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ND ETC

ND ETC LEGISLATIVE REPORTING

The ND ETC will be working extensively during the ND Legislative session to track the introduction and progress of education related bills. The weekly reports will be posted to the TECO and ED-LEAD email lists beginning in January and continuing throughout the 63rd assembly of the North Dakota Legislature. Questions regarding legislative issues can be directed to Darin King, ETC Director at darking@nd.gov

SCHOOL technology Planning

Schools will need to submit an updated technology plan for 2013-2016. Local planning teams should begin the process by reviewing the currently approved 2010-2013 technology plan for their district. The requirements and directions for submitting technology plans are found at www.ndetc.kl2.nd.us/programs-and-activities/school-technology-plans/.

Contact Deborah Janzen 701-231-6009 or Email to request changes in who has EDIT or REVIEW privileges.

Technology plans may be submitted anytime, but are due May 15, 2013.

Contact Darin King, Email or 701-231-6032 or Deborah Janzen with your questions.

DATA STEWARD ACTIVITIES

The 'Teacher of Record' team has concluded its initial work. The team worked on defining key terms necessary for establishing a clear teacher-student data link.

The work in December included cleaning PowerSchool data particularly related to entry/exit data. If a student enrolled in your district but never attended school, please submit a help desk ticket to remove the student from PowerSchool.

Cory will be presenting for a variety of groups during January. He is developing SLDS training for school personnel.

For more information see the Data Steward Page on the ND ETC website. www.ndetc.k12.nd.us/programs-and-activities/data-steward-corner/

JANUARY ETC MEETING

The next ETC meeting will be held Thursday, January 31, 2013 from 1:00-4:00 pm via ITV. The ITV sites include:

- Beulah: Board Room in the High School, 204 5th ST N
- Bismarck: Capitol, ITD CIO's office, 600 E. Boulevard Ave
- Cavalier: Pembina County Extension Office ITV Room, 301 Dakota Street W.
- Fargo: ND CDE Conference Room 200, 1510 12th Ave N
- Grand Forks: Education Center Conference Room, 2400 47th Ave S
- Minot: Administration Board Room, 215 2nd St SE
- Oakes: Board Room in the High School, 804 Main St
- Towner: Superintendent's Office 302 2nd St NE

KEEP CURRENT WITH BLOGS

Darin King, ETC Director, and Cory Steiner, Data Steward, have blogs to keep educators informed of ETC and Data activities. Darin's blog is <u>blogs.edutech.nodak.edu/darin-king/</u>. Cory's blog is <u>blogs.edutech.nodak.edu/corysteiner/</u> He posts a new entry every Monday.

ND Center for Distance Education

COLLEGE ENTRANCE EXAM PREPARATION COURSE OFFERED

The College Entrance Exam Preparation (CEEP) course offered by ND Center for Distance Education prepares students for ACT or other college entrance exams. The course also works toward mastery of the subject matter concepts in each of the ACT Exam sections – Math, English, Reading, History, and Science. For the \$65.00 course fee the student receives practice tests, strategies for test taking and study guidelines plus comprehensive content preparation.

For more information and enrollment access click on www.ndcde.org/ACT-Prep-Program.aspx

ONLINE STEM CLUB FOR GIRLS

The STEM CLUB includes homework help, technology discussions, and opportunities to work on technology projects. The online STEM CLUB is provided at no charge.

Participants will receive:

- Homework help (Wednesdays)
- Invitation only access to weekly live tech discussions (Tuesday evenings)
- · Access to role models, monthly speaker series and optional projects
- Students participate live, online and are invited to join networking groups
- Discounted prices for one-on-one tutoring
- Enhancement for college applications

Scholarships for ND CDE related courses may be available for girls participating in STEM CLUB.

The ND Center for Distance Education has partnered with Byron Academy for this school year to provide our young women with additional exposure and engagement opportunities in science and technology.

To learn more and join for free www.byronacademy.org students should register under NDCDE. For more information www.ndcde.org/Information/Additional-Programs/Stem-Club-For-Girls.aspx For questions contact Tonya Greywind tonya.greywind@ndcde.org or 701-630-1803.

EduTech

DIGITAL CITIZENSHIP VIDEO CONTEST

EduTech and The Foundation for Rural Service invite ND teachers and students, Grades 5-12, to participate in a contest to raise digital citizenship awareness for K-4 elementary students. EduTech recently received grant monies to assist with contest costs that include a teacher stipend, associated travel expenses and equipment for one school per region.

The winning school will receive \$1000 toward video cameras, movie editing software and EduTech training. Plus: students involved in the winning project win a pizza party, custom designed t-shirts, and iTunes gift cards!

For more detailed information about the contest and to download the flyer blogs.edutech.nodak.edu/grants or contact Tabitha Lang at tabitha.lang@sendit.nodak.edu.

STILL TIME TO SCHEDULE A PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAY FOR YOUR STAFF

EduTech staff members are gearing up for the Martin Luther King Jr training day. Be sure to contact your regional representative ASAP if you wish to reserve a trainer for this day!

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES

EduTech trainers are committed to providing educators continued professional development opportunities by offering a multitude of workshops and presentations delivered through a variety of formats. For more information on any of the workshops listed below contact your EduTech representative today at, www.edutech.nodak.edu/contact. Class offerings include:

- Creating Student Projects on the iPad NEW onsite class! This class focuses on student activities which produce end products, and expose teachers to apps which infuse creativity into curriculum lessons. More information available at, www.edutech.nodak.edu/training/topic/435/.
- ☐ Differentiated Instruction NEW online class This online workshop introduces the concept of differentiated instruction to K-12 classrooms teachers, providing a model for designing a lesson or project that demonstrates differentiation, and suggests techniques and technology that can assist the teacher in differentiating. More information available at, www.edutech.nodak.edu/training/online/
- ERate 471 Help Days Three Form 471 Workday/Help days are scheduled in locations across the state. Workshop cost is free for those that attended a Fall E-rate training. Cost for those that did not attend the fall training is \$50. More information is available at, www.edutech.nodak.edu/training/topic/433/.
- Common Core presentation (free resource) This free resource is available to help facilitate a common core discussion and provide resources. See, <u>blogs.edutech.nodak.edu/commoncore/</u>.
- Online Tools for Administrators Designed to show administrators how to take advantage of online tools and social media for productivity and communication. More information available at, <u>www.edutech.nodak.edu/training/online/</u>
- ☐ Global Information Systems (GIS) is an introduction to the basic components of a GIS and some fundamental concepts that underlie the use of a GIS. More information is available at: www.edutech.nodak.edu/training/topic/419/.

INSTEP EduTech Regional ITS works with educators using a one-on-one differentiated
instruction approach making technology part of their teaching. More information
available at: www.edutech.nodak.edu/training/topic/141/.

EduSites – a powerful tool for school web hosting

More information available at: www.edutech.nodak.edu/services/edusites/.

Online Classes

More information available at, www.edutech.nodak.edu/training/online

Complete listing of EduTech offerings

More information is available on face to face workshops, regional workshops, online workshops, PowerSchool workshops and other events at www.edutech.nodak.edu/training/.

COLLABORATIVE CLASSROOM PROGRAMMING FOR SPRING

Sign up your classroom today for upcoming reading and literacy events Read Around the Planet and Read Across North Dakota, <u>blogs.edutech.nodak.edu/video/</u>. Registration will only be available for a short time so act now so don't miss your opportunity!

Questions on any of the programming or to Register contact Kari Sauer directly by email at kari.sauer@sendit.nodak.edu or by phone at 1.800.804.8550.

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