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# Information Technology for Learning

# Update Nov 2020





## Recap – Dept. Initiatives May 2020

Digital transformation.

Building a privacy and security aware culture.

Simplify our access to information through data visualization and analytics .

Evergreen technology refresh cycle – student devices, educator laptops, staff workstations.







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### **Digital Transformation**

Managed Print Services - Accelerated implementation – completed by July 2021

Summer School & Strongstart – Online registration and booking systems live

**Online Consent Forms – Parent Connect and Student Connect launched** 

Microsoft 365 – Canadian tenancy, PIA written, Email (Exchange Online) project over Christmas break Microsoft Teams, Office Online, Records Workflow to follow





### **Privacy and Security**

Parent Connect & Student Connect – Informed consent for parents and students

Digital tools in the classroom – Request, prioritize, privacy scan, communicate

Cybersecurity – Account compromise protocol, Phishing intelligence dashboard

Staff engagement – visit targeted schools to speak at staff meetings re Phishing

IT for Learning Newsletter – monthly bulletin with a focus on digital governance.

5-year Network Infrastructure plan being finalized







*Welcome to the* GVSD Parent Connect

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Remember me?

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Forgot your password?

Or sign in with an existing service

Sign in with Google

About GVSD Parent Connect

The Greater Victoria School District is proud to provide a secure online space called



#### First time visiting? Create an account:









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Strawberry Vale Elementary

### School Website



Form	Status 🔺	Due Date
G Suite for Education	Signed up	Sep 30, 2020
FreshGrade	Signed up	Sep 30, 2020
Zoom Video Conferencing	Signed up	Sep 30, 2020
Epic! Digital Library	Signed up	Sep 30, 2020
Khan Academy	Signed up	Sep 30, 2020



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### **Questions for online digital tool providers:**

- What is the revision date of your privacy policy?
- Please list all personal information that could be collected from teachers, students and parents through using your service.
- How is this personal information used by your company?
- What other companies is this personal information shared with and how are other companies able to use/share it?
- Does your company use personal information to advertise your service or other company services to teachers, students or parents?
- Where is personal information stored? Specifics include what hosting service provider you use and what hosting region(s) you have selected.
- How can teachers, students or parents request that personal information of their own or a student/child be deleted?





#### Reasons to use Epic!

EPIC! is a collection of over 40,000 high-quality picture books, chapter books, graphic novels, audiobooks and more for students ages 12 and under. Having access to a wide and appealing variety of texts is important for engaging students as they develop their skills as readers. Epic! doesn't explicitly level their reading resources like some services. Like a regular library, students are given the opportunity to explore the collection based on their interests and preferred formats. This exploration gives them the chance to practice finding books that are just right for them in terms of reading difficulty, a skill we strive to instill. Like their school and public library, but online for remote access, Epic! provides a large collection of resources students can explore on their own or under the direction of their teacher.

### **Privacy Summary**

Epic! collects personal information related to signing up for the service and the interactions between students, parents and teachers. Information about students includes first and last names, student ID numbers, usernames and passwords, gender and other demographic information, learning level, and performance data, responses to questions, activities, assignments, and postings to forums.

Personal information is stored outside of Canada and may be disclosed to Epic! service providers who provide services such as website hosting, data analysis, payment processing, order fulfillment, information technology and related infrastructure provision, customer service, email delivery, auditing, and other services. Also, user submissions may be posted publicly including your child's profile, the profile name and avatar.

You have options to edit or delete information in your user account, make choices regarding subscriptions, updates, and product alerts, receive offers and promotions from Epic! and third parties, and request access to the personal information that has been collected on your account and ask Epic! to change or delete it.

Link to the Epic! privacy policy for parents: https://www.getepic.com/privacy







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dd Availa	ble Consent Item		
	Title	Description	Туре
	G Suite for Education	Google G Suite for Education services for students in grades K through 8	District
×	Zoom Video Conferencing	Zoom Video Conferencing consent for students	District
×	Epic! Digital Library	Epic! Digital Library	District
×	IXL Math [\$]	IXL Math	District
×	Khan Academy	Khan Academy	District
×	Learning A-Z! - Raz-Kids, Raz- Plus, ELL Collection [\$]	Learning A-Z! - Raz-Kids, Raz-Plus, ELL Collection	District
×	Mathletics [\$]	Mathletics	District
×	Prodigy	Prodigy	District
×	Scratch	Scratch	District

### **Data Visualization and Analytics**

Near term:

Enhancing Student Learning Reporting Order DATA  $\rightarrow$  KNOWLEDGE Data Analyst team to support easier access to information Focus on student opportunities (before the broader organization) Exploring our newly FIPPA compliant platform Power BI

### Long term:

Creating a multi-year data strategy to support the Strategic Plan Using data efficiently to help inform decision making





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## Technology Refresh Cycle

### Federal Funding for the safe return to school







## **Technology For Learning Operational Plan**

2015 - 2019

- **Goal #1** Increase equity of access to technology for all learners.
- **Goal #2** Increase the network of support for adoption and integration of technology for staff.
- **Goal #3** Promote responsible student use of technology for learning.
- **Goal #4** Communicate and collaborate using technology to facilitate One Learning Community.
- **Goal #5** Ensure exemplary technology operations and governance.





## **Technology For Learning Operational Plan**

Following the new GVSD Strategic Plan

2021 - 2025?

Guided by our Indigenous Education Department and the District Team

ITL must also be integral in becoming an inclusive and culturally responsive organization

Ensure every ITL department member sees themselves in the Operational and Strategic Plans

Student voice on projects impacting schools

Modernizing business operations supporting HR, Finance, Facilities, etc.

Technology for Learning built upon the foundation of Support and Infrastructure







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