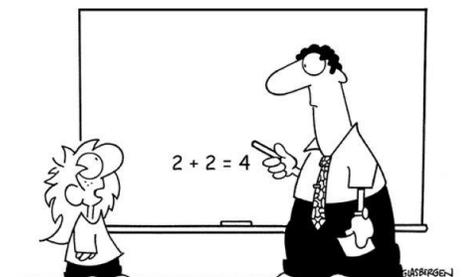
And yes, I am looking for articles from you who are "in the trenches", using technology as a tool for more effective and efficient student learning. Share what you know to help others!

So, continue to do what you do best and always be on the lookout for ways to get even better!

At your service,

David :)

"How can I trust your information when you're using such outdated technology?"

The Technology Training & Coaching Center

A Place to Learn & Grow
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The *Technology Integration Training & Coaching Center* website is a service to classroom teachers chock full of ways to help you integrate technology with learning in your classroom.

That might be a website, video, idea, or some other way to help you move up to your next level of technology integration.

With all of the ideas available, try to commit to fully implementing one per week or month depending on your style and comfort level.

There are videos and printable PDF documents to help you with Google Classroom, Drive, and Chromebooks; iPads; OARS; Typing; and various classroom tools to help you get to your next level of effective technology integration!

The available content will continue to grow over the coming months and years as I respond to what you need and want.

So, go take a look and let me know what you think and suggest something I should add that would be valuable to you!

WEBSITE HIGHLIGHTS

Self-Paced Training

Individualized Training & Coaching

Examples of Technology Integration

The One Idea Blog

Got Typing?

The biggest foundational technology skill that is being asked for all over the country these days is good solid typing skills. With the emphasis now being placed on using desktops, laptops, Chromebooks and more, it is has become a must that students master effective keyboarding habits – before high school!

Using a typical typing program or game that teaches dependency on looking at the monitor or keyboard develops hard to break bad habits.

In contrast, The Typing Coach uses a student centered, systematic approach that quickly weans students away from looking at the keyboard. It is the most effective and efficient way to learn.

This successful audio and video method was developed by a typing teacher who adapted his unique style to this individually self-paced online course that really works!

Learn more and how to get started at the TTCC website!

From The Blog

A Technology Integrating Example

Are you just getting started with using technology as a teaching strategy? Or maybe you could use a fresh approach. Watch this video as a new teacher plans and executes a lesson improved by technology.

A Technology Toolkit for Social Studies Teachers

From King Louis XVI to President Herbert Hoover, Social Studies teachers introduce their students to leaders who resisted change. Rather than emulating these failed leaders, Social Studies teachers should model growth and evolution. In this e-book, Tom Mullaney and **Matthew** Farber explain how Social Studies teachers can use educational technology to modernize and improve the student experience and improve student learning. Download this free e-book.

Visit the TTCC Blog for many more ideas!

Hungry for More? Try a Sampler!

So here we are. New technology furiously coming in, expectations increasing; some teachers feel they got it all down, while others as if they have no clue. And now we need to learn how to use it effectively … but what? What do I ask David to help me with? Where do I start?

If this describes you, then have I a treat for you! The Technology Training & Coaching Center is proud to announce *Technology Tidbits*, fast paced and informative 15 minutes or less live sessions that will give you a taste of ways to integrate the technology you have with your student learning goals.

Here are some topics available to chew on:

A Fun Way to Teach Vocabulary
What is Effective Technology Integration?
How to Organize Your Files and Bookmarks
Integrating Technology with a Specific Subject
How to Teach Typing Effectively
Blended Learning Examples
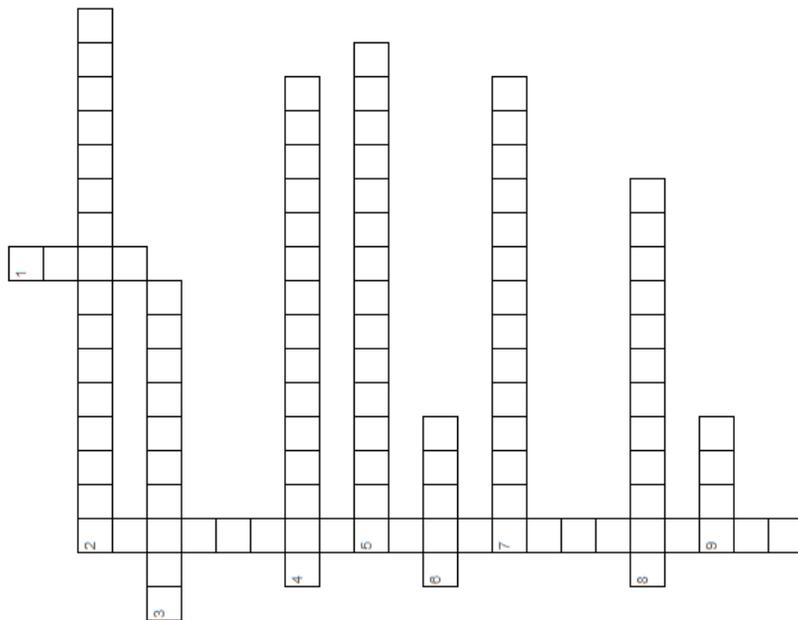Create Your Own Topic
Teach Students to Evaluate Websites

Each session explores one new way to integrate technology into the classroom and are available for staff meetings, grade level teams, department meetings, even individually; or invite me to your staff party and … OK, that went too far. Be creative, though, and learn one new idea to expand on or adapt to meet your own teaching style, as well as the learning styles of your students.

Follow up personalized coaching is always available as well as expanded training sessions to go deeper.

Book your Technology Tidbit session with David today! Afterwards, please email me the Tidbit topic for your event.

Book Next Year's Training and Classroom Technology Modeling Today Before the Best Dates Are Taken!

Technology Integration

Across

2 Your Technology Integration Website

3 General Term for All Computing Devices

4 Mixing Technology With Learning

5 A blended learning app for teachers to simplify creating, distributing and grading assignments in a paperless way.

6 Something bad that comes with a download if you are not careful.

7 The document tha lays out the District guidance for technology use.

8 Your Technology Integration Coach

9 International Society for Technology in Education

Down

1 See this man when you need your computer fixed.

2 the use of technology tools in general content areas in education in order to allow students to apply computer and technology skills to learning and problem-solving.

The answers are on the blog, but try it first without looking!

Puzzle made at http://learning.zahnerhistory.com/2016/04/making-your-own-crossword-puzzles.html