2020 Technology Conference

Preparing for Back-to-School

St. Clair County Schools — EVERY STUDENT PREPARED
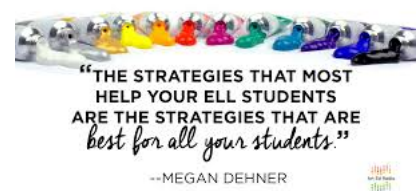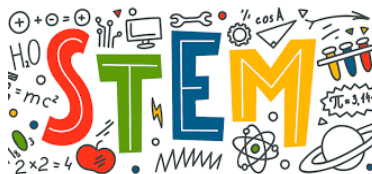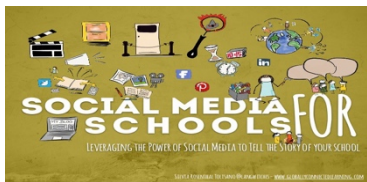
Session Topics

Each session will be limited to twenty (20) participants per room. The following session topics will be offered:

APEX: (Secondary grade levels)   **A separate session will be offered for building contacts**
Learn how to navigate APEX for students on the Hybrid instructional scenario.

Campfire: (All grade levels)
Learn how to navigate Campfire as a classroom teacher to document students on Tier II and Tier III instruction.

Communication Tools: (All grade levels)
Need to communicate with parents via email, text, call-out? Need to meet with parents and students through video meetings? Learn how to effectively use Blackboard Communications and Teams to share information and have two-way communication with students and parents.

Computer 101/Troubleshooting/Helping Parents: (All grade levels)
We all know that technology is a love/hate relationship. Learn what to do when devices or programs may not work the way you expected. Also become better equipped with helping parents navigate the educational technology used with students.

Digital Citizenship: (All grade levels)
How can we use copyrighted material online without breaking the law? How can we make sure our students are safe online? What do students need to know? Learn how to be a good citizen online!

Discovery Education: (All grade levels)
St. Clair County Schools has purchased Discovery Education for the next three years through the CARES Act. This online resource can be integrated into Microsoft 365 programs and contains lesson plans and activities aligned with the Alabama Courses of Study. Teacher can use created lessons or create their own. Learn how to navigate and use this incredible tool with students!

Dragonfly & Athlete Communication Tools: (Specific to Coaches)
Hey Coaches! Learn how to use Dragonfly and communication tools with your athletes and parents!

ELL Tools for All: (All grade levels)
Do you know what tools to use that most benefit and support EL students? Did you know that those same tools are good for *all* students? Learn tools that are good for ELL and ALL!

Flipgrid: (All grade levels)
Want a fun, innovative way to engage students? Want to provide students a way to record themselves presenting or explaining a concept or skill? Flipgrid is the answer! And it integrates with Microsoft Teams! Learn how to navigate it and get your students creating.

Forms: Creating Online Tests and Quizzes (All grade levels)
Create online quizzes, tests, and surveys with Microsoft Forms! Great for formative and summative assessment! This tool also includes Immersive Reader and language translations to support struggling readers and EL students.

Managing School Social Media Posts: (Focused on those who handle your school's social media)
Do you know how to create digital content for social media that will get the most attention? Learn about digital tools to help your school stand out and be noticed for all of the right reasons!

Nearpod: (All grade levels)
Want to engage students with dynamic learning and collaboration—all while formatively assessing their proficiency? Sounds too good to be true? Learn about Nearpod and how you can use it with your students!

Preparing for Distance Learning: (1 Session for Elementary/1 Session for Secondary)
What do we need students to learn the first few weeks back at school? Learn about getting students logged on to school devices, logging into O365, accessing student email, and navigating Microsoft products for learning both in the classroom and beyond.

STEM for Elementary and Middle Grades:
Interested in learning about STEM? Already have a STEM class going? Learn and share what students can do in a STEM class that is innovative and fun!

Technology Contacts Training: (For building Tech Contacts only – 1 session)
Are you the tech contact for your school building? Join the Tech Team for preparing for the start of school and meeting the needs of teachers, students, and parents.

Using Teams Assignments, Video Meetings, and Class Notebook: (All grades)
Prepare yourself, students, and parents for using Microsoft Teams in the classroom and Beyond the Classroom. With the uncertainty of what school will look like, preparing lessons in Teams for students to access in class and beyond will simplify the teacher load. Learn how to navigate and use Microsoft Teams as a teacher and with students.
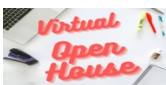
Virtual Open House & Communication Ideas: (All grade levels)
Wondering how to reach out to parents and families who choose the Hybrid instructional scenario? Want some creative, fun ways to reach out to your parents and students? Learn a great way to reach out to parents and students through a virtual open house and communication ideas!