

# TECHNOLOGY ECHOES

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## DISTRICT TECHNOLOGY PLAN CREATION

The current District technology plan is in effect from July 1st 2005 to June 30th 2008. The purpose of the technology plan is to serve as a guide for integrating information (library media) and technology into the heart of the District's mission to provide a learning environment where all students will achieve academic excellence in schools in which teachers are involved in continuous professional development so that they can provide exciting, relevant instruction in a school settings that fosters respect, integrity and character.

The Department of Public Instruction requires that all Wisconsin School Districts submit a three year board approved tech-

nology plan to DPI for certification. Plan certification is required for receiving funding from E-rate, NCLB, and to apply for Ed Tech competitive grant funds.

The District has begun the planning process for the next 3 year plan. There are three planning meetings set for 1/29/2008, 2/18/2008, and 3/3/2008. For the first time in the planning process we will be using google documents to write the plan during the meetings.



The Technology Plan is required for DPI certification.

## NEW USES FOR INFINITE CAMPUS

The Infinite Campus Steering Committee has been very active this year in providing direction for problem areas in the software as well as implementing new features within the system.

The latest implementation involves the reporting of student fees. These fees will be seen by the parents in the parent portal.

Another new implementation will be the February 18th opening of the parent portal for the parents of elementary students. Last year we opened the portal for the secondary parents.

A future item under study is the

emailing of report cards. Once we review the process and get approval from the appropriate decision makers we have a potential for saving the district postal costs.

Input to the Steering Committee process is done through the following steps. **Elementary secretaries** may contact Janice Lewicki at Irving. **Elementary teachers** may contact Chad Lehman at Horace Mann. **Secondary secretaries** may contact Ruth Christianson at Central. **Secondary teachers** may contact Curt Mould at Central, Lewis Malczewski at Hale, Paul Kurth

at FLW, Jeff Borland at West Milwaukee. **Secondary student services** personnel may contact Tricia Fetherston at Hale. The types of Infinite Campus requests that you would bring to these individuals need to be **major changes**. You need to be specific in your request. For example, "we need to email report cards home" is specific. "We need training" is not specific enough.