

socialchat.

What do you see as challenges?

Leanne at 21:06 PM, 25 Jan 2013 via

What do you see as benefits?

Leanne at 21:07 PM, 25 Jan 2013 via

What are some examples or connections?

Leanne at 21:07 PM, 25 Jan 2013 via

**Engaging Social Studies Web Site:
<http://technosocialstudies.weebly.com/>**

Leanne at 06:21 AM, 29 Jan 2013 via

Today's Meet

Dean at 15:08 PM, 29 Jan 2013 via

Ok. Thanks.

Kevin Baron at 15:08 PM, 29 Jan 2013 via

Sounds good. thx

Carrie at 15:08 PM, 29 Jan 2013 via

lindsey this could be used in our unit

Mary at 15:09 PM, 29 Jan 2013 via

Love it, Mary!

Lindsey at 15:10 PM, 29 Jan 2013 via

**This alone made this workshop already
worth it- so cool!**

Carrie at 15:12 PM, 29 Jan 2013 via

True

Sandi at 15:17 PM, 29 Jan 2013 via

I find choices difficult but choices of topics can really help engagement.

Dean at 15:18 PM, 29 Jan 2013 via

I use the vote to check for understanding all the time. It is awesome. I want another set in my school.

Kevin Baron at 15:18 PM, 29 Jan 2013 via

@Kevin Baron Do you use quick vote or set up a notebook?

Dean at 15:19 PM, 29 Jan 2013 via

probably 1,2 and 4 would be my go to activies

Sandi at 15:20 PM, 29 Jan 2013 via

the mimo vote could be used in part of reflection piece

Mary at 15:20 PM, 29 Jan 2013 via

@Sandi While teaching a concept, quick vote but I use notebook for specific tests I have premade.

Kevin Baron at 15:20 PM, 29 Jan 2013 via

I have used blogging with my students - T/F

Dean at 15:37 PM, 29 Jan 2013 via

Any good blogging sites you would recommend?

Dean at 15:38 PM, 29 Jan 2013 via

Having an email sign up is a road block

Michala at 15:38 PM, 29 Jan 2013 via

True - and some blog sites require a paid subscription for all of the features.

Dean at 15:39 PM, 29 Jan 2013 via

We are distracted back here by Leanne's great red boots!

Carrie at 15:40 PM, 29 Jan 2013 via

Hahaha.

Lindsey at 15:41 PM, 29 Jan 2013 via

They are nice boots!

Denise at 15:41 PM, 29 Jan 2013 via

What about my black shoes?

Dean at 15:41 PM, 29 Jan 2013 via

Fabulous site!

Michala at 15:41 PM, 29 Jan 2013 via

Im sure theyre great Dean. Kirsten must have dressed u

Carrie at 15:42 PM, 29 Jan 2013 via

Not really blogging but i have used a lot of wiki's

Kevin Baron at 15:42 PM, 29 Jan 2013 via

wikispaces.com

Kevin Baron at 15:42 PM, 29 Jan 2013 via

I have used podcasting with my students - T/F

Dean at 15:46 PM, 29 Jan 2013 via

I am very excited for all of this but a real barrier is not having one computer per student all in the same room.

Kevin Baron at 15:49 PM, 29 Jan 2013 via

very motivating for kids!

Mary at 15:49 PM, 29 Jan 2013 via

@Baron Yes - that is a challenge especially in the community schools where students don't have tech to bring.

Dean at 15:50 PM, 29 Jan 2013 via

Our school just went byot and we are lucky that pretty much all kids in 7/8 have a device. takes strain off school computers

Carrie at 15:50 PM, 29 Jan 2013 via

@Baron So, "taking turns" still needs to be done or creativity to rotate students through roles.

Dean at 15:51 PM, 29 Jan 2013 via

byot....great idea! Thanks

Michala at 15:51 PM, 29 Jan 2013 via

Any chance schools will all get tablets to replace laptops? much less cumbersome. .

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Carrie at 15:51 PM, 29 Jan 2013 via

A tablet also allows for instant access with no log in wait time

Kevin Baron at 15:52 PM, 29 Jan 2013 via

We also need to work with the speed of our laptops, it took 25 minutes for my class to log on the internet yesterday

Tyler at 15:52 PM, 29 Jan 2013 via

@Baron @Carrie Tech plan will be communicated soon. Flexibility was highly stressed as a need by the focus groups.

