

The background is a solid blue color with a subtle pattern of overlapping squares. In the top right corner, there is a large, bright yellow circle. Below it, a stylized graphic of a pen or pencil is shown, with a light blue body and a darker blue tip. The pen is angled diagonally across the frame. The main title is written in white, bold, sans-serif font on a dark blue, rounded rectangular background that is also angled diagonally.

# Technology Advisory Committee

Student Computing Devices



Who are we?



DISD  
Educators

Parents

Community  
Members

Students





## What is our purpose?

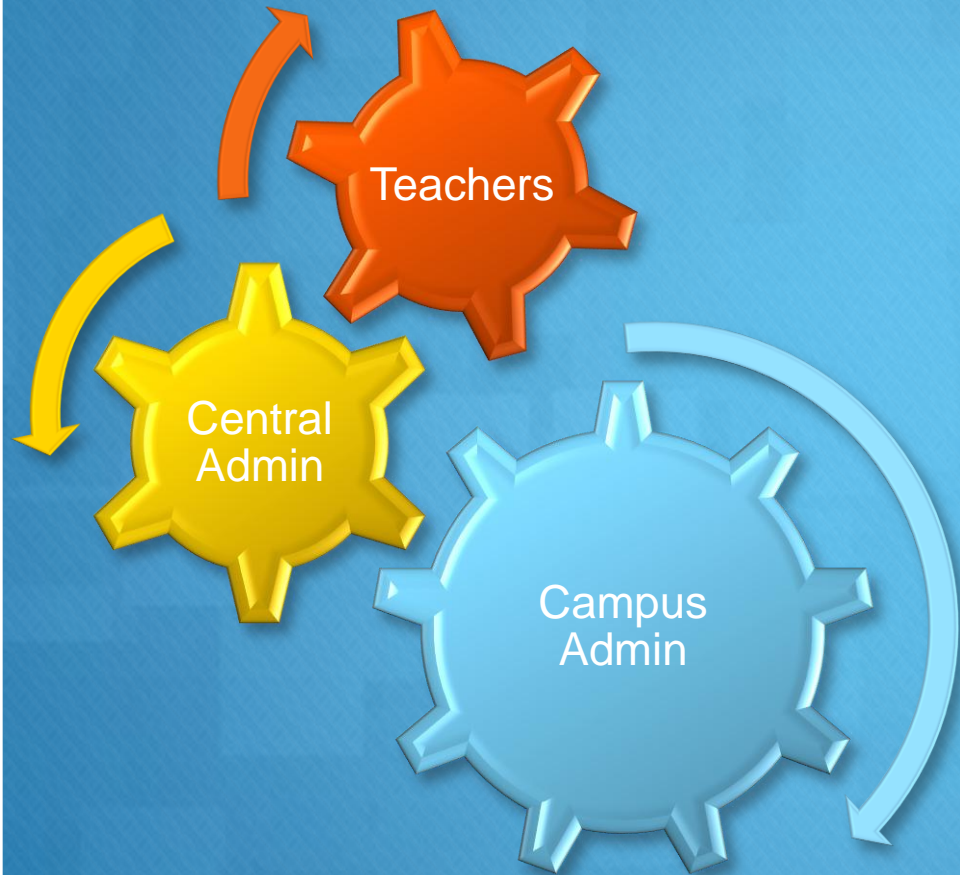
- Provide feedback on both current and future technology initiatives to the Technology Information Officer and Director of Inst. Tech.
- Make recommendations to the School Board regarding technology needs and concerns

