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## CLASSLINK PUBLIC PORTAL

ClassLink's Public Portal is a transparency tool that provides community access to a district's approved apps, digital resources, and educational technology policies without needing a login. It helps districts meet state transparency requirements while showcasing the educational tools used in school.

Key Features of the Public Portal:

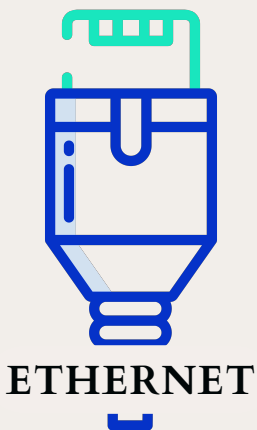
- Resource Transparency: Lists all approved educational apps.
- Policy Access: Links to privacy policies and terms of service.
- Public Access: No password or credentials required to view information.

ClassLink's Public Portal can be found under the Parents/Students tab on the district website. The direct link for your viewing is <https://portal.classlink.com/fcstn>



## DID YOU KNOW?

On May 22, 1973 Xerox researcher Bob Metcalfe proposed "Ethernet" to connect computers. Robert Metcalfe, a researcher at the Xerox Palo Alto Research Center in California, writes his original memo proposing an "Ethernet," a means of connecting computers together. Metcalfe described the document, typed out on an IBM Selectric typewriter, as follows: "Ether Acquisition" ... heavy with handwritten annotations -- one of which was "ETHER!" -- and with hand-drawn diagrams -- one of which showed 'boosters' interconnecting branched cable, telephone, and radio ethers in what we now call an internet.... If Ethernet was invented in any one memo, by any one person, or on any one day, this was it."



ETHERNET

# NATIONAL TECHNOLOGY DAY

The National Day of Technology, celebrated on May 11th, serves as a reminder of how crucial it is to stay updated with the latest advancements in technology. Whether it's for personal development or professional growth, staying current with technology can open doors and create new opportunities. This day has been observed since 1999. Let's remember the achievements of scientists, researchers, engineers, and all others involved in the field of science & technology on May 11th.



# SUMMER BREAK TO DO LIST

**Physical Cleaning:** Wipe down devices, keyboards, and screens, removing any debris.

**Data Backup:** Back up all files to cloud storage (Google Drive) or an external drive.

**Power Down:** Shut down and unplug computers, projectors, document cameras, and power strips to save energy.

**Device Prep:** If managing a cart of devices, ensure they are plugged in, locked, and fully charged, as noted in the Technology Checklist for Summer Break!.

**Password Management:** Update password settings for accounts that might expire over the summer.

**Update Google Classroom:** Archive old courses in Google Classroom.

**Curate Resources:** Create a bookmark folder of digital resources and tutorials.

**Explore New Tech:** Explore new AI and new engagement and visual/creative tools.

Please help us preserve the life of your ViewSonic's and projectors by turning them off when you leave your room. Thank you!



# HAPPY BIRTHDAY, BRANDON!



Brandon Mosley is our Tech Department's Inventory Specialist and Technician for South Middle School. He has been with our school districts Tech Department for 24 years and is a major asset to our team. We hope he has the best birthday on May 9th!

# HAPPY BELATED BIRTHDAY, SHAWN!

Shawn Oneal is our Tech Department's Networking Specialist, which includes handling servers, switches, and routers, and Computer Technician for several schools in the district. He has been with our Tech Department for 11 years and I embarrassingly forgot to give a birthday shout out to him in the April Newsletter. His birthday was on April 10th!



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