Dean at 15:52 PM, 29 Jan 2013 via

Laptops can't handle these sites as a whole class. Possibly in learning groups

Michala at 15:52 PM, 29 Jan 2013 via

I was told that with new roll outs students will not need leave their own classroom to access computers

Kevin Baron at 15:53 PM, 29 Jan 2013 via

@Tyler Yes, this has also been communicated and is being included as a high need....instant access.

Dean at 15:53 PM, 29 Jan 2013 via

With byot I dont even use school computers anymore.kids have their devices at the ready anytime anywhere

Carrie at 15:53 PM, 29 Jan 2013 via

@Carrie - which requires some flexibility in our instruction as we have to be ready for a variety of devices. Great to hear!

Dean at 15:54 PM, 29 Jan 2013 via

What are the management/security issues with byot or it is not a concern?

Michala at 15:54 PM, 29 Jan 2013 via

For byot. I had a kid ask to use his ipod/iphone for online research. Would you allow that?

Christine at 15:55 PM, 29 Jan 2013 via

My class is not involved in BYOT, we did not have enough participation from the students

Tyler at 15:55 PM, 29 Jan 2013 via

@Michala We have a group of elementary schools that started BYOT after christmas so we can address and evaluate.

Dean at 15:55 PM, 29 Jan 2013 via

@Michala-we had to reinforce procedures-when and where can be used.students/parents sign division acceptable use agreement

Carrie at 15:56 PM, 29 Jan 2013 via

Format Factory on the classroom community helps with transferring files between incompatible devices - android and macs

Christine at 15:56 PM, 29 Jan 2013 via

@Christine I think that, with the acceptable use policy and digital

citizenship, we are hoping they will use these responsibly for research.

Dean at 15:56 PM, 29 Jan 2013 via

Leanne - Thanks. Could my school be BYOT or is it a pilot with the others right now?

Michala at 15:57 PM, 29 Jan 2013 via

@Michala At this point, we have started with the few schools that wanted to be early starters based on administrator interest. I can check.

Dean at 15:57 PM, 29 Jan 2013 via

Leanne - Understood and I'd appreciate that.

Michala at 15:58 PM, 29 Jan 2013 via

@dean. But isn't an ipod too small of a device to use. Or is that the point?

Christine at 15:58 PM, 29 Jan 2013 via

@Christine Many do use the small screen for initial research. Social bookmarking can allow for scanning and saving sites for further resear

Dean at 16:00 PM, 29 Jan 2013 via

@Christine. diigo.com and delicious.com are two sites for social bookmarking....saving sites to be accessed on any device and then shared.

Dean at 16:01 PM, 29 Jan 2013 via

@dean. Thanks :)

Christine at 16:02 PM, 29 Jan 2013 via

Remember, these are just one form of presenting. There are so many options out there....more complex and less complex.

Dean at 16:05 PM, 29 Jan 2013 via

Photostory is one we have online to create a video that can be posted online. It is on our laptops and a simple tool without accounts.

Dean at 16:06 PM, 29 Jan 2013 via

What in the world is also in French- we use it at St Pius en francais

Carrie at 16:09 PM, 29 Jan 2013 via

Costly but so worth it! Use it every month

Carrie at 16:10 PM, 29 Jan 2013 via

I also love this resource it is good for many different levels

Tyler at 16:11 PM, 29 Jan 2013 via

Completely worth the money!

Christine at 16:11 PM, 29 Jan 2013 via

The Northern Pipeline is great for the Resources and Wealth strand. So many tie-ins.

Dean at 16:11 PM, 29 Jan 2013 via

our teachers love it! true very worth it!

Mary at 16:11 PM, 29 Jan 2013 via

@Dean can you display the student's specific answers on the quickvote

Kevin Baron at 16:15 PM, 29 Jan 2013 via

Not on the MimioStudio Screen. All answers go into the Gradebook and are marked automatically. You have to create a class first.

Dean at 16:16 PM, 29 Jan 2013 via

In the Gradebook you can then see specifically what how each student responded to each question.

Dean at 16:16 PM, 29 Jan 2013 via

yes I have classes created I was just hoping for a quick look at what students answered in some situations.

Kevin Baron at 16:17 PM, 29 Jan 2013 via

It also takes a screenshot of your computer when you start the question so you can see what was going on when you asked the question.

Dean at 16:17 PM, 29 Jan 2013 via

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