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Student Competencies

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Reminder!

The next Steering committee Meeting is this week-Thursday the 11th of November at 1:30 p.m.

On October 28th twelve people met at Carl Schurz to continue the process of creating the Student Competencies.

This meeting was designed to look at specific applications from grades K-5. While looking at the applications the participants were to look for the "flow" across the grade levels. Some of the applications addressed were: Word Processing/Desktop Publishing, Database/Mail Merge, Graphic Organizers, Multimedia tools, and Information Acquisition.

Each group was assigned a topic to work on. They looked at each

of the competencies that were listed for the application, and edited the wording so that there would be consistency and logic across all of the elementary grade levels.

The next meeting will take place on Thursday, November 18th, from 4:00 – 6:00 p.m. We will continue the work that was started in October and then move on to address topics such as Basic Operations, Paint/Draw, Networking, Spreadsheets, Communications and Data Input.

Connected University

Last week all of the tech representatives from each campus were asked to personally contact those people on their campus who had signed for Connected University but who had not activated their accounts as of yet.

We now have 43 activated accounts, and hope more will be utilizing this in the near future.

STaR Chart

In our last meeting Jennifer shared with us the information we needed in order to go back to our campuses and have the classroom teachers complete the STaR Chart.

This is important to the TARGET Grant evaluation so please make sure that all of your teachers finish the survey!

The deadline for your submission is the 15th of November!




Exhibit Progress

NBISD will be hosting an exhibit building on Friday on the 12th of November. Teachers, technology representatives, and librarians will be meeting with the purpose of building an exhibit.

Each group working together will be bringing a lesson plan idea, the exhibit purpose, 3-5 asset ideas, and any questions they may have about the project itself, the process we are going through or even how all of the pieces fit together. Everyone was sent the exhibit template so they could become familiar with the format.

Each of the collaboratives will have representation at this meeting so the information will be able to be communicated back to each of the home districts/campuses.

If you want to take a look at the exhibits that Apple has posted go to the following website:

<http://ali.apple.com/>



TCEA

Remember that we are to be gathering the names of the people who are interested in attending the TCEA conference in Austin during the week of February 7th – 11th, 2005.

There are academies available to those who may wish to attend, as well as the opportunity for those who just wish to go to the exhibits.

Be sure to ask your teachers who would like to attend. This is a valuable experience to all who attend!

Open Labs

The NBISD Labs are going strong – The Lone Star Lab has an average of 24 people attending.

In October the Lone Star Lab focused on Office Word including how to insert clip art and photos. They worked on scanning pictures also, and now in November the focus has shifted to internet skills.

The Nancy Ney Lab is working on the basics of the PC and some word processing skills. There was only one person attending last Tuesday but it was election night and the weather was cooler. The good news is that Carol was able to give some great one on one training.

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