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TECHNOLOGY ENRICHED LEARNING

As part of the Lambton Kent District School Board Technology Enriched Learning Plan (TELP), all Grade 7 students will be provided with iPads beginning in September 2015. To facilitate a smooth transition for staff and students, the LKDSB Learning Coaches for Innovation, Jennifer Gilpin and Sharon Drummond, have been leading hands-on professional learning opportunities for teachers throughout Lambton Kent District School Board. The focus of this professional development is on enhancing the instructional, assessment and evaluation strategies of educators through the support of technology.

Throughout this year, Jen and Sharon have facilitated sessions during the school day as well as after school. The after-school sessions have developed into a series titled, "Teachers Teaching Teachers" which feature many of our talented LKDSB teachers facilitating the learning of their colleagues. To date, over 300 teachers have taken part in these sessions.

They have also been working with Full Day Kindergarten Teachers and Early Childhood Educators on documenting student learning using the iPad. Since September 2012, these educators have been using their devices to capture student learning through photos, videos, and anecdotal notes. Educators meet in small groups to learn about pedagogical documentation and share their examples with others. All FDK educators are now involved in this project, and sessions have continued throughout this school year.

Jen and Sharon are certified Apple Foundation Trainers, the first in Canada! They have been instructed by Apple in how to train others using Apple technology. They are certified to train others to become Apple Vanguard Members.

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