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*Technology Integration Promotes Success

Weekly Newsletter

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The virus that hit our network last week should serve as a reminder of how important it is for teachers and staff to attach their laptops to the DCPS network daily so that they are receiving all the patches and virus updates that are being sent out by Network Operations. Also after 45 days, a computer that has not been attached to the DCPS network will have to be rejoined to the DCPS domain by a technician. Avoid this inconvenience by connecting to DCPS daily!!

School Spotlight

On a Friday afternoon, the last thing that you might expect is teachers staying after school to discuss best practices utilizing SmartBoards in their classrooms. But last Friday afternoon, that was exactly what was going on in Jake Donahue's math classroom at [First Coast High School](#). In a discussion led by Iris Lipsky, the FCHS ITC, teachers shared how they are using SmartBoards to enhance their instruction and engage students. Visit the FCHS blog at <http://www.firstcoasthightechsmart.blogspot.com> and be inspired!!



Web 2.0

Microsoft



Visit the [Microsoft in Education](#) site to find webcasts, podcasts and other valuable resources for 21st Century Learning. The site contains links to tutorials and step-by-step guides detailing how to use and integrate Microsoft software in the classroom for teachers, students, and staff. Register today and gain access to a wealth of information!!

Site of the Week

Students can make their own nature videos using the [National Geographic Wildlife Filmmaker](#). Using real video footage, authentic sounds, and background music, students can create professional looking wildlife documentaries. The Wildlife Filmmaker utilizes simple drag-and-drop technology. In a few simple clicks, students choose clips, add sound, music and captions. Once the film is complete, students are given a code allowing them to retrieve it and play it on the National Geographic site. Videos cannot be downloaded. Teachers and students would need to keep track of the codes. With very little assistance, students can become expert movie makers!!

Wildlife
Filmmaker

Make a custom nature film with animal clips, sounds, and more. Then share your masterpiece with friends.

create new film

retrieve saved film



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