

Technology

Purpose

1. The primary purposes of technology in the classroom are for learning, research, creative projects, integrated and adaptive learning systems.
2. The primary purposes of technology for administrative support include computer management systems, such as on-line library and Internet resources; communication; student information system; finance accounting; human resources management system; individual education plans; health data management; state/federal funding reporting, etc.
3. All computer users will recognize and adhere to existing copyright laws, citing all quotations, references, and sources.
4. All hardware purchased will be durable, appropriate for the intended applications, consistent with the school and/or MESD's technology plan, and comply with current MESD hardware standards.
5. All technology equipment purchases will be coordinated through and must be approved by the technology services department. For the purposes of this policy, purchased equipment will include, but not be limited to:
 - a. Computers;
 - b. Printers;
 - c. Projectors;
 - d. Scanners;
 - e. Servers;
 - f. PDAs/Palm devices;
 - g. Software (non-instructional);
 - h. Wireless devices and access points;
 - i. Copiers.
6. All classroom software must be favorably reviewed and previewed by an administrator in the educational program/department. If not specifically needed for direct relation with students, technology services department must approve the product. Software purchases will conform with current MESD software standards.
7. All software that is to be installed on the MESD network will be coordinated through the technology services department to ensure compatibility and proper licensing.

8. The MESD will review and update the MESD technology plan in accordance with ODE and federal e-rate requirements.
9. The MESD will annually review and update hardware and software standards facilitated by the director of technology services.
10. MESD will provide technology training for all staff appropriate to the needs of their assignments as requested and approved by their director.