

Technology Use in the Middle School Special Education Classroom

Thank you for taking the time to fill out this survey. I am conducting this research as part of a project for a research class that I am taking at University of West Georgia. I am also a special education instructor in Cobb County and look forward to your responses. The information I collect will provide a clearer picture of extent and types of technology tools that are being effectively used in the middle school special education classroom. I will be posting my final results when tabulated on a wiki page at the following address: <http://cbailey-medt8484.wikispaces.com>

Please feel free to drop by later and review this very important data.

Thanks again,
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What grade level do you teach? *

- 6th grade
- 7th grade
- 8th grade
- Other:

What subject area do you teach? *

- Language Arts
- Mathematics
- Social Studies
- Science
- Other:

Do you use a LCD projector for instruction? *

- Yes, most every day
- Yes, most every week
- Yes, once a month
- Rarely or never

Do you utilize a "smart board" for instruction? *

- Yes, most every day
- Yes, most every week
- Yes, once a month
- Rarely or never

Describe your preferred methods of communicating with the parents of your students. (i.e. email, webpage, paper letters home, phone, etc.). Feel free to elaborate. *

Do you have students complete assignments using Power Point? *

- Yes, often in most every unit of instruction
- Yes, several times a year
- Occasionally
- Rarely or never

Do you have students complete assignments using Microsoft Word or Publisher? *

- Yes, often in most every unit of instruction
- Yes, several times a year
- Occasionally
- Rarely or never

Choose from the list below any internet tools that you have used in the last 2 years as part of your students' instructions. *

- Webpages from the internet
- Webpages you have created
- Webpages created by your students
- Wiki pages you have created
- Wiki pages created by your students
- Facebook or other social websites
- Blogs created by you
- Other:

Please provide the name of any "out of the box" software packages (software that is installed on school computers that provides instruction without accessing the internet) that you have utilized with your students in the last two years. Type "none" otherwise. *

Please provide the names of any websites that you have directly utilized for instruction in the last two years. You can either paste the URL address of the site here, or you can briefly provide its name. Type "none" otherwise. *

Do you feel that your students would benefit from more exposure to technology and internet based learning in your classroom? *

Yes

No

Maybe

Other:

Check all the boxes below that apply to computer use in your classroom. *

My students use computers daily

My students only use computers when we have access to the computer labs

My students often don't have access to computers at home

My students are very computer savvy and are active on computers away from school

I would like more computers in my classroom

My technology needs are adequate at this time

Please consider this question carefully. Are there any other teaching tools such as software, hardware, or internet applications that you have found helpful for your students in the last 2 years? Feel free to mention anything that comes to mind even if you have only used it once. Type "none" otherwise. *

What do you consider to be the biggest obstacles to incorporating more technology based tools in your classroom? Check as many responses below that apply. *

- Lack of funding
- Student inability to comprehend
- Administration's hesitancy
- My lack of training on new technologies
- Technology will not benefit what I teach
- No time to incorporate in current curriculum
- Other:

Are there new technology based tools (hardware or software) coming to your school or classroom that you have heard about but aren't using yet. Please describe below. Type "none" otherwise. *

Chose the response below that best describe you and technology. *

- Technology and me don't get along very well, I find it too confusing
- I have found some success with incorporating technology but it is a slow and time consuming process
- I like to use technology and am pretty good at it but other factors prevent me from utilizing it more
- My use of technology in the classroom seems to be just right at this time
- Other:

Feel free to remain anonymous. If you like however, please leave me your email address below. I may wish to talk with you further about this topic. I would like to express my sincere thanks for your time spent filling out this survey. Carlene Bailey

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