MCS ACCESS UPDATE

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What worked?

- Increased instructional technology usage in classrooms with blended learning
- Engaging lessons utilizing technology—noted in technology classroom walkthroughs
- NC Digital Learning Rubric—all schools maintained their Advanced level.
- 145 staff members trained with ACCESS Ambassadors model from Friday Institute
- 24 staff members completed the ACCESS Diplomats course.
- Ambassadors and Diplomats volunteer to present at PD sessions. DLCs and teachers have presented at the state level.

What worked?

- 3rd Summer Camp will be held August 2nd.
- All schools receive a minimum of 10 technology PD hours each year.
- Schools continued Learning Walks…very positive outcome in schools with teachers.
- Mobile HotSpots for students without home based internet. Increasing the number of available HotSpots for 2018-19.
- Wifi on buses….drivers reported that discipline issues continue to be low.

What did not work?

- MCS has spent $98,885 for parts to repair devices. There are no labor costs to parents for repairs. MCS assumes all labor costs associated with repairs.
- High repair costs for parents and low participation in the optional insurance policy.

  Only 128 insurance policy purchases with only 14 claims.
- Community perceptions related to repair costs and the technology fee.
- Continued issues with students not taking care of their devices.

  1250+ physical damages to devices (accidental and intentional)

ACCESS program changes & updates for 2018-19 school year

- MCS will employ 2 DLC positions this upcoming year. One position will serve Elementary Schools and the other will serve Secondary Schools.
- MCS will maintain the 2 technician positions associated with the ACCESS grant. These are necessary positions to repair and maintain student devices.
- K-2 classrooms: There will not be a 1:1 at the K-2 level; it will operate as a 1:2 environment.
- K-5 laptops will remain within the building. Due to damages and parent concerns it may be feasible to not allow K-5 devices to go home.
- Schools will continue to collect fees and will be held accountable for outstanding fees.
- Monthly invoices will be sent home that will track payments and balances. Any student that did not pay fees will have a Start of Year balance on their account for this year.
- Continue and encourage schools to collect fees throughout the year and not wait until the end of year.
- Propose a technology service fee of $25.00 for K-2 and $40.00 for 3-12. Included in this service fee is insurance that will cover every device.

Proposed Technology Service Fee - $25/$40 per student - $141,445

Provided Services	Per Pupil Cost	Total Cost
• Insurance that covers device damages	$27.00	$104,679.00
• 2 Technicians	$25.51	$98,891.03
• Microsoft Licensing	$17.64	$68,370.91
• Lightspeed Content Filtering	$4.64	$17,976.00
• Canvas Learning Management system	$3.74	$14,499.98
- Cost of Program	$78.53	$304,416.92

Additional Services: IReady, Schoolnet, Discovery Education, Learn360, ReadyGen, GradPoint, Clever, NearPod, Read180, Reading Counts, SRI, Destiny, and many more.