



# *Students Come First*

*A plan to educate more students at a higher level with limited resources.*

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# We Are Making Progress

- Example one: E-mail from Idaho student

*“The principal at my school prohibits any laptop in school whether it is a personal computer or even the laptops purchased specifically for students’ online education. ... There are not enough functioning computers in the school for the students. Teachers have to rotate days that students can get on the school computers, and this slows down the teaching process for them, as well as the learning process for students. I feel that we have gone back about 5-10 years in technology, and I do not feel that we as students are given a voice in this process.”*

- Students Come First and the work of the Technology Task Force will change that.



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- Example two: Idaho Falls Post Register article
- *“Teachers in Idaho Falls School District 91 will begin putting more technology in their classrooms next month -- up to \$5,000 at a time. ... For some teachers, Thursday was the first they'd heard of the funding opportunities. Barby Carroll, a sixth-grade teacher at Temple View Elementary School, said she hadn't known she could apply for a grant until arriving at the training. Carroll also said she hadn't realized some of what she could do with technology she already had, like her personal iPod. ... “I want to tape kids reading and have them listen to it,” she said. “I didn't think of it. I have an iPod and I just didn't think of it. I have more ideas to mull over now.”*
- The Technology Task Force is helping to successfully implement this technology in every classroom. Teachers are getting excited about the possibilities.



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# How Is It All Connected?



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# Next Steps: Site Visits

- Upcoming site visits for Task Force members:
  - Auburn, Alabama on October 18<sup>th</sup>
  - Freeport, Maine on October 25<sup>th</sup>
  - Crescent, Oklahoma on November 3<sup>rd</sup>
  - Klein and Keller, Texas – dates to be announced



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