

Bits and Bytes



October, 2014 Edition

October Focus:

Digital Citizenship

St. Johns County teachers are required to teach Digital Citizenship lessons each year in order to meet [Federal CIPA guidelines](#).

A minimum of five lessons per year will include a theme of digital citizenship including: Digital Etiquette, Online Safety, Plagiarism/Copyright, Cyberbullying, Security/privacy, Social Networking, Evaluating Sources, and Effective Internet Searching. Additionally, teachers should strive to continually promote ethical technology behavior throughout the school year. Our Instructional Technology Team has compiled Digital Citizenship resources for use in all grade levels. To access these resources, you can join our Digital Citizenship Edmodo Group (Code: 6JXVQX), or email us for access to a OneNote notebook.

Additionally, we encourage teachers and schools to become Digitally Certified Educators through Common Sense Media. [Click here](#) for more details.

Our Monthly newsletter features interactive elements using Zappar.

To view the interactive content follow these quick and easy steps...

- Download the Zappar free app
- Scan the zapcodes located throughout this newsletter.



A ZAPCODE LOOKS LIKE THIS



DOODLEBUDDY



CHATTERPIX



Step 1: Use Doodle Buddy to draw a picture of yourself, a story character, or a famous person from history.

Step 2: Bring your character to life by drawing an animated mouth and recording your voice to make your character talk.

Step 3: Think of all the ways you could use this in your classroom...book reviews, summaries, biography presentations, PSAs, etc.

APP SMASH OF THE MONTH





Would you like to be featured in our monthly newsletter?

Email Brock, Lindsay, or Kristin and let us know how you are using technology to engage students in your classroom.

SJTHS students are part of the St. Johns County iNOVATE 1:1 Digital Learning Initiative.

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT ST JOHNS TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL?

On September 3rd, SJTHS students participated in a full day of Digital Citizenship lessons and activities. Throughout the day middle and high school students rotated through lessons on Social Media, Digital Footprint, Rights and Responsibilities, Cyberbullying and other topics.

St Johns Technical High School joins Palencia Elementary as a 1:1 digital school. Each student will be provided their own iPad or laptop, which are scheduled to go home with students later this year. This Digital Citizenship Day presented an opportunity for school administrators and teachers to demonstrate the importance of caring for their devices, and being good citizens online. Before receiving their devices, students will be awarded a Digital Citizenship badge that will earn them the privilege of using the device at school as well as taking it home for assignments.

Additionally, St. Johns Technical High School will be the first school in our district to become digitally certified through Common Sense Media. We are hoping to have all of our schools achieve this goal by the end of the 2015-2016 school year. For more information about how you can become a Digitally Certified Educator, contact Kristin Harrington or Lindsay Burke.

OCTOBER SCOOP IT!

[Click here to access some great EdTech articles.](#)



“Any sufficiently advanced technology is indistinguishable from magic.”

Arthur C. Clarke

Research | News

Survey: 9 in 10 Students Say Tablets Will Change How They Learn

By Joshua Bolkan | 09/08/14

Ninety percent of students said tablets will change the way they learn and 89 percent said the devices would make learning more fun, according to a new survey conducted by Harris Poll for Pearson.

The survey of 2,252 students in grades 4-12 found that 81 percent of those surveyed said tablets help them learn in a way that's best for them and 79 percent said the devices help them do better in class. Black and Hispanic students, at 88 and 86 percent, respectively, were even more likely to say that

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UPCOMING EVENTS

[FETC Virtual Conference](#)- Thursday, October 23rd from 10:30am-6:00pm.

SJCSD Non-Instructional Inservice Day- Friday, October 24th from 8:00am-3:30pm

St. Augustine ECET2 Conference- Friday, October 24th from 8:00am-4:00pm @ Gamble Rogers Middle School

Discovery Education Streamathon- Saturday, October 25th from 9:00am-3:30pm

Technology Task Challenges

Each month, our newsletter will feature a technology task challenge. Teachers who would like to participate, should join our Edmodo group and turn in the assignment.

Teachers who successfully complete the challenge will be entered in a drawing for a gift card.

October Teacher Challenge

Materials Needed: Teacher Laptop

Description: You will create a Padlet account and set up a virtual wall to use in your classroom.

Assignment: Click below and complete the task. Join our Task Challenge Edmodo group (code: 4myeat). Turn in your Padlet Wall link for the assignment. Email Kristin Harrington if you have any questions.

[Click Here](#) for more details. [Click here](#) to view our archived Teacher Task Challenges.

Congratulations to **Mrs. Birbal**, Winner of our September Teacher Task Challenge. Mrs. Birbal will receive a \$20.00 gift card to **The Hyppo**.

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- Virtual Field Trip Resources
- A “Flipped Classroom” and Gamification in action

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