

To: Board of Education

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Re: Learning Forward/Future Ready Initiative

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Background:

Schools around the world are looking to put the power of technology into student hands by providing mobile devices for every student. These initiatives seek to equip each student with the personal technology needed to learn and communicate in the 21st century.

Technology is increasing how students learn. Providing mobile devices addresses the district's goal of equity, excellence and engagement. Students today need to be technology literate. iPads and tablets play a huge role in preparing our students for college and eventually their careers. As educators, we must develop these necessary skills safely and responsibly.

The goal is to foster 21st century skills in our students by moving them from the traditional teacher-centric learning model to a student-centric approach that encourages collaboration and personal project-based learning.

Current Report:

The report to the Board of Education will focus on what a Future Ready/Learning Forward initiative would look like. We will review our learning goals and discuss personal learning/blended learning, professional development supports, communication to stakeholders, designing the environment, and a timeline for deployment. Costs associated with each device will be provided.

Enhancing every student's



school experience

Vision



Strategic Team
Action Plan
Next Steps

Communication

Staff
Students
Parents
Community
Business &
Partnerships



Environmental Design

Flexible Learning Spaces
Learning Pockets
Media Center Redesign
Wifi
Infrastructure



An effective blended environment combines the best of traditional instruction with online and digital media to deliver personalized learning. This environment is tailored for individual student strengths, needs, and interests, including student voice and choice in the path, pace, and place of learning. Personalized learning empowers students to take ownership of their educational goals (student agency) and supports them within and beyond the traditional classroom environment.

Learning Support

Vanguard Teams in each school
Learning Coaches
Student Support Teams
EdCamps
Appy Hours
Personalized PD
Learning Coaches
TOSAs



Assessment

Student achievement data
Danielson Tool
Survey Results
KU Partnership- Action
Research

