

The Squeeze: Fresh Ideas

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CALL FOR PRESENTERS!

We are looking for presenters! Our district hosts so many innovative ideas and implementations in classrooms and we'd love for you to share. Please consider submitting a presentation for this year's Tech to the Future event! Presentations can be submitted through the Tech to the Future website by Friday, October 15th.

TECH TO THE FUTURE

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Science



LEGOs and the Power of Student Engagement

As many of us have heard, LEGO Education was an integral and highly successful aspect of this year's Summer School STEM Curriculum at Elementary sites. As a district, we are looking to capitalize both on the existing LEGO materials that are now at sites as well as the increase in student engagement from hands-on learning experiences.

The Office of Curriculum & Instruction is currently working with LEGO Education to create integrated lessons from our Amplify Science Curriculum. These lessons will be designed to be optional extensions of the Amplify Curriculum giving students hands-on learning experiences to deepen their engagement and depth of understanding.

Each site also has a LEGO Lead Teacher whose role is to support other teachers at your site with the logistics of the LEGO platforms, pedagogy of learning with LEGO and simply supporting teachers to be comfortable delivering these lessons.

We are so excited for this integration for all learners!



The Squeeze: Fresh Ideas Podcast!

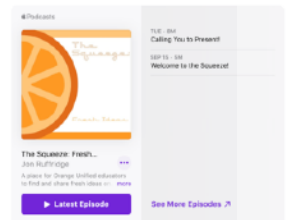
We are excited to announce that "The Squeeze: Fresh Ideas" Newsletter now has an accompanying podcast! In brief and fun fashion, we are happy to provide another avenue where we can introduce those Fresh Ideas, discuss important topics, and even introduce you to many of the faces around the district.

The new podcast can be heard directly through the Teacher Resources site and also subscribed to through the Podcasts app.



[Teacher Resources Site](#)

[Podcast Link](#)



EdTech



Digital Citizenship

October 18- 22 is Digital Citizenship week. Continue conversations about appropriate actions online, taking care of equipment, and building a positive online community. Completing the district Digital Citizenship Lessons can also earn your school site recognition.



DETAILS ONLINE AT ORANGEUSD.ORG / TECHFEST

Learn more at the [Educational Technology Digital Citizenship site](#).

Handbook



Have questions about 1:1 devices with students? Looking for information about optional insurance for parents? Many questions about OrangeUSD's 1:1 program can be found in the Handbook:

[OrangeUSD 1:1 Handbook](#)

Eduprotocols



Looking for ways to work less and teach more? Check out Edu Protocols. A simple protocol like the Fast and Curious can help increase repetition of information for your students while providing immediate feedback with little to no extra work from the teacher using tools already in place. Learn more at [Eduprotocols Website](#) or read the book on [Sora/Overdrive](#).

Math



SOCIAL-EMOTIONAL LEARNING (SEL)

If you are looking for ready made lessons in SEL then check out the district provided lessons in Nearpod. Also check with your school site counselor who has put together a year long plan (currently elementary) with the lessons to support your students. If you are looking for immediate information you can use the following links for Scope and Sequence and Implementation of the SEL Lessons.

- [SEL - Scope and Sequence](#)
- [SEL - Implementation Guide](#)

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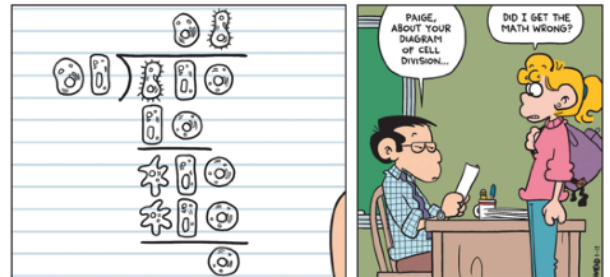
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The My Savvas Training Workplace has many highly interactive asynchronous courses that are delivered in bite-sized, focused learning bursts. Learn about your program at your own pace, mine content you choose, and revisit topics at any time.

See the [Quick Reference Guide](#) to learn more!

Looking for more ideas and activities?

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"First, think. Second, believe. Third, dream. And finally, dare" -Walt Disney