

Middle School T.I.M.E.S. Technology Integration Made Easy & Simple



Computer Testing

During the next few weeks, the 8th graders will be busy taking the computer test. We have been working with the students to prepare them by doing lessons and test review. This has been a team effort, and I thank everyone for working so hard towards our shared goal.

I will be meeting with the 8th grade students by team. I will stay with one teacher from each team all day in order to see all the students from that team.

Thank you for helping me by giving your class time!

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Technology Opportunities

November:

⇒ 14th Google, NC Wise, &
Learn NC
3:00 Southern Lee

December:

⇒ 7th Copyright Laws
3:00 Southern Lee

Register on Schoolink

Happy Thanksgiving

Curriculum Links

Art:

[The Artist's Toolkit](http://www.artsconnected.org/toolkit)

<http://www.artsconnected.org/toolkit>

[Art Studio Chalkboard](http://studiochalkboard.evansville.edu)

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ESL:

[Spanish History Site](http://www.uni.edu/becker/history.html)

<http://www.uni.edu/becker/history.html>

[Spanish Books Galore](http://www.uni.edu/becker/spanishbooks.html)

<http://www.uni.edu/becker/spanishbooks.html>

Health & PE:

[PE 4 Life](http://www.pe4life.org)

<http://www.pe4life.org>

[Human Kinetics](http://www.humankinetics.com)

<http://www.humankinetics.com>

Language Arts:

[Bibliography & Citation Styles](http://tinyurl.com/w3g9k)

<http://tinyurl.com/w3g9k>

[Literary Criticism](http://tinyurl.com/ycqouj)

<http://tinyurl.com/ycqouj>

Math:

[Handmade Manipulative Instructions](http://tinyurl.com/nb22b)

<http://tinyurl.com/nb22b>

[Math Help](http://tinyurl.com/ycn3zn)

<http://tinyurl.com/ycn3zn>

Music:

[Musical Dictionary](http://tinyurl.com/qkecy)

<http://tinyurl.com/qkecy>

[Instrument Encyclopedia](http://www.si.umich.edu/chico/instrument)

<http://www.si.umich.edu/chico/instrument>

Science:

[Genetics Glossary](http://helios.bto.ed.ac.uk/bto/glossary)

<http://helios.bto.ed.ac.uk/bto/glossary>

[Weather Image of the Day](http://www.osei.noaa.gov/OSEIiod.html)

<http://www.osei.noaa.gov/OSEIiod.html>

Social Studies:

[League of Women Voters](http://tinyurl.com/nwkvk)

<http://tinyurl.com/nwkvk>

[How Maps and Charts Are Made](http://www.boatsafe.com/kids/mercator.htm)

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Note: You'll notice that many of the websites are tinyurl.com. This is a great site that will shorten a long url down to a manageable size.



Smartboard Tips

Often students will write illegibly on the Smartboard. This month, we will convert handwriting to typed text.

After handwriting on the Smartboard, press the pointer button to select your writing in the work area.

Tap your finger on your writing. You will see a dashed box around your text with a green dot on the upper part of the box.

Select the dropdown menu on the upper right hand side of the text.

The Smartboard will show you several choices for the word. Choose your word from the list.

For two minute tutorials visit:
<http://tinyurl.com/lzlg9>

Quote of the Month

"If we always do what we've always done, we will get what we've always got." Adam Urbanski



Blogs

Blogging is becoming a phenomena in the world of technology. Blogs have many great uses in the classroom. With Gaggle.net, you and the students will have the opportunity to blog.

These websites are a good starting point to introduce you to blogging.

Why should teachers Blog?

<http://tinyurl.com/yybqkl>

Ideas for Classroom Blogging

<http://blogsforlearning.msu.edu/>

Professional Tips

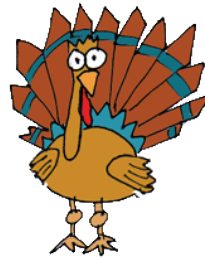
Crossword puzzle-maker

<http://search.teach-nology.com/cgi-bin/crossword.cgi>

Web Worksheet Wizard

Great site for making a worksheet that contains websites.

<http://wizard.4teachers.org/index.php3>



"Accept that some days you're the pigeon, and some days you're the statue"

Charlotte's Web Movie Page

<http://www.charlotteswebmovie.com/site/index.php>

(movie opens in December)

On-line Tutorials

<http://www.internet4classrooms.com/on-line.htm>

Technology Tips

You can easily spruce up your Power-Point by adding clip art.

To add clip art:

1. Click on INSERT in the tool bar.
2. Go to PICTURE, then CLIP ART
3. On the right hand of your Power-Point, you will see a search box. Type in the name of the clip art you are interested in using.

4. Scroll down until you find the picture you want. When you do, click on the picture and drag onto your Power-Point slide.

5. You're finished!

You can add clip art from the Internet, too.

1. Save the clip are you want by right clicking on the picture using the

mouse button and pressing "SAVE AS". You will now need to save it to your documents.

2. Click on INSERT in the tool bar.
3. Go to PICTURE, then FROM FILE.
4. Find your picture and click INSERT.

You can also find clip art on United Streaming.