

STaR (School Technology and Readiness) Focus Areas for Target Tech

Target Tech Objectives	Classroom Implementation	Tech4Learning Software and Online Resources	Tech4Learning Professional Development
Teaching and Learning			
<p>Patterns of Classroom Use Teacher and students use appropriate technologies as a natural and necessary way of gaining knowledge and understanding. Students have increased control of their learning. Students work with teachers, businesses, higher education, and the community to solve real-world problems.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Student-centered learning • Student-created projects using collaborative connections • Student interviews - authentic learning • Student interpretation and Student voice using creativity tools • Extended learning - mentors, experts • Global collaborations • Service learning • Interdisciplinary activities • Synchronous and asynchronous learning opportunities 	<p>Frames Pixie or Wixie Share Twist ImageBlender Pics4Learning</p>	<p>ProjectLearn Academy ProjectLearn Integration Workshops Recipes4Success</p>
<p>Content Area Connections Teacher and students focus on cross-curricular learning using developmentally appropriate instructional strategies and skills that are integrated into the collaborative work of a community.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Extended learning experiences – creating podcasts, trading cards, newsletters, etc. • Content shared via iPods, Zunes, etc. • Collaborative writing, experiments, graphics created and shared in online environment 	<p>Frames Pixie or Wixie Share Twist ImageBlender Connect Trading Post Pics4Learning</p>	<p>Project Learn Academy Project Learn Integration Workshops PL Academy & Workshop Follow-Up Recipes4Success</p>
<p>Frequency/Design of Instructional Setting Using Digital Content Teacher and students have anytime/anywhere access to technology and digital content within the campus, district, home, or community.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Teacher created web pages for instruction • Teacher created podcasts • Content delivery framework • Student created web pages • Student created podcasts 	<p>Frames Pixie or Wixie Share Twist ImageBlender Pics4Learning</p>	<p>Recipes4Success Connect Trading Post Project Learn Academy Project Learn Integration Workshops PL Academy & Workshop Follow-Up</p>

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<p>Technology Applications (TA) TEKS Implementation (TAC Chapter 126) Teacher uses a variety of technology tools to seamlessly integrate curriculum TEKS and TA TEKS in content-based learning.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Teachers and Students use critical thinking and problem solving to select the appropriate 21st century tool for productivity and creativity. Student centered learning provides a risk free environment for students to select the appropriate technology tool for their learning style and allow the opportunity for sharing with other students. 	<p>Frames Pixie or Wixie Share ImageBlender Trading Post Connect Pics4Learning</p>	<p>Project Learn Academy Project Learn Integration Workshops PL Academy & Workshop Follow-Up Recipes4Success</p>
<p>Student Mastery of Technology Applications (TA) TEKS Teacher estimates 86 to 100% of his/her students have mastered TA TEKS. The State provides instructional materials to support the teaching and evaluation of K-8 TA TEKS and 9-12 TA courses. For other 9-12 courses, teachers should evaluate TA TEKS mastery through students' use of technology to acquire information, solve problems, and communicate.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> TEKS correlations (state standards) Rubrics assessments for student projects Appropriate use of copyright and intellectual property NET•S 21st century skills ePortfolios 	<p>Online rubrics maker NET*S correlations Frames Pixie or Wixie Share Twist ImageBlender</p>	<p>Project Learn Academy Project Learn Integration Workshops PL Academy and Workshop Follow-Up Recipes4Success</p>
<p>Online Learning Teacher has integrated into curriculum TEKS-aligned online lessons that include class content such as explanations, examples, links to online resources, enrichment, and reinforcement; class is communicating and interacting online.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Teacher web pages Student-created podcasts Student-created web pages Content management 	<p>Frames Pixie or Wixie Share ImageBlender Trading Post Connect Pics4Learning</p>	<p>Project Learn Academy Project Learn Integration Workshops PL Academy and Workshop Follow Up Recipes4Success</p>

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<p>Professional Development Experiences Teacher continues to participate in professional development experiences but expands his/her influence by collaborating, mentoring.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Social networking • Teacher-to-teacher collaboration • Participate in content appropriate list serves • Maintain blog 	<p>Connect Trading Post</p>	<p>Project Learn Academy Project Learn Integration Workshops PL Academy and Workshop Follow-Up Recipes4Success Creative Educator Webinars</p>
<p>Models of Professional Development Teacher actively pursues additional professional development opportunities based on personal needs and shares within expanded learning communities.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Webinars • Social networking • Presentations at local, state and national conferences • Submit articles for publication in educational journal 	<p>Connect Trading Post Webinars Creative Educator</p>	<p>Project Learn Academy Project Learn Integration Workshops PL Academy and Workshop Follow Up Recipes4Success</p>
<p>Capabilities of Educators Teacher is proficient in all five of the SBEC Technology Applications Standards.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Connections to NETS and 21st Century skills 	<p>NET*S correlation 21st century skills correlations Connect Trading Post Creative Educator Webinars</p>	<p>Project Learn Academy Project Learn Integration Workshops Academy and Workshop Follow Up Recipes4Success</p>

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<p>Technology Professional Development Participation Teacher attends 30 or more hours of technology professional development annually.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Face-to-face delivery of professional development • Online professional development • Just-in-time online resources • Blended delivery of professional development • Conferences and Seminars 	<p>Recipes4Success Webinars</p>	<p>Recipes4Success Webinars Project Learn Academy Project Learn Integration Workshops Academy and Workshop Follow Up</p>
<p>Levels of Understanding and Patterns of Use. Teacher uses technology tools in new ways where learning becomes more collaborative, interactive, and customized. Teacher provides opportunities for students to extend their learning with project-based, individualized activities as the norm, resulting in increased student independence and sophisticated products</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 21st Century connections • Connections to NETS and TEIS (state standards) • Student-centered, project-based learning • Student and teacher communication and collaboration • Global connections • Podcasts, electronic publications, web pages, movies, animations, graphics, collaborative books, etc. • Extended learning opportunities for students 	<p>Frames Pixie or Wixie Share Twist ImageBlender Recipes4Success Online rubric maker Online citation maker Pics4Learning</p>	<p>Project Learn Academy Project Learn Integration Workshops Academy and Workshop Follow Up Recipes4Success Connect Trading Post</p>
<p>Capabilities of Educators with Online Learning Teacher has taken professional development on how to create and integrate web-based lessons using TEKS-based content, resources, and learning activities that support learning objectives; or, has taken professional development to create and teach online.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Professional Development taught in blended learning environment • Teachers experience on-line learning in a non-threatening environment providing the experience of learning in a blended environment in preparation for teaching in a blended and then online environment. 	<p>Recipes4Success Connect Trading Post</p>	<p>Project Learn Academy Project Learn Integration Workshops Academy and Workshop Follow Up</p>

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