

## **5,300 Fraser Students to Have iPad Access by January 2013**

**Fraser Public Schools is boosting the role of technology in its curriculum by giving every enrolled student an iPad.**

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By January 2013, every student enrolled in Fraser Public Schools will have access to an iPad.

Using funding from a bond issue passed in Fraser in 2011, the district purchased 5,300 iPads to support its newly implemented 21st century literacy course.



Integrating technology like the iPad and its various apps into the curriculum of each grade level, Dr. David Richards, Fraser Public Schools superintendent, said "teachers will be able to customize each child's educational plan to better meet the student's learning needs in each content area."

So when will students have this technology at their fingertips? The district has created a tentative timeline to give students and parents an idea of when these new curriculum tools will be rolled out across all grade levels.

September: All-Grade Training

21st Century Literacy teacher will support teachers and administrators with preparing for student rollout of iPads and integrating new teacher Macbook and iPads into all classrooms.

DK – 6th Grade: 21st Century Literacy teacher will have class sets of iPads for training and instruction of students during the 40 minute class period once a week.

7th – 12th Grade: 21st Century Literacy teacher will have class sets of iPads for training and instruction of students during silent reading, seminar, and in the media center.

Parent meetings will be held at individual buildings hosted by principals and 21st Century Literacy teachers.

#### October: DK-2 Rollout

Classroom iPad deployment for grades DK-2. Each classroom will receive a set of iPads in their classrooms for use during the school day. Application deployment will occur with each teacher having a Sync Tray in their classroom and the ability to directly add applications to their classroom iPad set.

#### October-November: 3-6 Rollout

iPad deployment for grades 3-6 will occur in each building's 21st Century Literacy classes. Application deployment will occur in the media center by grade level at specific times during the school year.

Parent meetings will be held by individual buildings hosted by principals and 21st Century Literacy teachers.

#### November-December: 7-8 Rollout

iPad deployment to grades 7-8 during silent reading with the 21st Century Literacy teacher. Application deployment will occur by individual student.

Parent information packets and parent meetings will be scheduled at Richards Middle School.

#### January-February: 9-12 Rollout

iPad deployment by grade level during Seminar with the 21st Century Literacy teacher. Application deployment will occur by individual student.

Parent information packets and parent meetings will be scheduled at the high school.

Parents with children in grades 3-12 can opt to have their child take their iPad home. If they choose to opt out, iPads will be available in the media center for daily checkout for in-school use.

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