

# **District E Technology News**

## **July/August 2003 Edition**

### **Hello Technology Leaders.**

Significant developments have come about since the last time we had a meeting. Now, even more than ever, technology is being used in multiple ways at school sites. Ideally the following information will be helpful as you serve as a leader for your school site this 2003-2004 year.

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### **1. Technology Consortium Meetings for 2003-2004**

**(Dates Have Changed – See Later Technology News Files)**

We will resume technology consortium meetings beginning next month. This school year, meetings will be 1:30-3:30pm on the second Thursday of each month, except for January and April when all single track schools are not in session. If you would like to volunteer your school site to host any of the following meeting dates, please let me know as soon as possible. You may volunteer for more than one date, but you will only be selected for one of those choices. Please remember that meeting rooms should be large enough to accommodate up to 45 people (the number that attended for our last technology consortium meeting) and must be available from 1:30-3:30pm. By August 31, locations will be announced.

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10/09/03  
11/13/03  
12/11/03  
02/12/04  
03/11/04  
05/13/04  
06/10/04

## **2. Reminders For All**

### **a) Bulletin K-33 - CTAP2 iAssessment Survey**

All teachers are to complete a technology survey no later than the end of October 2004. This is a yearly survey and will eventually be a requirement for administrators and students in the near future. Only Valley View ES must have this complete by the end of September in order to be in compliance with computers acquired through TLCG. District-wide grants worth up to a million dollars for technology and technology professional development that have been written will not be awarded to the district unless teachers complete the survey. Please have your teachers fill the surveys out as soon as possible. The bulletin states that a Tuesday afternoon staff development session can be dedicated to making sure this survey is complete. Any school that does not make an effort to make sure its teachers have completed this survey will be reported to ITD. To fill out the survey, visit the following web address: <http://ctap2.iassessment.org/>

### **b) Local District E Website**

The Local District E website is up and running. Many of the questions you or your colleagues have regarding instruction, contacts, technology, etc. are posted on the site. It is a work in progress since I am the only one maintaining it at this time. You will find a list of ongoing grants, technology support page, etc. In the future, navigation will be improved and opportunities for student work to be posted will become available. To visit the site, go to the following web address: [http://www.lausd.net/district\\_e/resources/](http://www.lausd.net/district_e/resources/)

## **3. Elementary School Issues Only**

### **a) Online Progress Reports**

Grading via online progress reports are coming up very shortly for year-round schools. Unfortunately, many schools have not returned their training certifications forms or e-mail account applications. If one or more of these items are not faxed into Elementary SIS soon, the following schools will not be able to enter grades the very first day of progress report connectivity: 24<sup>th</sup> St., Allesandro, Alta Loma, Aragon, Buchanan, Fletcher Dr., Hobart, Lockwood, Pio Pico, Ramona, Santa Monica, Wilton Pl., Aldama, Arlington Hts., Cheremoya, Dayton Heights, Glassell Park, Micheltorena, Monte Vista, and Riordan PC

## **4. Secondary School (Middle & Senior High) Issues Only**

### **a) Extended Learning Academy**

**(Information Has Changed – See Later Technology News Files)**

Several schools have been selected to participate in academies to be set up on Saturdays. These three hour sessions that will serve up to 200 students at each location will involve the use of a computer lab for 1 hour of computer-assisted

instruction. For further information, please contact the school site Extended Learning Academy Administrator.

