Tech Tuesday Update (1/13/15)

Welcome to the ARI Tech Tuesday 1/13/15 edition. Welcome to the first Tech Tuesday of 2015! We hope everyone is off to a great start.

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Upcoming Important Dates

January 13th & 14th -- ARI Personalized Learning Workshop. For details and registration link, click here.

January 16th -- Virtual Student Senate Presentations. Jackson, Harlan, Letcher, and Pikeville. For further details contact kelli.thompson@pike.kyschools.us

January 21st & 22nd – iCurio training by Knovation. For further details contact carole.mullins@hazard.kyschools.us

February 20th -- Virtual Student Senate Presentations. Wolfe, Breathitt and Pike. For further details contact kelli.thompson@pike.kyschools.us

February 25th – Project RED symposium. For further details contact andrew.castle@johnson.kyschools.us

March 20th -- Virtual Student Senate Presentations. Magoffin, Jenkins and Paintsville. For further details contact kelli.thompson@pike.kyschools.us

Repeat **Important Note Concerning The Holler and Spam (new spam filter in place!)** by Bruce Parsons

If you were the target of a spam message via The Holler please read:

Recently, a spammer successfully sent a mass mailing using The Holler messaging system. I immediately deleted the user and blocked the port they used to send this message to all users. It's now impossible to send a message to all users on the site in the way this SPAM message was sent. A few people had emailed me about it and I responded, letting them know we had fixed the issue and apologized for the message.

As the site grows in popularity and use, especially when links are shared across the web on sites like Twitter, we are going to get more and more attacks from bots and spammers. I'm building the guard up more and more each day but one might occasionally slip through the cracks. As a good reference, we've had over 100 messages like this try to go through our system and to date this is the only one to slip through.

thanks,
BP

🍎 Promising Practices

New PBS Digital Innovator by Andrew Castle

"When Latonya Rowe looks at technology, she doesn't see hardware, software, Wi-Fi, or screens. She sees unlimited educational possibilities for opening up new worlds for her fourth graders in Johnson county." Check out the following link to a KET article about a Highland Elementary teacher who was named a 2014 PBS Digital Innovator. This is just another example of the wonderful uses of instructional technology going on right here in East Kentucky. When you click on the link, the article begins on page two.

http://issuu.com/ketv/docs/jan2015/0?e=8024649/10654338

New Promising Practices on TheHoller.org by Andrew Castle

TheHoller.org is rapidly becoming a fantastic resource for educators in our region. One of the "hollers" located at The Holler concerns itself with Promising Practices. Go take a look and maybe even leave your own ideas and experiences!

Repeat #KyEdChat by Andrew Castle

Looking for a weekly Kentucky Education specific Twitter conversation? Join #KyEdChat every Thursday at 8:00 PM to chat about all things education. Join other "Tweachers" as they discuss everything from curriculum and instruction to leadership and politics. Click here for more information!

eRate Changes

Repeat **What's New with E-rate and How to Make It Work for You**

In mid-2014, the FCC announced a sweeping overhaul of the E-rate program. "E-rate 2.0" targets funding for fast broadband services while scaling back support for telephony. This CDE handbook helps education leaders take advantage of E-rate funding by describing the application process and answering questions about new rules, eligibility, timelines, what's covered and much more.

ARI Tech Tips

New CDC Outbreak by Jeff Coots

With outbreaks of Ebola, MERS-CoV , Avian Influenza A (H7N9) Virus, Fungal Meningitis, and other diseases affecting the world each year, how does the Center for Disease Control (CDC) and Prevention figure out what's going down? To help us better understand this process, the CDC has developed a gaming App that makes the user become a disease detective.

http://www.theholler.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/01/Tech-APP-of-the-Week-CDC-App.pdf

New AnswerGarden by Jeff Coots

AnswerGarden combines a Wordle and brainstorming into one tool using the Internet or an iPad App. Create a question, share the link and have your students or staff post answers using only 20 characters or less. The results are then converted into a Wordle format in which you can analyze and use to drive your instruction or staff meeting. Take a look here!

Tech Tips by Joseph Smith

New The following Mondopad upgrades are complete in all districts.

Upgrades

The Lite the Nite crew will be coming back around to your schools to implement an upgrade to provide better video, higher screen brightness, and higher quality speakers. This upgrade will only take approximately 30 minutes. While there, have your users feel free to bring up any issues you may be experiencing, so we can address and resolve them while on-site. Be on the lookout in the coming weeks for correspondence from me to schedule upgrades for your district. Thank you!

For any question regarding this Tech Tip or other MondoPad questions contact *joseph.smith@LTNTechnologies.com*

Links/Resources Worth a Look

Repeat Detailed State Assessment Rankings posted on The Holler – Summary Table:
http://www.theholler.org/download/state_assessment_ranks/2013-14_rankings(2)/Detailed%20District%20State%20Placements(2013-14).docx

How-to Video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AA3nas8JykM

Repeat Are e-Textbooks the Publishing World's Future? – Follow Link:
http://www.edtechmagazine.com/higher/article/2014/11/are-e-textbooks-publishing-worlds-future

Repeat Blended Learning Models – Follow Link:
https://docs.google.com/spreadsheet/ccc?key=0AulAvCKNG03LdGRIVHNyMkxmVzlYOGU5OHZCWFVTY1E&usp=sharing#gid=0

Repeat Rural Up Code Academy – Follow Link: http://www.ruralup.org/

Repeat Verizon Innovative APP Challenge – Follow Link:
http://appchallenge.tsaweb.org/how-to-enter

Repeat DDL Digital Drivers License – Follow Link:
https://otis.coe.uky.edu/DDL/launch.php

Repeat CommonSense Media: Digital Citizenship – Follow Link:
https://itunes.apple.com/us/artist/common-sense-media/id792863160?mt=13

Repeat Device Care Poster – Follow Link:
https://www.commonsensemedia.org/sites/default/files/uploads/pdfs/1to1-es_essentials_program_poster.pdf

Repeat Empowering the Classroom – Follow Link: https://classflow.com/classflowblog-empowerlearning#sthash.sGS7ty7x.dpuf

Repeat Seven Keys to Deploying Tablets Successfully – Follow link:
http://www.eschoolnews.com/2014/09/12/deploying-tablets-successfully-301/?ps=184489-0013000000j0kR7-0033000000qhqJB

Repeat The Rural Student Brain Gain – Follow link: http://www.dailyyonder.com/rural-student-brain-gain/2014/08/12/7492

Repeat Your Child's Next Field Trip May be a Virtual One – Follow link:
http://abcnews.go.com/Lifestyle/childs-field-trip-virtual/story?id=25160036

Repeat Leaders vs. Managers - which are you? – Follow link:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8ubRzzirRKs

Repeat Don't Use Technology for Technology's Sake! – Follow link:

www.buncee.com/blog/eric-sheninger?utm_content=buffer424f5&utm_medium=social&utm_source=twitter.com&utm_campaign=buffer

Repeat ACOT^2 Six Design Principles for the 21st Century High School – Follow link:
http://ali.apple.com/acot2/

Repeat KDE - Digital Learning Resources – Follow link:
http://education.ky.gov/school/diglrn/Documents/Internet-Digital%20Resources%20for%20Teachers.pdf

Repeat IT Best Practices for 1 to 1 Districts - Follow link:
http://thejournal.realviewdigital.com/?i=JULY%202014&acct=Z72188811&email=neil.arnett@pikeville.kyschools.us#folio=16

Repeat 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

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