
To: Board of Education

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Information Technology for Learning Update for February 2020

People and Resources

1. ITL Student Work Experience with GVSD High Schools
 - The IT for Learning Department has extended the opportunity to one high school student per semester to gain a general understanding of enterprise IT-related systems, processes and tasks through job-shadowing
 - To ensure sustainability, the work experience is limited to a total of 35 hours spread across multiple different roles within the department
 - We would like to thank our staff for being so supportive of student learning in the workplace
2. Educational Technology Advisory Committee (ETAC) commenced for 2020

Service Delivery

1. MPS Project Implementation
 - The Managed Print Services (MPS) project has now passed 40% completion.
 - As presented to the Operations Policy and Planning Committee, the MPS project standardizes and modernizes print and copy services at GVSD to reduce paper consumption and increase document privacy
 - More information regarding MPS can be found here:
<https://techforlearning.sd61.bc.ca/managed-print-services-2020>
2. ITL Newsletter Launch
 - The Information Technology for Learning Newsletter is a new monthly initiative to keep all GVSD staff up to date with ITL news and tech tips. It also provides a feedback mechanism for staff to let us know what technologies and issues they would like to see covered or understand in more detail
 - Previous issues of the ITL Newsletter can be found here:
<https://techforlearning.sd61.bc.ca/updates/monthly-newsletter>

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Network, Infrastructure, and Operations

1. ECS Project Completion

- The Enhanced Cybersecurity Services (ECS) for the Next Generation Network (NGN) is a project that was implemented in fifty-nine school districts across British Columbia between September 2018 and March 2020.
- The ECS project took the previous NGN implementation, which standardized networking and security settings, and added enhanced security services layer that met industry and K-12 best practices and standards.
- GVSD was one of three pilot districts that worked with the Provincial ECS team to help shape and refine the project plan for rolling out to the rest of the districts.

Applications and Data

1. Learning Support referrals application launched to support Inclusive Learning staff
2. Student Transportation application updated
3. Restored Language application (Remedy and D35) updated to meet new criteria
4. Catchment boundary review and enrollment projections data and reporting support

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