Strategies and Ideas to Promote Digital Wellness

Easy calendar events

Host some school wide events to promote healthy digital habits

- 1. Theme Days Calendar
- 2. Device free day and other that can be building-wide/Phone Free Friday at Lunch
- 3. Positive Post day/week- take the day to only post positive things on social media or handwritten notes
- 4. Kindness Week
- 5. Theme day examples
- 6. Heads up or Look Up (make eye contact with others)

Student survey samples

Host a survey to understand your students digital use and needs better

- 1. Speak-Up Survey Questions (https://tomorrow.org/speakup/)
- 2. Survey (Digital Wellbeing)

Digital Wellness Walk-thru

Look for signs of digital wellness or needs during a walk through of your building

Student groups- Discussions, topics or assemblies

- 1. ES
- 2. MS
- 3. HS
- 4. <u>Digital Civics Toolkit</u>

Positive uses of technology in classrooms (staff meeting tech tips) (Liz)

- 1. Here is a <u>Drawing</u> I have created for staff meeting tech tips. Feel free to leave comments/feedback.
- 2. More information about positive uses of technology in the classrooms
 - a. 9 Unique Ways to Use Technology in the Classroom
 - b. 20 Classroom Technology Tools You Might Not Know
 - c. 7 smart ways to use technology in classrooms
 - d. 10 Ways to Use Technology in the Classroom

e. <u>25 Easy Ways to Use Technology in the Classroom [+ Downloadable List]</u>

Readings, Blogs and Journal Articles - some great reading opportunities you could share with staff, families or the community

- Social Media, Loneliness, and Anxiety in Young People
- What The Screen Time Experts Do With Their Own Kids
- <u>Teach Students To Use Social Media (The Right Way) And The Possibilities Are</u>
 Endless
- 13 Online Challenges Your Kid Already Knows About
- How to Break Up With Your Phone
- 5 Social Media Musts for Teens
- A Day in Teens' Digital Lives
- Flipd Digital Wellness Blog multiple articles written by teachers on digital wellness
- Being 13 Teens use of social media
- CNN Video Inside the Secret World of Teens
- Have Smartphones Destroyed a Generation? Atlantic Article by iGeneration Researcher
- Depression and Mental Health and Screentime by Jean Twenge
- Does Social Media Lead to Social Connection or Disconnection? by Jean Twenge
- Stanford Studies on Media Bias and Student Perspectives
- National Survey with statistics on Parenting in the Digital Age
- Putting the A in Educational Apps

Website Resources

- KQED Education Resources on Timely Topics with Videos/Blog Link
 - o A hub for educators and students from Northern CA public media station
- The Daily Discipline
 - o Brian Kight's blog with a daily email delivered on topics in leadership and culture
- Google Well-being
 - Google provides tools, tips to get started, and resources for families
- TeachThought
 - Why worrying out screen time may be the wrong approach
 - o How to Play Outside: 50 Things for Digital Kids To Do
 - 15 Common Mistakes Teachers Do with Technology
- Common Sense Advocacy Campaign
 - Resources to take action in digital equity, transparency, policy and privacy

- Digital Civics Toolkit
 Resources based on MacArthur's Foundation supporting civic action around digital life