



Middle School: Essential Technology

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The Process

Computers Team

- ▷ 3 middle school computers teachers
- ▷ Teacher Leader for Pathway Design and Implementation
- ▷ Coordinator for Career and Technical Education

Curriculum Team

Thomas Bureau	Computers, Larsen Middle School
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The Process

- ▷ Call to committee sent out and reviewed
- ▷ Committee convened in June 2019
 - 2 Days Understanding by Design
 - 8 Days Curriculum Writing
 - Standard selection and alignment
 - Unit Design
 - Assessment Design
 - Resource selection
 - Professional Development identified

Courses Developed

Essential Technology: Introduction to Computers

1. Graphic Design
2. Animation
3. 3D Printing
4. Coding
5. Programming Machines
6. Website Development
7. Photo Editing
8. Video Editing
9. Passion Project

Essential Technology: Interactive Media

1. Graphic Design
2. Animation
3. 3D Printing
4. Coding
5. Programming
6. App Development
7. Augmented/Virtual Reality
8. Audio/Visual Editing
9. Passion Project

Proposal

- ▶ Committee recommends adoption of two new middle school electives
- ▶ Essential Technology (formerly computers)
 - Essential Technology: Introduction to Computers
 - Essential Technology: Interactive Media

Recommended Resources

Item	Quantity	Cost	Description	Total Cost
3D Printer	8	\$1,601.63	Dremel Digilab 3D40 3D Printer	\$12,813.04
iPad	80	\$299.00 \$79.00	iPad	\$30,240.00
Charging Station	8	\$316.97	Pearington 16 Device Portable Table Top Charging and Storage Cabinet	\$2,535.76
Speakers	8	\$97.08	AOMAS GO Bluetooth	\$776.64
Sphero BOLT	40	\$180.44	Sphero BOLT	\$7,217.60
Drone	16	\$98.05	DJI Tello Quadcopter	\$1,568.80
Monitor	16	\$166.10	Philips 276E9QDSB 27" Monitor	\$2,657.60
TOTAL				\$57,809.44

Additional Recommended Resources

Item	Quantity	Cost	Description	Total Cost
Professional Development	8	\$750.00	ISTE Educator Certification	\$6,000.00
Professional Development	1	\$6,000.00	PBL Works Workshop (up to 35 participants)	\$6,000.00
GRAND TOTAL				\$69,809.44

Total Investment \$69,809.44

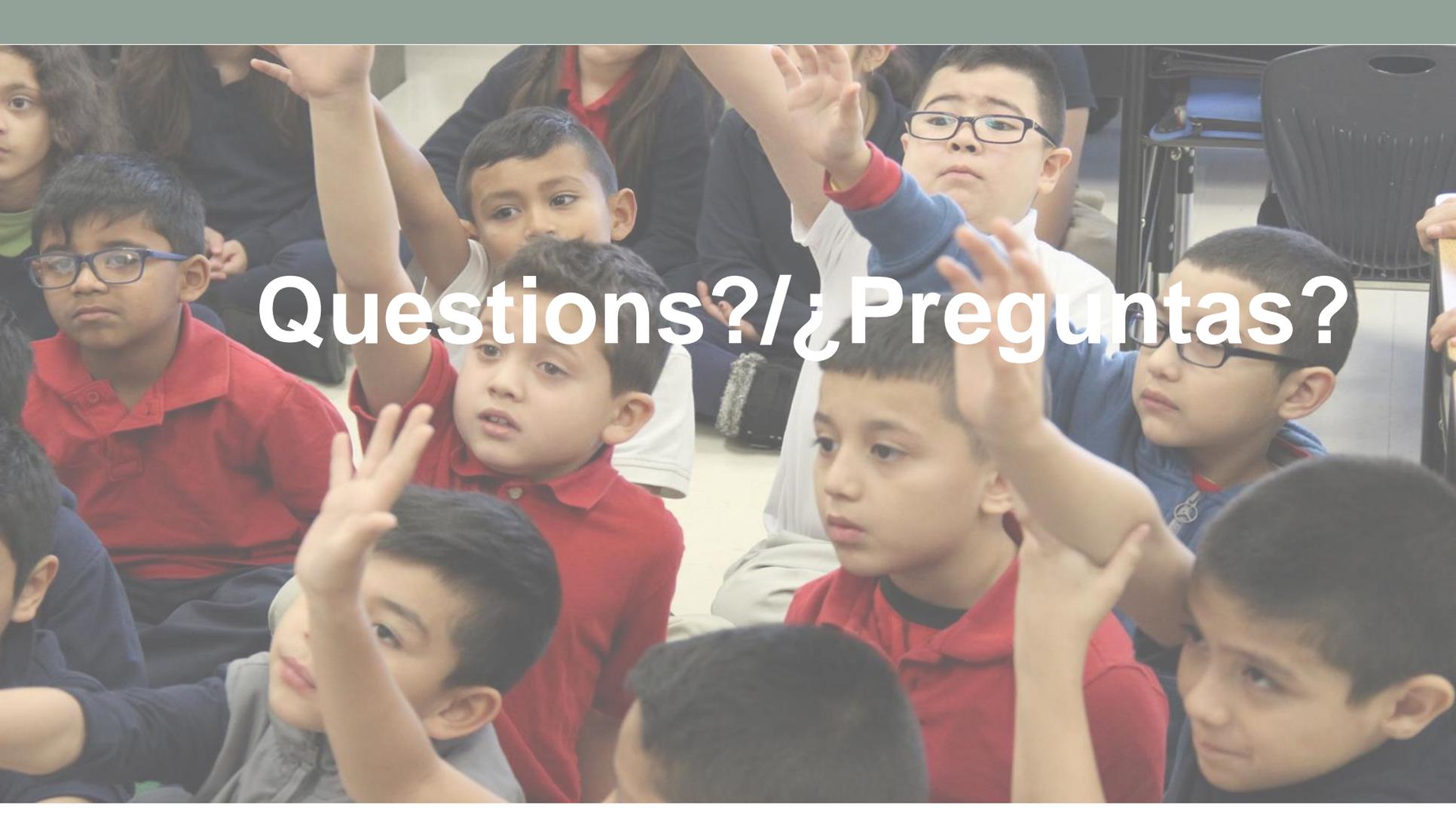
Total cost per student per year: \$5.98

Professional Development: Essential Technology

- ▶ [ISTE Certification](#) (International Society for Technology Education)
 - Cohort possibilities
 - Illinois State Board of Education Professional Development Credits
 - Possible Graduate Credit with Dominican University
- ▶ PBLWorks 101
 - 3 day PD session
 - CPDUs
- ▶ Professional Development for supporting Language Learners through the [Illinois Resource Center](#)
- ▶ Teachers assigned to the Essential Technology Courses will need to self-select areas for professional development in curricular areas

Plans for the Evaluation of Change

- ▶ Professional Development
 - April 2020 - August 2020
- ▶ Implementation of new courses
 - August 2020
- ▶ Review student data and feedback
 - Revise Unit Templates and Assessments accordingly
 - Formal/Informal walk-through to ensure implementation with fidelity

A group of young children, likely in a classroom, are shown with their hands raised, indicating they want to ask a question or answer. The children are diverse in appearance and are wearing red and blue shirts. The text "Questions? / ¿Preguntas?" is overlaid in the center of the image.

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