



## PROMETHIAN BOARDS TO BE IN- STALLED IN ALL SCHOOLS:

- Starting December 13th Brush Schools will have the use of some engaging 21st century tools to enhance the classroom use of technology.



- Check into this exciting new technology as they are installed in each building.



## New Internet Content Filter Installed

In a continuous effort to improve our ability to use technology we've elected to change our Internet content filter. The new unit handles content blocking in a more sophisticated manner and is smart enough to block portions of some Internet sites while at the same time allowing users to view benign content on certain websites.

The new filter gives us the ability to open more content to teachers and staff and close certain content for students by the system recognizing the user who is logged into the network.

## Professional Development Lab Comes Online

The new 36 seat District Professional Development lab was completed on the 10th of December. Reservations to use this lab are already underway. See your school office to reserve the lab as needed.

- The first major training effort will be held on the 3rd of January. The Educational Technology—Information Literacy (ET-IL) course will be offered that day to all Certified staff.

## District Receives 4 Bids to Build New Network

FOUR COMPANIES HAVE BID TO CREATE THE NEW 1GBIT FIBER NETWORK THAT WOULD CONNECT ALL OF THE DISTRICT BUILDINGS TO A NEW HIGH SPEED INTERCONNECTION. IF ALL GOES AS PLANNED THIS NEW ARCHITECTURE COULD BE READY BY THE BEGINNING OF THE 2011/2012 SCHOOL YEAR. WE ARE IN THE PROCESS OF REVIEW AND SELECTION AT THIS TIME.

THIS NEW ARCHITECTURE PROVIDES THE ABILITY TO MOVE DATA AT FAR MORE RAPID SPEEDS BETWEEN BUILDINGS. IT ALLOWS TECHNOLOGY TO CENTRALIZE ALL SERVERS AND SHARED EQUIPMENT. IT PROVIDES THE SPRING BOARD OR FOUNDATION TO CONTINUE TO BRING IN NEW AND IMPROVED 21ST CENTURY TECHNOLOGICAL ABILITIES.



## Lab Replacement at BHS

- A new thin client lab will be installed the week of December 13th at Brush High School. The aged and rapidly dying PCs in the lab within room 134 will be removed and a new and fast thin-client architecture will replace them.
- A non-networked lab will also be installed in the old Technology Office room 111. This will be a lab that has PCs for student use to prepare or work on homework or other assignments but will not be connected to the Internet.

Merry Christmas!

Have a GREAT Break!!!!

From the Technology Department.

Happy New Year!



*“Our primary goal is to continuously enhance the 21st century classroom experience through working to upgrade technology.”*

**Brush Technology Department**