Keyboarding at BTMES
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First Grade


iPad cart: 55 iPads—Averages 13 per room.

Literacy, Math, Free Choice Time

Math and ELA focused Apps.
Third Grade

- 2 Chromebook carts that live in the classrooms—1 per teaching team.
- Each cart has 24 chromebooks.
- Typing Club accounts are continued and fostered both at school and at home.
- WIN, ELA, Home
Additional Areas (K–4 access)

- Upstairs & Downstairs Computer Lab with desktop computers.
- Math Lab: 21 iPads.
- Specials: Cart of Chromebooks.
- Library: Chromebook cart in addition to desktop computers.
- Grade-level teams share.
- Intensive Needs/SPED: Chromebooks
Handouts:

- 1 page overview/summary of Typing Club
- Typing Club Teacher Handbook: Provides specific details, including alignment to Common Core.
- K–4 Digital Citizenship: Summary of what is taught
What is Typing Club?

Typing Club...

*Is simple for both students and teachers.

*Is clean--no distractions such as "bright cosmic asteroids", colors, sounds, etc.

*Is simple and well-thought out.

*Is a web-based portal--which allows students to log-in and work on this from home.

*Allows teachers to check-in to see, "Just how are my students doing?"--This can be done by looking at individual student accounts, or as an entire class.

*Provides tutorial videos to watch (if necessary or needed).

*Is a 5 star program. This means that students can earn up to 5 stars with each lesson. Stars are earned upon accuracy, speed, etc. Teachers can go into the system and modify or customize this for students, as needed/appropriate.

*Over 100 lessons are provided for students. Last year I took the first lesson which focused on letters "f", "j" and using the space bar. A visual is provided that highlights which fingers to move.

*Can be found on our Chrome Books at school in the APP section.

*To customize student accounts and to keep track of how students are doing, student accounts can be rolled into the next year's homeroom teacher so that students can continue from where they left off.