

Goals

Past Goals in the Area of Technology

The administration and faculty of Saint Elizabeth Regional School are proud to have accomplished the goals set forth in our action plan:

1. upgrade the computer lab with the necessary equipment to provide Internet access
2. purchase new computers for the computer lab
3. maintain an inventory assessment of hardware and software in order to continue integrating technology within curriculum areas.

Goal One – The computer lab has been renovated. The blackboards were removed, walls were painted, new blinds were hung, and the lab was rewired to accommodate the installation of new Dell computers with Internet access. A DLP and video presenter were purchased and installed for use by the computer instructor and classroom teachers to enhance curriculum instruction. As a result, this enables the computer lab to be utilized throughout the day. The music room, library, cafeteria office, and each classroom have Internet access.

Goal Two – To develop higher-level thinking skills throughout the curriculum areas using active multi-sensory teaching techniques.

We have implemented the use of an individual student-writing portfolio at each grade level that hold samples of students' writings. Students use journals for their creative writing. Mathematics instruction includes folders that showcase each student's problem solving techniques. Frequent use of manipulatives was planned in conjunction with the mathematics series. To enhance learning, a second interactive whiteboard was acquired for use in the primary grades. To advance the academic excellence of Saint Elizabeth Regional School, teachers attended workshops and visited area schools for peer sharing of instructional methods.

Future Long Range Goals

Goal One – A plan to continue the efforts to improve the technology program which would include the following critical events:

1. To enhance our curriculum through the use of our new classroom televisions and DVD players.
2. To increase computer instructor hours for both maintenance and instruction.
3. To maximize the use of our new computer lab, the classroom teachers will continue to plan and to effectively use open lab time for innovative and creative lessons.
4. To seek ways to fund new computers for each classroom equipped with CD/DVD burners, maximum memory, and compatible printers.

Goal Two – To implement a holistic wellness program that will focus on the students' spiritual, physical, nutritional, and social wellness.

Our religion program will help strengthen our students by infusing the Christian message throughout our educational program creating a caring environment in a religious atmosphere. The faculty will strive to enrich their own personal faith development. Our curriculum will continue to combine prayer, service projects, liturgical experiences, and the Church's social teachings of the poor and marginalized in an effort to educate our students to be viable Christians and conscientious citizens.

Our "Second Step Program", offers techniques for awareness of acceptable behavior. These techniques will help students foster positive growth in social skills. Students will be trained in social and emotional skill building, empathy training, impulse control, problem solving and anger management.

A "Wellness Policy" will be designed to facilitate the growth of healthy eating choices and behaviors that will help develop the knowledge and skills for daily physical activities. Students will learn the benefits of maintaining physical fitness and will understand the benefits of a healthy life style.