## **5. Professional Development**

### **a) CTAP Online**

Over 400 District E Employees currently have accounts for CTAP Online. If you or others at your school site also would like a free account set up or would like more information regarding it, please contact me. The web address is:

<http://www.ctaponline.org>

### **b) Uniting Professional Development And Technology Education**

Many of the courses offered on CTAP Online along with others not listed on the site can be taken for salary point credit via LAUSD ITD's professional development program called U.P.D.A.T.E. To enroll in any of these courses, please visit the following web address:

<http://www.lausd.k12.ca.us/lausd/offices/update/>

### **c) Conference Dates To Pencil Into Your Calendar**

The following "technology in schools" conferences are available for those of you who are interested (sorry, but I cannot fund substitutes, registration fees, etc.):

- I. T&L2 Conference by the National School Board Association (Anaheim, CA) - October 22-24, 2003. This conference will focus on technology and strategies to increase student achievement. CTB will be featuring our family of online products.
- II. I Cubed Conference by LAUSD (location tba) – December 6, 2003. This technology conference is tentatively featuring Jaime Escalante and George Lucas as guest speakers. LAUSD schools will have a chance to showcase their own projects involving technology.
- III. CUE Conference (Palm Springs, CA) – March 18-20, 2003. It is the largest and oldest education technology show in California, and among the largest in the United States.

## **6. Computer Purchasing**

Only three vendors have been approved by the Board of Education to sell computers. They are:

### **a) Arey Jones Educational Solutions (IBM Computers Systems) –**

Vendor #128327, 8693-A La Mesa Blvd., La Mesa, CA 91941

Michael Scarpella, Satina Bitmyal, (800) 998-9199

### **b) Gateway Companies, Inc. (Gateway Computer Systems)**

Vendor #124373, 610 Gateway Drive, North Sioux City, SD 57049

Tom Chytka (800) 211-4952 x33081, Tom Weaver (310) 230-2114

c) Apple (Apple Computer Systems)  
2401 Colorado Avenue, Suite 325, Santa Monica, CA 90404  
Thomas H. Chun (818)952-5644

## 7. Library Issues

Libraries will be equipped with several computer stations if not done already. For those interested in seeing who will receive them this year, please contact me. Any questions regarding any other library issues should be directed to Harry Grant, the ITAF in charge of Measure K, [harry.grant@lausd.net](mailto:harry.grant@lausd.net)

## 8. Employment Opportunities

It is always good to let others know when there are opportunities for your technology skills to be used in other instructional ways. Here are three opportunities for any of you to apply for if interested. Please remember that there are submission deadlines ( I think by next Friday). So hurry if interested?!!

a) Middle School Technology Project (MSTP) SCIENCE COACH  
(Teacher Advisor, B Basis Plus Z-Time - Teacher Preparation Salary Table)  
The Instructional Technology Branch has an opening for the position of Technology Integration Science Coach. The person selected for this position will report directly to the Instructional Technology Branch, Technology Literacy Unit. See attached flyer for details.

b) Middle School Technology Project (MSTP) MATH COACH  
(Teacher Advisor, B Basis Plus Z-Time - Teacher Preparation Salary Table)  
The Instructional Technology Branch has an opening for the position of Technology Integration Math Coach. The person selected for this position will report directly to the Instructional Technology Branch, Technology Literacy Unit.

c) EduSoft Opportunities  
The company in charge of implementing assessments at LAUSD (via a computer an scanner that was/will be placed in each of your schools. They offer competitive salaries, full benefits and employee stock options. The job positions are listed below. Visit the following web address for details:  
[http://www.edusoft.com/corporate/about\\_jobs.html](http://www.edusoft.com/corporate/about_jobs.html)

Client Services  
**Los Angeles Senior Project Director**  
**Regional Account Manager - Los Angeles**  
**Regional Account Manager - San Diego**  
**Regional Account Manager - Texas**  
**Customer Support Manager**

Engineering & Operations

**Senior Software Engineer**  
**Junior Software Engineer**  
**Front-End Technologist**  
**Operations Engineer**  
**QA Engineer**

Educational Content  
**Graphics Designer**  
**Freelance Math Analyst**  
**Math Assessment Editor Consultant**  
**Freelance Science Analyst**  
**Freelance English Language Arts Analyst**  
**Freelance Social Science Analyst**

Sales & Finance  
**Regional Sales Representative (Texas, Mississippi, California)**

Hope this has been helpful to you all. If you have any questions, please contact me at the following:

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