Technology Plan Cover Sheet

2016-2018 (July 1, 2015 – June 30, 2018)

Organization Information

District/Agency/School (legal name): McGregor Public Schools

District Number: 0004

Technology Plan Status

The District/Agency/School has an approved 2013-15 technology plan:

X Yes No

2016-2018 Technology Plan Date of Creation: July 7, 2014

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Instructions: Add your responses by typing into the document below.

Technology Needs Assessment. Describe the processes(s) used to determine the technology needs for the LEA for 2016-2018 and briefly summarize the needs that have been determined. Make sure to include any technology needs that will be supported through E-rate discounts, such as telephone, telecommunications access, Internet, and other E-rate eligible services:

We continue to review our telephone service needs, bandwidth needs and web hosting needs each year in conjunction with e-rate filing deadlines.

Use of technology is no longer a privilege bit an expectation. As technology continues to advance, in collaboration with MSBA, the district's attorney and our technology committee we continue to refine our technology policies to keep up with ever changing student used technology hardware and software.

As more learning tools and online resources are made available, access to labs and hand held mobile devices has become more difficult within the district. A plan for student access to mobile devices will be finalized in the 2015 school year.

As state testing vendors change and the minimum compliance requirements change for testing, we will continue to evaluate technology on hand and work to ensure that all students have adequate and equal access to hardware for all mandatory testing.

Continued staff turnover creates a need staff development in the use of technology installed in classrooms. There are few grant funds available to help fund this training so our technology committee will need to work closely with the staff development committee to ensure teachers receive essential technology training.

These needs were established through a review of current technology and its use within the district completed by the district technology team during yearly meetings.

Goals and Strategies. List the specific goals and strategies for 2016-2015 that address how your LEA will use technology to deliver education and assist with school administration:

Create a plan addressing individual classroom, teacher, grade level technology needs related to technology competencies and equipment.

Create a district wide three-year plan for technology hardware and software upgrades, replacements and maintenance.

Work with school board to create adequate funding to address technology needs.

Work with staff development committee to provide essential technology training opportunities throughout the school year.

Create opportunities for parent to learn about technology use, policies and needs within the district.

Provide a high quality technology experiences for student access. Through access to hardware and software we will enhance their total educational journey.

Professional Development Plan. Describe the professional development strategies you have in place for 2016-2018 to ensure LEA staff are prepared to use the technology infrastructure, software programs, and online resources provided:

Assess teacher needs for technology related staff development in September 2015.

Continue to create staff development opportunities on a monthly basis coordinated with non-technology related staff development.

Evaluate staff development outcomes from participant evaluations and student achievement.

Evaluation. Explain the evaluation process for your technology plan for 2016-2018, including timeline, roles and responsibilities, and information gathered to assess how the technology plan goals and strategies are being met:

The district technology team will review the technology plan and progress being made toward achievement of goals annually. Student MCA results will be used to measure student achievement. Strategies will be updated /modified to increase the success of students. A written evaluation will be included in the tech team minutes and will be presented to the district school board at the end of each school year.

Optional Links. Provide links to district strategic planning documents, survey instruments, policies, or other resources that were used to provide data and help prepare the technology plan:

http://www.mcgregor.k12.mn.us/internetSafety.php

Link to Current Technology Plan. Provide the link on the LEA website where the technology plan will be posted and updated throughout the planning period:

http://www.mcgregor.k12.mn.us/documents/DistrictTechnologyPlan.pdf

Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA)
This LEA has an Internet Safety/Acceptable Use Policy in place.
X Yes No
If yes, please provide a link to access the policy at the LEA website:
http://www.mcgregor.k12.mn.us/documents/DistrictTechnologyPlan.pdf
Appendix A – pages 18 - 29
This school district deploys an Internet filter to protect minors from material that is pornographic or otherwise harmful to them.
X Yes No
Submit the cover sheet and template in PDF or Word (not a scan) by e-mail to: mde.schooltechplan@state.mn.us.