



Tech Tuesday Update (1/20/15)

Welcome to the ARI Tech Tuesday 1/20/15 edition. With 2015 well underway, we hope everyone has set sail for personalized learning!

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Upcoming Important Dates

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 4-6th – KySTE (Kentucky Society for Technology in Education) conference. Visit www.kyste.org for more details.

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



Promising Practices



New 19 Ways to Use Blogs with Students by Johnny Belcher

The following blog post is part of the Alliance's Future Ready blog post series. The Future Ready initiative is working to support school district superintendents and their leadership teams on district-wide transformation. Starr Sackstein, New York director for the Journalism Education Association, wrote this blog. It originally appeared on Sackstein's own blog, *Starr Sackstein, MJE, NBCT*

<http://all4ed.org/19-ways-to-use-blogs-with-students-futureready/>



New Growing School Gardens in Winter

The school garden at Pikeville Elementary School was featured in a local blog. It is a great read; [Check it out here!](#)



Repeat 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>



Repeat 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 Post-It Note App. by Jeff Coots

This week's Tech App of the week: Post-It. I thought this app might provide leadership and teachers a tool that could be used to not only share information, but possibly increase collaboration. [Read more here.](#)



Repeat 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>



Repeat 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!](#)



Repeat 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

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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](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/a-re-e-textbooks-publishing-worlds-future>

Repeat Blended Learning Models – Follow Link:

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/cc?key=0AulAvCKNGo3LdGRIVHNyMkxmVzIYOGU5OHZCWFVTY1E&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=184489-0013000000jokR7-0033000000qhJb>

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>

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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 ACOT² 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

Please don't hesitate to contact any of us if you have questions.

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