STAFF TECHNOLOGY ONE-ON- ONE SYNOPSIS

Description

- One-on-One Teacher Technology Interviews were held from 5/22/19 to 6/10/19.
- A total of 14 teachers/staff members were interviewed
- Questions included topics such as technology challenges within the classroom and technology needs.

Findings

- **Laptops**
  - Of the 14 staff members interviewed, 11 staff reported having problems with student laptops. The reports indicated that the laptops have a slow internet connection, the computers lag behind and students often have problems logging in their student accounts.
- **iPads**
  - Of the 14 staff members interviewed, half indicated that they would like student iPads for instructional purposes. Staff reported that the use of iPads would allow flexibility in learning offer better mobility.
- **Elmo Pens**
  - Of the 14 staff members interviewed, half indicated that they would find an Elmo Pen useful in conjunction with the Elmo that has already been provided in their classroom.
- **Additional Findings**
  - Some staff have technology equipment or software that others do not have access to. There are additional needs for laptops and iPads at the classroom level, as well as updates for Smart Panels. These requests have been logged with the district's Technology Department.
  - In addition staff requires additional training and information on what software and apps are available, as well as technology resources such as the NAO Robot. Four staff members reported needing more training on programs like "Lit to Go, Office 365, and Moodle."

Technology Requests

- A large array of items were requested as technology needs through the Technology Grant:
  - Staff requested: Elmo Pens, Scanners, Online Textbooks, Better Computer Docking Stations, Proloqou2Go Software, Headphones, Microphones, Audible subscriptions, Teaching Made Easier subscriptions, hands on technology kits, supplies and materials needed for STEM activities in the Makerspace.

Recommendations

- Many of the staff requests require district involvement. The LTG Administrative team has made recommendations to the district on the findings and technology requests.

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- We will also assist in making proper technology purchases that will help foster personalized learning for the target population that the grant is serving.
- The LTG staff will continue to work with district and staff to create an easier relationship with technology and instruction by providing trainings and assisting in making staff more aware of what technology is available for use.