GETTING THE MOST OUT OF TECHNOLOGY



As a professional you are in education because you have a vocation. You have the commitment and drive to succeed, and keeping your school successful requires all of your attention. However, you didn't go into education to be an expert in emerging technologies. Managing technology can be a real distraction and pull energies away from running your school. In addition, you may not have the time or deep experience to be aware of new technology that might transform your productivity or lead to better ways of educating and assessing students. Only large schools can afford the in-house staff to both support present needs and also hire development staff to discover technology solutions that will advance your mission.

To get around this problem, you might consider using the services of a managed service provider to supplement your own lack of familiarity with developing technology. Managed service providers don't just "fix broken things." Instead, a MSP will come on site and do a complete review of your technology infrastructure, work with you to gain a thorough understanding of your school and your strategic goals. Armed with this, they can provide a technology plan that will be customized to your needs and the expectations.

In summary, consider the outsourcing model to refine your use of technology.