

Archdiocese Technology Coordinators Meeting
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From Michael White:

(Michael has attended one of these and it was very informative)

Scratch Support Drop-in Session

Thursday, November 20, 4:30-6:30 p.m.

Space is limited, please RSVP for this event by calling (651) 221-4563 or emailing sciencehouse@smm.org

Scratch is a multimedia programming software that enables you and your students to design and create your own video games, animations, and interactive stories using its visual programming language. For more information on Scratch visit www.scratchr.org.

Co-hosted by the Learning Technologies Center and Science House, these sessions will provide an introduction to Scratch for those new to the community and troubleshooting, support, and lesson ideas to veteran users. A classroom set of 30 Scratch Boards is also now available for check out.

This is the first of seven monthly sessions. Upcoming meetings are scheduled for:

Thursday, December 18, 4:30-6:30 p.m.

Additional dates will be added for 2009.

For driving and parking information please visit:

<http://www.smm.org/sciencehouse/parking/>

Faithful Shepherd starting Scratch club after school as a pilot program – develop games or animations with building blocks. Hope to add scratchboards in the future. Can Download scratch at: <http://scratch.mit.edu/>

Point is to be creative but have a point.

5th graders researching inventor or invention and animated it was done by IHMCs.

Comments need to be approved by Jill Elfering to keep something on EdTech Avenue

Researched High Schools: Wendy Mitchel -
BSM Steve Poland is encouraged and will start coming to our meetings...is excited to work with us to development curriculum

Jill – contacted Holy Angels a couple of years ago. Test out Study guide...how they assess keyboarding skills, etc. (Hand out)

Standards she researched are on EdTech Ave. Don't know how productive we can be just once a month. Uploaded ideas to google docs. Share through a google account and collaborate on line when we have time...as collaborating decide what should be discussed face to face. Jill would be more than happy to do this ... each person would have to create their own google account... let Jill know what e-mail address you want associated with it and she will send an invite to join it: Go to google.com and where it says sign in...create an account – you do have to have a gmail account ... At the meeting we all created google accounts.

What do we want the standards to look like and what form to have in it?

What do we want to have on it?

Wendy presented suggestion of Grid or Curriculum Map

What the standard is and what you can do to introduce that standard

Checklist form?

Grid, has standards, grade level, skill, etc. Doesn't tell how you can actually incorporate into the classroom. Example of what St. Hubert's developed. Possibly get the master copy

If principals were all on board...would we possibly be able to meet some day and do a workshop day with planning our standards?

December a good idea... but there is ties convention.

Week of December 15th? Wednesday, December 17th, Tuesday, 16th, then Thursday, 18th ... Jill Elfering willing to host.

Don't want to exclude any people. Can collaborate on line. Jill will do a post on EdTechAvenue RSVP – to Jill - then possibly check send out invitations through outlook.

Michael will e-mail Mary Kane to advise of our Curriculum planning ideas.

Check to see if we can get clock hours on this as it is curriculum planning.

To be prepared bring to the Curriculum Planning “workshop”:

Copy of the Standards

Bring all of resources for curriculum that we use.

List of software, skills, achievement grid

Any information that you think would be relevant. If you want to have people look at ahead of time post to google docs or send to EdTech Avenue.

Infosourcelearning.com (Mala Chakravorty) – goes by standards. Free online technology standards testing ... free this year. Test questions were specifically for word. Review reports online - Need to present names and passwords to company. Aren't sure what grade specific these tests may be. Originally retailed at \$10.00 per student. Don't know if there is a way to save the test...need to complete at once. Approximately 60 questions. 25 students at a time can take the test... to not lock up the site. You have to sign up to do the free thing. Answers for the questions were some click somewhere on the document, some were multiple choice.

Michael – School Piece with Logos – no further ahead – new superintendent of archdiocesan schools Martha Frauenheim is taking this on personally to get this done. Will interface with 2 different programs and look at possibly getting it to talk to powerschool and a few other programs. Consultants – Logos written by a consultant in Florida. – Is very PC friendly... when get into the mac environment it is more difficult to work with. There is a web based version yet most locations had to install a client at each site. Application itself is relatively good (accounting portion). However, interface is somewhat oversold. Need to make it all web based to not be a problem for all the parishes.

Photostudio – Arc software – photo editing

Gimp – opensource form

www.opensourcemacs.org – good source

Spellingcity.com – teachers really like this – teachers can get a free account – will teach and test and can play games with the words. If teachers put on their account they remain on the account...if students enter them they are gone if they go in next time.

Michael –(Handout) www.facts4me.com

Can go in to get a freebee look at the program.

Sarah – took classes at Hamline – new license – have tech license – 5/12 license, k-8 license not a stand alone license. What was the reason for the co-hort? K-8 Educational technology 5/12 industrial tech ... possibly merging... Possibly check with Cara Hagen to see what this may be for relicensure.

Next meeting January 12th – CEFM – Joan May facilitator

Please keep looking for more information on the all day Curriculum Planning.