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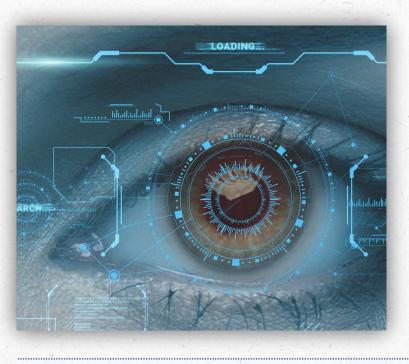
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Did You Know?

Gamification can improve educational outcomes significantly, by up to 45.45% alone, and up to 60.67% when combined with reading. Challenge-based gamification can lead to an 89.45% improvement in outcomes. So, if you are not using Gamification in the classroom to enhance engagement, motivate certain behaviors, and make tasks fun, then get in the game;)

Al Practice Prompts

Use these Al Practice Prompts to explore how Al can support your daily workflow, improve communication, and sprinkle a little fun into your day. Try copy-pasting a few into an Al of your choice. Using more than one Al platform? See if the responses change between them!

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National IT Professionals Day, Tuesday, Sept. 16th



To celebrate, each of us in the Tech Department answered the question, "Why do you love working in Technology?"

Laurie Baggett - "The ever-changing world of technology truly excites me. I find it rewarding to continuously learn and then use that knowledge to help others. I especially enjoy collaborating with teachers to find creative ways to bring technology into their teaching."

Shawn Oneal – "I've always had a love for technology, especially the networking, security, and handling servers, switches and routers on the backend. It was the easiest thing for me in school; it just came naturally. The endpoint side of things is just too complicated and messy for me to make any sense of it."

Libby Yates - "I love being able to help others with their tech issues and there are always new and exciting things to learn!"

Brandon Mosley - "I initially wanted to be a veterinarian! However, since I started working in the school system as a student technician when I was in high School, I've developed a true passion for technology. Technologies constant evolution truly keeps my mind engaged as I strive to keep up with all the changes. I also find great satisfaction in helping others with my knowledge and enjoy offering suggestions on how teachers can integrate technology into their daily teaching."

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Andrea Houser - "I love working in tech because the field is so diverse and I never get bored with the work I do daily. When I am sent a request for help I get excited because I know I will be able to help and their gratitude makes me happy. Aspects of my job also allow me to be creative and innovative, which I thrive on."

JJ Moye - "Coming from backgrounds in Radio Broadcasting (8 years) and Finance (20 years), I initially had limited technology knowledge beyond basic computer programs and internet surfing. Over the past 10 years, I've learned an immense amount in the Technology Department, working alongside some of the best in the field. We continuously learn from each other, and it's incredibly rewarding to share that knowledge with teachers, administrators, and other staff. One of my favorite aspects of working in technology is attending yearly tech conferences. It's fascinating to learn about the progress of technology, seeing new software and equipment, and discussing upcoming industry additions with our vendors. Being able to see these innovations incorporated into our small district is truly gratifying."

Hal Hill - "I have always been a bit of a tech geek. As a kid, I would tear open any electronics that I had to see how it worked and of course tinkered with it and broke some of them. I like the fact that a lot of our daily work is not repetitive or monotonous. I like logically thinking through technology problems to hopefully find where the breakdown is occurring in order to find a solution. Although the most difficult scenarios are very frustrating, I do like the challenge of resolving them. I also love the family feel of our department that a lot of workplaces do not have."

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Google Workspace Training

Build your digital skills with this <u>Basic Use of Google Workspace for Education Fundamentals Course</u>. Units included in this course are:

- Organize Your Classroom
- Communicate with Students and Parents
- Manage Time Effectively
- Manage Student Work
- Measure Student Progress

Recognize & Avoid Phishing Scams

Recently a district employee opened a link on a phishing email; when the user clicked on the link the attacker was able to capture the username and password for that employees district Gmail account. We took proper security measures and were able to prevent the attacker from doing harm. Please be diligent with learning to recognize and avoid these types of cyberattacks. Learn more by clicking <u>here</u>.





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