

Educational Excellence in the Heart of the Mountains

#### Tech Tuesday Update (8/12/14)



# **Upcoming Important Dates**

Week of August 11th – Innovation Coordinators are contacted by their ARI Liaison to schedule the delivery of MacBook Airs to teacher participants in the Next Generation Academy

**August 13th** – Innovation Coordinators Meeting at UPike in CTC Building(119) College Street, Pikeville, KY 41502)

August 18th – MondoPad Training at KVEC offices in Hazard: Breathitt, Letcher, Lee, Jackson, Middlesboro, Owsley, Knott, Wolfe, Harlan, Jenkins, Hazard (See below for more details)

August 18th – Due date for receiving current District Media Release. Please submit to johnny.belcher@pikeville.kyschools.us

**August 19th** – MondoPad Training at Johnson Central High School in Paintsville: Pike, Paintsville, Floyd, Magoffin, Pikeville, Johnson (See below for more details)

**September 1st** – Due Date for Next Generation Classroom Assurance Agreement.

September 19th – ARI Student Senate members receive an iPad Air at the Student Senate Inauguration in the Pike County Judicial Center beginning at 10:00 a.m. Contact kelli.thompson@pike.kyschools.us for further details.

# Questions of the Week



• We noticed on the "1 to 1 Digital Learning Assurance Agreement" there is a place under "Contact Information" and "Required Signatures" that includes

school name and principal signature. Are we required to complete the "1:1 Digital Learning Assurance Agreement" for every school?

Completing one form for your district leaving school and principal signature blank is fine and may be the preferred method of submission. In this case, we would like the narrative to give some detail about what the 1:1 initiative looks like across schools. The narrative section will be shorter if a uniform deployment, but longer if variability exist across schools. If variability is great across schools, districts could elect to fill out a form for each school, whereby the school would be listed with a principal signature. Depends on district approach. Either is fine for the ARI purpose.

 Are we required to submit the Next Generation Classroom Assurance Agreement for every school?

Yes, for all locations receiving a MondoPad unit, please submit by September 1st.

• On the 1 to 1 Assurance Agreement it stated that the agreement must be submitted before reimbursements can be completed. What about the \$7,000 for devices that was part of the Next Generation Classroom Assurance Agreement? Will the Next Generation Classroom Agreement need to be submitted before the \$7,000 can be spent on devices?

The Next Generation Assurance Agreement is to be submitted by September 1st. The \$7,000 may be spent before submission of the assurance, but it is strongly preferred to turn in prior to the reimbursement because of the need for documentation and compliance for USDE(United States Department of Education). Districts can submit invoices that include both the 1 to 1 device expenditures and the \$7,000 next generation device expenditures simultaneously or separately depending on efficiency and expediency for their needs. Our goal is to get digital devices in the hands of students as quickly as possible. We may have to combine steps in some cases, so that we do not delay access to critical resources. We are all working toward the same goal and know that our collective focus is on increasing access and improving high quality personalized learning opportunities for students in our districts.

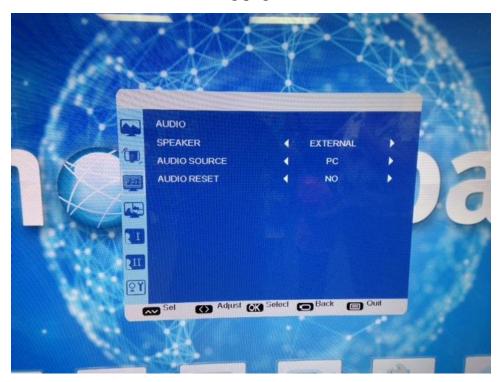


The speakers for my MondoPad do not work?

If having sound issues this will be the first thing to check.

1. On the TV panel remote push the menu button.

- 2. Toggle down until you see audio settings (should be the 3<sup>rd</sup> one down)
- 3. Make sure the settings are set as shown in the picture below.
- 4. To change a setting press the ok button, then right arrow to change a setting. When the correct one is selected press ok once more.
- 5. Hit menu to exit out of the setting page.



# Microsoft LYNC (Action Item)

As Microsoft LYNC will be the primary means of interconnecting the Next Generation Classroom Suites, LYNC needs to be installed on each MondoPad within your district. Some districts have already done this. If LYNC has not been installed on your MondoPads, could you please contact you DTC/CIO to help with this task? If not already, please work towards the end goal of LYNC being installed on all teacher computers, especially those with microphone and webcam capability. The ability to connect instantly via a video and audio connection, as well as in a meeting forum if needed, makes LYNC a technology tool worth using.

# MondoPad Delivery (Update from Joseph)



The week of August 11<sup>th</sup> is on schedule for Harlan and Letcher. 26 units were installed this past week with 63 total up to this point. After the week of August 11<sup>th</sup> we will be over 80% complete. Please continue to be patient and share needs and concerns as we progress. This is a task involving many variables and people with a

geographic area the size of a small state. Feel free to contact Joseph with questions at <u>Joseph.Smith@LTNTechnologies.com</u>

Date - 8-10-2014	
	Districts to Visit
Week of 7-14	Johnson County, Paintsville Ind.
Week of 7-21	Jackson Ind., Breathitt County, Lee County
Week of 7-28	Pike County 1st visit, Jenkins Ind.
	Pikeville Ind, Pike County 2nd visit, Knott County, Magoffin
Week of 8-4	County, Wolfe County
Week of 8-11	Harlan County, Letcher County
Week of 8-18	Hazard Ind., Floyd County 1st visit
Week of 8-25	Owsley County, Floyd County 2nd visit
Week of 9-1	Middlesboro Ind.

