

SAC mtg. Notes: 1-28-2014

Attendance: Kim, April, Jessica, Michelle, Jamie, Bindu

Each person will report out their findings on tech needs, use, and

Current use (k and 1 focus):

K and 1: using 2X a week (3 K teachers and 2 1st grade), using smart boards for extension activities

K uses less often, mostly for videos and visual experiences

K and 1 use 5-6 laptops daily primarily for centers

1st grade uses them for interventions and they are used daily for this purpose (fast forward)

Needs:

More computers/tablets

Charge stations

More outlets/plugs

Computers need to hold charges longer

Students have a hard time logging on/forget passwords, can there be a drop down they choose their name from?

Headphones not enough for all students and are very breakable, can we buy more sturdy ones, not buds but whole ear ones that buffer noise levels?

Internet is slow, need faster internet

Tickets versus tech #, when should we use which?

Can the students have tech 2x a week to teach manipulation and navigation and basic tech use? Gradually increasing tech content as the grade increase?

More teacher professional development in tech use.

Ideas for future exploration:

Purchased programs list for teachers, best use for students of the programs, and professional development in using them.

Event held by tech for teachers/families/community: Teachers can run it, cost effective?

Survey teachers about ideas/needs for future tech use

Student assessment 1x a trimester on computers to prepare for PARCC

Grants?