

LT Community Advisory Council
Consensus of Table Discussions – November 14, 2024

With a focus on the district's technology: hardware, software and applications, policies and procedures, and staff or roles:

What do you find useful and want LT to keep or continue?

- Keep the continuing the 1:1
- The student tech help desk is a great place to go if you have any problems with your computer
- Efficient to just get a loaner computer right away and not have to wait for yours to get fixed
- Like how the amount of paper being wasted from printing decreased tremendously
- Student-available printers increase
- apps and software are efficient
- Systems that communicate with each other would be great.
- apps/software are available on multiple devices, not just Chromebook
- Infinite Campus allows so much more clarity
- CANVAS
- SCHOOLINKS
- We need to embrace AI.
- School links have been beneficial for Parents to access information about colleges and their students college progression
- LT website is super user-friendly now
- LT has made information really accessible
- Access to teacher notes and slideshows for students with IEPs and 504s would encourage more to follow that model, especially in co-taught classes with special education teachers.
- Love personal devices
- Help desk is always nice and student and offering chargers in classes loaners and charger are accurately available
- Likes infinite campus (have all this information at your fingertips)
- Keep continuing 1:1 (very good)
- Embracing AI don't shun it (as a parent know how to deal with things)
- You could show more feedback on Canvas
- Canvas can Check in with Kids about what they need to do for homework!
- Phone policy seems good
- Infinite Campus for checking on student issues
- WiFi for Chromebooks is great

What causes problems, or might be done in a better way for you?

- For students it can be inconvenient to sign into every website when logging into something. (IC, Canvas, etc)
- Cell signals for phone service aren't the best quality to the point where you can't send text to parents or see text.
- students can't access other email accounts
- It is difficult to connect home printers to chromebooks
- Courses/ Information about technology pros and cons similar to consumer economics more to the students so students truly know what they are getting themselves into. How AI can be beneficial and not to you (Integrate in lunch study halls possibly).
- Possibly giving away the computers to families who need them after four years.

- Parents thought IC and Canvas were hard to access, and not simple to understand
- dive deep into the website in order to find information
- link to links to links
- unclear website and way too busy
- need a centralized location for all information
- software issues
- creating more universal technology for devices
- screen projection from teacher POV
- SCHOOLINKS for earlier years (9/10 grades)
- Chromebooks are generally not built to last for four years. Many students report that their Chromebooks have problems that limit their ability to perform certain tasks. With that said, maybe not only the freshman should get new Chromebooks, but, with the fast progression of demanding software, maybe juniors should get new Chromebooks as well.
- Incentivizing buyback programs and rewarding students for taking care of their devices.
- The idea shouldn't be to take phones away but to teach students to self-manage with cell phones. When students leave high school there won't be someone setting an expectation for students to put away cell phones
- standardize canvas (policy for teachers/ have them all on the same page)
- Have it all in one spot not in all different school systems (Consolidation)
 - Some sort of summary
 - Some go weeks without remembering to check their emails so may be better to send to infinite campus
- For incoming parents have a night were they could understand Technology and how things work (open to all students parents to have a refresher about technology)
- Communication: There is a lot of emails (a little overwhelming) Consolidate (it is useful)
- is there a happy median were you can still get the information you need but you don't get ten emails from LT
- Maybe utilize AI to summarize emails
- Emails should be shortened to bullet points where if they are interested they can click
- Website calendar can be very confusing to find specific information
- Needed sites are blocked for Kids
- Not able to print at home from chromebook
- Fear of Chromebook repair process (advertising procedure)
- Wifi if student aren't allowed to use phones in classes which all are in favor of dit should be allowed in places like cafeteria and need to learn to live it it as it's a forever part of life
- Concerns of education students to use AI and question of copyright checking devices. Grammarly and other editing assistants became flagged as false copyright.
- Teacher more consistent in use of infinite campus and canvas and best practice for softwares, all in one and knowing where to find information (Homework, calendar, test dates, missing work)
- Better extracurricular information where you can find everything in one place with up to date information; inconsistent places instagram, website...
- Not a chromebook fan prefers better computers that at the end of 4 years the option to purchase it for lower cost so that students can carry the device throughout college and so forth; in colledge chromebook doesn't cut it.

Is there anything you know about from colleges, universities or other high schools that LT should be aware of, or explore? (This could be something LT should be using to facilitate or enrich high school experiences, or something for which we should be preparing LT's students to experience once they graduate.)

- Inform students of the long term risk of technology use
- Like how you can see your grades at every second
- More college prep to prepare students for SAT as a goal for the school was to increase the performance of certain demographics, may as well do it for everyone.
- Students in college and people who work for the most part use Microsoft word. So possibly integrate that more.
- clear touch, smartboards
- schoolinks diagnostics
- docuSign (parent signature and sign documents, safe and confidential)
- Feeder school has monthly tech session in library
- College students are using Microsoft, is this a better software to use than google? Is the reason we are using google because we are on Chromebooks?
- How does It spending compare to surrounding districts? Is it more? and if it is how does our technology compare to those districts
- Put the information on Facebook instead of email or do both.
- Consolidate emails maybe put them on Infinite Campus
- Colleges video recording lectures
- Give seniors the ability to buy them or donate them to maybe people who are in lower income
 - Some companies charge you to recycle
- Note Taking softwares
- More college prep from school; for example, some schools have an essay boot camp as part of junior curriculum