

Technology Times

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Did you know? As a student of CUSD, you have 5 FREE downloads of the desktop version of MS Office which includes Word, PowerPoint, Excel and Publisher? For more information on how to download Office to your devices visit:

[How to Download Office 365 for CUSD](#)



Be on the lookout for information for our new Robotics Club next year. Our VEX IQ Robots have already been purchased and the club will be starting in late August or early September!



What's a good app for my kid? Ever wonder if the app your child is on is a good one? You can visit common sense media for a list of expert reviewed apps to help put your mind at ease! Click below to check it out:

[Common Sense Media- app reviews](#)

Questions?

Please contact Mrs. Gerson at Gerson.Brenda@cusd80.com

Dear Parents,

Greetings from Technology Lab! We had a fabulous 2nd semester becoming 21st Century Learners by learning computer applications such as Word, PowerPoint and Excel. We explored the collaborative features of each of these programs and learned the difference of saving to the hard drive vs saving to the "cloud".

We also focused A LOT this semester on our coding and programming skills using Code.Org and Code Monkey. Even our kinders had a chance to program using block based coding in Code.Org.

Keyboarding is Key!

Please encourage your students to practice keyboarding skills at home. We practice in the computer lab, but once every six days is not near enough to become fluent keyboarders. Students can log in to Clever (our Single Sign-on Service) and access our keyboarding platforms-Typing Club for grades 2nd and 3rd and Adaptive Keyboarding in Learning.com for grades 4th-6th. [Click here](#) for the Clever sign in page. Or navigate to cusd80.com/newhome, click on student links to find the Clever link. Username should be in the following format: s+studentID@cusd80.com Passwords are the same as their computer log in at school. Our littles (k and 1st) can practice their keyboarding skills by visiting TypeTastic.com.

WHAT DID WE LEARN 2nd SEMESTER?

K-1st

- Keyboarding-finding letters on the Keyboard
- Shift Key to make symbols and capital letters
- Basic coding skills using Code.Org

2nd-3rd

- Keyboarding skills-touch typing
- Computer Applications-PowerPoint
- Basic-Intermediate Coding Skills using Code.Org and CodeMonkey

4th-6th

- Keyboarding skills-touch typing
- Computer Applications-PowerPoint and Excel
- Intermediate Coding Skills using Code.Org and CodeMonkey.
- 6th grade-Basic 3D design using TinkerCad & 3D Printing