Tentative Schedule, Subject to change.

#### District Media Release (Request for Information)

In discussions with districts and among the ARI team we have discovered a need to review district's current media release that is signed by parents each year during enrollment. Throughout the school year, we hope to collect recorded images, voice, video footage or work of students (photographed, filmed, taped, or digitally recorded) from District Innovation Coordinators, school/district personnel or other district-authorized persons and the ARI team. By August 18<sup>th</sup>, please submit by email to johnny.belcher@pikeville.kyschools.us.

# Next Generation Academy Teachers Receive a MacBook Air (FYI)

Starting the week of August 11<sup>th</sup> ARI Liaisons will be contacting Innovation Coordinators regarding the delivery of MacBook Airs for each of their teacher participants in the Next Generation Academy. Innovation Coordinators and ARI liaisons will decide upon one of two possible delivery methods. Each method is designed to emphasize the importance of the teacher's role in the Next Generation Academy and more importantly in the role of their student's learning. Teachers will be asked to sign the attached Assurance Agreement at the end of the presentation. Innovation Coordinators should review the Assurance Agreement for familiarity. Innovation Coordinators and teachers will also sign an inventory sheet correlating each MacBook to a teacher.

Method 1 - Innovation Coordinators may choose to travel with the ARI liaison to each school and deliver the MacBook Air in person. In this manner students would become a part of the ceremony when delivered in the teacher's classroom.

Method 2 - A second method may be necessary due to the size of the school district. As an alternative to in-person deliveries, Innovation Coordinators may ask teachers from across the district to attend a short ceremony at a central location where the MacBook Air's would be presented.

## **Assurance Agreements (Action Item) Repeat**

Find attached assurance agreements for ARI next generation classroom equipment and 1 to 1 devices. Our target due date for completion and submission of the NxGN Classroom Assurance Agreement is September 1<sup>st</sup>. Please try to make the deadline, but if an extension is needed don't hesitate to contact us. Districts' ability to involve teachers and administrators in the development of a realistic and complete plan for a successful implementation takes precedence over the target due date. Plan your work to try to meet the deadline and inform us otherwise if an extension is needed.

The 1 to 1 Assurance Agreement will be needed before reimbursements can be sent out for devices. That due date will be different for each district pending decision and purchase dates. Reimbursements based on invoices will be paid up to the total allocation for each district. If districts purchase devices that total more than their allocation, they can submit that invoice and not have to break the invoice out for their convenience, but ARI will only pay "up to" the amount of their allocation. Invoices should be submitted to Ashley Parker

(ashley.parker@hazard.kyschools.us). ARI 1:1 and Next Gen Classroom device funding can be used only for the purchase/lease of student devices.

## **Training (Planning Required) Repeat**

Mondopad training will be held August 18th at our Hazard office and August 19th at Johnson Central High School. An agenda will be forthcoming, but for planning purposes assume 9:00 to 4:00 with lunch provided. Morning session will be by Infocus and the afternoon session will be by ARI staff. We need one teacher representative from each school to attend, whether teacher leader or otherwise. All Innovation Coordinators should plan to attend this training. We would also like to extend an invitation to our DTCs/CIOs as this training will answer many of their questions concerning this technology. Each location will have 2 Mondopads available for use. In efforts to minimize travel and balance participation, districts have been divided among the two locations as follows:

August 18th KVEC offices in Hazard: Breathitt, Letcher, Lee, Jackson, Middlesboro, Owsley, Knott, Wolfe, Harlan, Jenkins, Hazard.

August 19th JCHS in Paintsville: Pike, Paintsville, Floyd, Magoffin, Pikeville, Johnson.

If the date for your district is unacceptable please contact me (andrew.castle@johnson.kyschools.us) and I will try and accommodate a change.

## Opening Day Video (Reminder to Innovation Coordinators) Repeat

Most of you will have opening day for students soon and we would like to start the process of documenting our ARI work and highlighting our incredible students. Each Innovation Coordinator needs to shoot video from opening day in your schools. Please capture enough video so that we might produce a 2 - 3 minute highlight video of your district. If you have an HD camera available that would be fantastic! Video from your phone or other portable device should suffice as well (remember to hold your phone horizontally, not vertically). Please bring this footage to our next IC meeting currently scheduled for August 13th at UPike where Bruce Parsons will provide brief training on shooting and producing video. Feel free to bring photos as well. If your opening day is after the 13th bring your footage to the following IC meeting.

# Links/Resources Worth a Look

IT Best Practices for 1 to 1 Districts - Follow link:

 $\underline{http://thejournal.realviewdigital.com/?i=JULY\%202014\&acct=Z72188811\&email=neil.arnett@pikeville.kyschools.us\#folio=16}$ 

Preparing Your Network for Personalized Learning - Follow link:

http://www.centerdigitaled.com/paper/Preparing-Your-Network-for-Personalized-Learning.html?promo code=PaperPromo Featured ThumbnailPlusText Centerdigitaled

As always, please don't hesitate to contact any of us if you have any questions.

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