

Dear Ersha and Science Park Faculty:

Do you find technology useful? Wonder if it's making a difference? Do you think technology can help make learning more relevant and authentic? If you do, we need you on the Tech Advisory Committee!

This year we are looking for up to 6 people per campus to join the division tech coaches and librarians on the Tech Advisory Committee. Our first meeting will be in October, after the break.

Since it began in 2008 this committee recommended putting a tech facilitator in each division, eliminating laptop trolleys, adopting 1:1, shifting from PC's to Macs, adopting the Office 365 cloud, continuing our tech PD, expanding the 1:1 iPad program, dramatically increasing bandwidth and more. All this has happened on the recommendation of the Tech Advisory Committee. The AdminFOL team wants to know what this committee thinks.

This year recommendations on a wide variety of topics will be needed. If these kinds of things interest you, join the Tech Advisory Committee and make sure you and your team or departments voice is heard. All school's are grappling with these same sort of issues. What's the best path for AISG?

- How can we improve the tech PD at AISG?
- How to best integrate a 3D printer into the curriculum?
- How can we move upper ES iPad management to a parent owned model?
- What supplies should we buy for Maker Carts at ES?
- Will AISG explore blended and personal learning environments within the next 2-3 years?
- What's the role of MOOCS to offer courses that we can't?.
- How can we use Office 365 more effectively?
- Should Yammer include students?
- Is the four year laptop replacement cycle viable?
- Should we increase bandwidth to pure VPN on both campuses?

- Is it time to get rid of paper forms at AISG?
- How shall we integrate mobile devices at SP, knowing nearly every kid has one or two of them their backpack?

Plan on two meetings per semester on your campus. These meetings will either be during lunch or after regular classes. Attendance at meetings is critical. If you will not be able to attend, (perhaps by switching your duty or arranging a substitute for ASA), please consider asking someone else who is keenly interested in technology integration to join our group. This committee is critical in a school where technology is a stated school-wide initiative fully supported by the administration.

If you are interested, please reply directly to this email by Friday, September 11th

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