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Technology Showcase Cambridge-Isanti Schools

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Tech Update - LMS Utilization
(Schoology/Google Classroom/Seesaw)

Focus: Use, proficiency, and growth in using LMS platforms.

Summary:
- Majority of teachers use these platforms to distribute and collect assignments and provide instructions.
- Fewer use them for discussion forums.
- Growth in comfort and usage over the year is generally reported as moderate to strong.

Tech Update - YouTube

Focus: Use and proficiency in features like screen sharing, breakout rooms, and meeting controls.

Summary:
- Teachers frequently used YouTube for finding and sharing videos.
- Fewer uploaded content or created playlists.
- Proficiency reflected usage; growth noted in core functions like embedding and sharing.

Tech Update - Artificial Intelligence Tools

Focus: Usage of tools like ChatGPT, Gemini (+others) for school or personal use.

Summary:
- Growing awareness and usage of AI tools.
- AI was used for lesson planning, grading ideas, summarizing info, and personal tasks like trip planning.
- Mixed levels of confidence and experimentation.

Tech Update - Growth in EdTech Tools
(Chromebooks, Google Suite, WeVideo, Clever, and more)

Focus: Self-assessed growth in using various tools.

Summary:
- Greatest growth was seen in Google Docs, Slides, and Chromebooks.
- Lesser-known tools like FlipGrid, EdPuzzle, Smart Learning Suite saw lower usage and growth.
- Teachers expressed a need for training/support in some of these lesser-used tools.

Tech Update - Device and Classroom Setup

Focus: Satisfaction with current devices and interest in replacing projectors with TVs.

Summary:
- Majority were satisfied with their devices.
- Strong interest in replacing projectors with 75" TVs, noting the benefits of screen clarity and reliability.

Tech Update - Technician and Tech Department Feedback

Focus: Rating building technicians and district tech staff on multiple dimensions.

Summary:
- Technicians received high marks for customer service, problem solving, and communication.
- Most common method of contact: Tech Help Desk or direct communication.
- Comments indicated appreciation for responsiveness and professionalism.

Tech Team Vision/Purpose
To provide a highly effective and efficient, collaborative, communicative, and customer oriented technology environment where both the operational and instructional components of IT thrive in order for Cambridge-Isanti Schools to meet its mission.

Tech Update - Open Comments

What's Going Well?
- Student engagement, access to resources, smoother classroom operations.

What Are Challenges You Are Facing?
- Distraction from gaming/social media, device breakage, and internet speed.

What Are Your Suggestions?
- More content filters, training, and student tech accountability.

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Thank You!

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