Mapleton School Community Council Meeting Minutes
December 7, 2020

Members Present

Julie Peery, Margie Jordan, Stephanie Ferweda, Katie Thorpe, Stephanie Evans

Absent

Lisa Standifird, Shayne Hunsaker

MINUTES

1. Digital Citizenship
   - Mrs. Peery has a document with the bill that was passed on using technology safely in our school system.
   - District uses content keeper that filters websites in different areas. The district errs on the side of caution, but a teacher can submit a request for a site to be unblocked. This still goes through the district for approval. The school gets a content keeper report that lets them know if students have done a search for an inappropriate content word. The principal will talk to the student about that.
   - Anytime the student uses their google Nebo account it will be filtered by the school district. Chromebooks that go home are also filtered through content keeper. Mrs. Peery is check to see if it works if they are on a home computer but using their school google account.
   - The ultimate goal of the state and district are for students to have smart digital citizenship. NetSmartz has done assemblies for us in the past that teaches students about digital responsibility. The last couple of years we purchased this. This year, we purchased the ability to show online lessons from NetSmartz to still present the information to students even though we aren't having assemblies this year. Mrs. Peery showed a clip of what one of the lessons might look like.
   - NetSmartz is our main source for presenting lessons on digital citizenship. This year teachers are showing the lessons. Our computer teacher shared the first few lessons herself.
   - Please share any issues you see with student computer use at home. One parent mentioned math games, and that has been removed at the school.

2. Technology use in the school and classrooms
- Mrs. Peery talked about our one to one usage. The last grade level to come online will be kindergarten. We are just waiting for the touch screen chrome books to arrive.
- Stephanie Ferweda shared some of the uses of technology in her 6th grade classroom. Some of the items she shared were:

- o Writing has been easier and she can respond to them easily within the documents they type.
  - o Content that you normally can't view—like solar system—is easier to show students.
  - o She feels science and writing have been most impacted with technology in her classroom.
- Mrs. Peery also talked about how students are producers of content now, and their production of content impacts their learning and understanding of subjects. She shared a project she saw in second grade with animal reports, and the students recorded their reports in an app where you talk and the animal moves their mouth. When done recording, the students have a video of an animal talking and giving information from their report.
- Parents shared their feelings on technology use. One parents shared how much she loved Seesaw and how it has made homework easier and more interactive for her kindergartener. She also mentioned how easy it is to access learning for her junior high and high school children. It's been nice for students to still be able to learn from their teachers when their teachers are on quarantine as well.

Parent concerns with technology? The only concern was asking about the learning programs we use at Mapleton

Julie talked about the fact that Alex isn't used in elementary anymore. We use iReady Math now instead. We also use iReady Reading for reading instruction.

***Technology has been a major factor in our trust lands money in the past. Which is why we discussed it at length today.

Next Meeting: Monday, January 11th at 11:30