

New Computers on the Way!

Technology will play an ever-increasing role in the Ypsilanti Public Schools. As a result of the community's generous support of the "Update to Educate" bond proposal, students and teachers throughout the district will be receiving new computers. This district wide upgrade will begin in the fall of 2008, and will be complete by the spring of 2010. Teachers are also scheduled to receive multiple in-service training sessions during the upcoming school year to help them learn to use the new equipment, as well as integrate the new technologies into their teaching. This will provide a more dynamic, engaging experience for our students, and more resources for our teachers to use as they continue to strive to improve student achievement.

Whiteboards and more!

In addition to new computers, YPS students will also notice many other technological updates and additions to their classrooms. Classrooms will be receiving updated sound amplification systems, interactive whiteboards, ceiling mounted projectors, hand held response devices, and other assorted items, giving our teachers access to modern and research proven tools to use in their lessons. Installation of these items will also begin in the fall of 2008 and continue through the next two school years.

PowerSchool makes the school to home connection!

Technology will also reach into the homes of YPS families, as the district introduces PowerSchool as our new student information system. Along with families in all the other Washtenaw county school districts, our parents and students will be able to log in to PowerSchool from any computer with Internet access and check grades, assignments and attendance information. Logins and passwords will be distributed in the fall of 2008 to all students and parents in the YPS district.