# Our previous work:

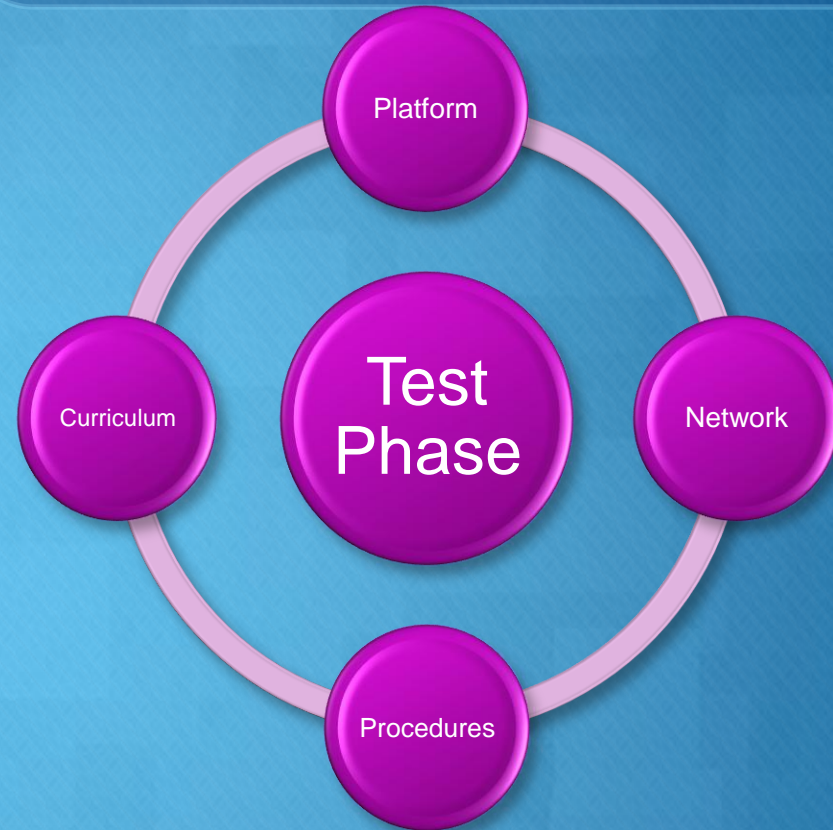
TAC Edited iPad Rollout	
<b>Phase I</b>	<b>2011-12 Fall Semester</b>
Admin Slate Fall Semester Purchase (iPad/Android)	8/18/11 - 11/17/11
Training for Admin: Basic set-up, PDAS, walkthrough, email, etc.	9/20/11 - 11/28/11
Survey	2/13/12 - 2/17/12
Option to Replace (purchase iPads with campus funds)	2/21/12 - 4/6/12
<b>Phase II</b>	<b>2011-12 Spring Semester</b>
Admin iPad Spring Semester Purchase	2/21/12 - 3/23/12
Training for Admin: Basic set-up, PDAS, walkthrough, email, etc.	3/27/12 - 3/30/12
Purchase MDM server	4/16/2012
Teacher Grant Purchases	2/21/12 - 4/25/12
Training for Above: Basic set-up, PDAS, if applicable	3/20/12 - 5/01/12
<b>Phase III</b>	<b>2012-13 Fall Semester</b>
Directors, Coordinators, CTS, Special Initiatives Purchases	8/27/12 - 9/28/12
Training from Region XI: All directors, coordinators, CTS, Special Initiatives, Dept Heads, others as determined by principals (aides, teacher support, library, etc.)	October Date TBD
Survey of users	Completed by 11/15/12
Teacher purchases begin	10/15/12 - Ongoing
<b>Phase IV</b>	<b>2012-13 Spring Semester</b>
Training from district and CTS team, <i>immediately following Winter Break</i>	Begins 01/07/13
iPad Training - all staff at TIA	SUMMER 2013
<b>Phase V</b>	<b>2013-2014</b>
Student iPads	TBD



Why, you ask...



iPads are for:



At this point...



# What we've learned:

## Opportunities:

- Students will benefit with tablets
- iPad platform appeals to educators
- Windows 8 devices fully integrate

## Challenges:

- Purchase of student tablets not approved
- Management of iPad is very difficult
- Content available on Win. devices and intuitiveness is reduced





We believe that:

- Campuses/Principals should have discretion
- Previously established guidelines for tablet devices should be followed
- Campuses/Principals/Staff should understand the pros/cons of each platform.
- We should avoid adopting non-proprietary platforms



## Our Recommendation

- The Denton ISD TAC recommends that district/campus funds be made available for the purchase of student tablet devices (including, but not limited to: Dell, iPad, iPad Mini, iPod Touch, and Nook) and any appropriate supplemental items need for those devices (case, insurance, carts, etc...).