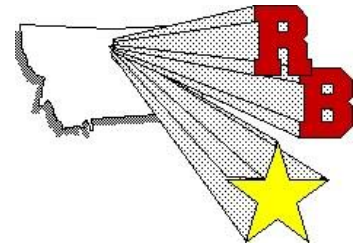


Technology Department

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IT spent a large amount of time in September getting iStation deployed on every lab computer, laptop and iPad in the district – as well as both colonies. Although it did require halting a lot of other IT activities that were planned, we did learn a lot about how our MDM works with out iPads and going forward deploying new apps and profiles should be a much smoother and faster task.

IT has setup Team Viewer at both colonies which will allow us to remotely access the computers at Hilldale and East End and handle any minor issues or software installations without the need to travel all the way out there. This should save a lot of time and money going forward.

IT has setup Mrs. Terry with a Surface to go along with her classroom set of laptops, in addition to her large screen television. Her TV is connected to a device that allows her to use the TV as a second monitor, or when she wants, she can wirelessly broadcast her Surface display to the TV as she walks around the room. Soon, IT will be making additional upgrades to her infrastructure to allow her to not only wirelessly broadcast her Surface, but also to show what one of her students is working on, on a laptop. This setup is colloquially known as the 21st Century classroom. I think as the district becomes 1 to 1 with mobile devices, many more teachers will want to follow suit with a classroom setup such as this – to untether the teacher from the desk or front of the room by the SMART board and be more interactive with the students throughout the classroom.

Our annual Bright Bytes survey has started. Within another couple weeks we should have the results ready. IT uses this survey to determine the state of technology in the district. It gives us real measurable data on what the students are using technology for, what they want to do in the future, as well as how well the staff are incorporating the districts investment in technology into the curriculum.

“Every Student Everyday!”