



# This Week in MIS & Technology



When school starts, technology may not be the primary focus; but it doesn't take long for the needs to come forward quickly. There is everything from needing a password changed to "where's my computer". It's a busy time for us, and we ask for patience from you as we work to fulfill everyone's request. Every year the wait time gets better, and I hope you notice that this year as we move forward. While there's a bump in the road now and then, we work hard to pave the road and have your needs addressed faster than ever. Eric Mitchell

## Data Analysis

We are working on Student Learning Objects (SLO) for the 2014 teacher evaluation performance scores. We are also working on the 2012-2014 IB data analysis.

## Seat Management

It is business as usual for this time of year with connecting computers, installing printers, setting up projectors, setting up document cameras, setting up Mimio, and installing student software/creating shortcuts. We are also delivering and setting up new hire computers. We gave bring your own device (BYOD) training to all OCSD math teachers on three different nights at the central training room. We conducted another round of new teacher and new hire training.

## MIS

This week we continued to assist schools with scheduling. If you need assistance with your schedules, please call.

With the Algebra I Fall administration coming up in a few weeks, please make sure that your school is prepared to proctor and administer the test. Test security is extremely important and can affect student results.

Data corrections for Surveys 4 and 5 have been submitted. We have submitted the initial data file for Survey 8. This data is used to roster students in the progressing monitoring and reporting network (PMRN).

## Mobile Learning

Mobile Learning is working frantically to catch up on the requests for iPad refreshes and new deployments for the new school year. Please be patient with us as the Apple iTunes servers have currently been down for 72 hours.

## Data Processing

This week we are still working with schools to ensure that transferring teachers and students have access to the software they need. It is proving formidable yet worthwhile. Apart from the files "pulled and pushed", we have also been processing record requests and agreements, PAWS users access needs, and aiding in the transition to the use of single sign-on by schools who will soon administer progress monitoring assessments through the PMRN. The "house-cleaning" side of data is one many of us would shy away from; however, once "clean", we find ourselves producing better, more accurate information which aids us all in the high-stakes work we do on behalf of the district. As we improve processes such as record protection requests, file transfers, and more, we work with this concept at the forefront of our efforts.

Information Systems, Data Processing, Programming Services, and Operations work diligently to ensure that data, labels, records, schedules, and more are what you need when you need it. If we can be of service, just let us know.