Classroom Management Tips & Strategies for the Digital Age

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Digital Classroom Management

Basics – Posters - Setup – Design decisions – Flexible seating – Electronics procedures

Basics

District or building tech support staff
  can be your best friends

- Know district filtering, URL blocking, cyberbullying, and security procedures
- Know the Acceptable Use Policy (AUP) and how to explain the importance to your students
- Find a safe and convenient place to store and charge devices (even using dishracks)
- Develop a system for assigning devices to your students
- Have a procedure for when devices are to be used, charged, and turned on or off
- Have a posted procedure and rules about using the printer

Create and print Posters

Students can help create posters with computer safety tips.

Check out the resources on pinterest.com
or Teachers Pay Teachers Printables and search for Computer
https://www.teacherspayteachers.com/Browse/Type-of-Resource/Printables

Setting up your Classroom

Have a Plan B ready to go when the network or access is down!

- Post digital citizenship tips and expectations for behavior

- Let students help establish some of the guidelines

- Model appropriate behavior at all times, pointing it out

- Have additional options available when work is completed

- Build excitement about things they will learn today, tomorrow, this week

- Have a Flip Chart for things they want to learn how to do that they can add to

Planning for group work and testing

○ How to see their screens and monitor their use (see the next slide on Flexible Seating)

○ How to have them work in small groups and in partners

○ How to manage test-taking and avoid common ways to cheat (dim screen, access cell phone, use screen shots, cover up the keyboard, plagiarism, auto-summarize features used for essays, purchased content.

   ○ Collect all cell phones and digital devices not used in the testing

   ○ Make shorter exams with lower points so there is no pressure to cheat

Classroom Design continued:
Flexible Seating

⭕Resources that help make an impact:

⭕Flexible Seating from the REMC Engaging Students in a Personalized Classroom

⭕16 Awesome Flexible-Seating Classrooms That'll Blow Your Teacher Mind

⭕21 Awesome Ideas for Flexible Seating

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Establish Electronics Procedures

- Post safe computing rules explaining why they are important, and review these periodically as needed
- Create and post an Etiquette Policy – involve students in the creation of it
- Establish standards for Naming, Storing, and Sharing digital files
- When I say or do xxx it means look at me and pay attention
  - Raise hand, clap, bell,
- Have a clear policy about when access to their device may be removed for a given period of time

Technology Competencies, Standards & Resources

Michigan – ISTE – Digital Citizenship - Digital Footprint – Aligned teaching resources

Michigan Technology Competencies for Students (MITECS)

[Michigan Integrated Technology Competencies for Students](#) are based on the ISTE Standards (next slide)

Competencies focus on learning enhanced by technology, rather than on technology tools and reflect a learner-driven approach that empowers students to be active participants in determining their educational pursuits.

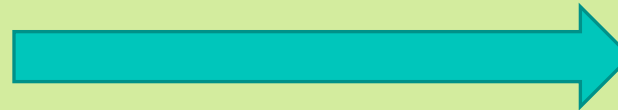Michigan Integrated Technology Competencies for Students

ISTE Standards for Students

The International society for Technology In Education
[Standards for Students](#)
[Standards for Educators](#)
[Standards for Education Leaders](#)
[Stanidards for Computational Thinking](#)
[Standards for Coaches](#)

① Empowered Learner

② Digital Citizen

③ Knowledge Constructor

④ Innovative Designer

⑤ Computational Thinker

⑥ Creative Communicator

⑦ Global Collaborator

Digital Citizenship

- ISTE [Essential Elements of Digital Citizenship](#)
- 3 categories: Respect, educate, and protect
- #DigCitCommit
- REMC [Digital Citizenship Toolkit](#)
- Common Sense Education [Digital Citizenship Implementation Guide](#)

Digital Footprint: ISTE student standard

ISTE Standards in Action
DIGITAL CITIZEN
2A: DIGITAL FOOTPRINT

Click this link to watch the video
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5ZccXJ_71sY

Have students share their digital identity and explain what steps they take to to protect their reputation and privacy.

ISTE YouTube Channel
https://www.youtube.com/user/istevideos

- Videos for all of the ISTE standards

- Has Real Ideas from Real Educators

  - Examples: Augmented Reality, Self-Paced Classroom is Transformative, Creating a Culturally Responsive Classroom, Teaching Coding, Law and Ethics of Copyright

- Has TED Masterclass Sessions at ISTE 2019

- Tips for building STEM into the curriculum

- Create a Safe Classroom for Courageous Conversations

REMC Resources

Classroom Resources
- [Media Literacy Toolkit](#)
- [Digital Citizenship Toolkit](#)
- [iPads In Action](#)
- [Classroom Makers](#)

Self-Paced Learning Units
- [Engaging Students in a Personalized Classroom](#)
- [Making the Most of Your Google Classroom](#)
- [Transforming Education – The Maker Movement](#)