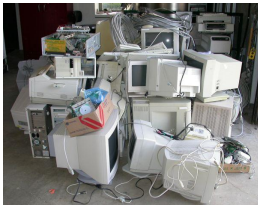




**15 Very Full Pallets of Old Technology Left the District to be Recycled in Summer of 2010.**



Obsolescence Plan will be tuned and we will continue to de-commission older systems and make sound plans for new technology and future growth and create standards for the district.

**Flash Drives Allowed at All Schools.**

**BHS will Sell Flash Drives to**



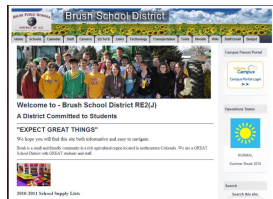
**Students who do not currently have one. These will be sold at the Nominal Price of \$8.00 a Unit.**



**Working Hard to Move Forward**

**BRINGING IN THE NEW SCHOOL YEAR WITH NEW TECHNOLOGY.  
WHAT'S NEW?**

- New District website



The new website features a more modern look and offers new functionality and greater ease of management. Website backed up each day in a hosted environment.

- Thomson, Beaver Valley and BMS all fitted with new powerful servers.



- 125 new desktop machines to be rolled out to all teachers and administrators in these schools starting in August.



- BHS student labs take on a new look and are configured with software that will alleviate issues with intentional or unintentional student damage.
- NWEA testing consolidated all files onto one server. This alleviates many issues that have

been involved in a complex setup.

- Thomson prepares to get a computer lab. A new state or the art Thin Client computer lab is in



the process of installation at Thomson. No longer will students need to be bussed to other schools to take tests or work in a lab environment. This model is a pilot for potential other school lab upgrades.

- New Domain controllers established in Thomson and BMS.
- BHS teachers to use copier in Teacher Lounge to reduce printing costs. This printing model will be in effect for BPS, BV, and BMS upon the installation of the new



teacher computers. Cost difference will be noticeable.

- Computer incident trouble reports move from pen and paper to online submission. More information will be rolled out soon to all staff regarding

how problems with technology are to be reported.

- BHS Teaching lab upgraded to use Creative Suite 5.
- A new server for Brush High School the Teaching Lab has been placed in service.
- District moves from One Call Parent Notification system to the a new fully integrated Infinite Campus software package called: ShoutPoint.
- Wiki and Moodle server re-deployed and these applications have now been placed in a hosted environment and backed up each day.
- The SPED staff in each school will have new tools that include: a laptop, a portable DVD viewer, encrypted flash drives, printers, DVD burners to assist in their educational facilitation.
- The Technology Department has done much in the way of creating a standardized environment that will assist in propelling the district forward. These items have been removed: Novell at BHS, old DNS servers, outdated application servers, many network security weaknesses.
- etc.—ask the Tech Staff for more details.

## SCHOOL DUDE ITDIRECT COMING 2010-2011

ITDirect is a powerful, online technology incident and help desk management tool that streamlines the entire technology workflow process, from incident request to resolution.

ITDirect will assist us in improving productivity and efficiency and reduce incident requests by 20% through request troubleshooting and a self-help knowledge base.

ITDirect's provides tracking and reporting capabilities,

our district can make smarter, data-driven decisions related to IT support staffing levels and technology training needs – it keeps requesters and technicians accountable for and informed about request status and helps IT teams get credit for all the work they do.

Look for the launch of this tool at the beginning of the 2010-2011 school year.



## IN-BUILDING TECH REPRESENTATIVE TO HAVE GREATER ROLE IN 2010-2011

We are working to provide you a greater degree of support through empowerment of your stipend in-school Tech Rep.

They will have greater access to perform minor troubleshooting and enhanced ability to correct minor technology issues within your building.

All non-emergency in school technology issues should be first reported to your in-school Tech Rep. They will determine if they are able to resolve the issue without further assistance or whether to escalate the issue to the Technology Department staff.

Please expect more details

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

*Brush Technology  
Department*

The Tech Department would like to thank the efforts of our Summer Intern—Dylan Cooper. Dylan is a high school student we hired for part of the break—and we kept him busy.

Thanks Dylan!



WELCOME BACK  
TEACHERS AND STAFF !!!  
WE HOPE YOU HAVE HAD  
A GREAT BREAK.