March 16, 2011
M-State Fergus Falls Campus
8:00 a.m. to 3:45 p.m.

Featuring Keynote Speakers:
Detective Mike Detloff, Moorhead Police Department
Kevin Honeycutt, Technology Integration Specialist,
Kansas ESSDACK

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LCSC Technology Conference breakout sessions are driven by user input and feedback from a survey sent out to our members. We value your feedback on each of the sessions at this conference and urge you to complete the conference survey sent to you after the conference.
WELCOME ~ ~

We are excited to bring you the details of our 2011 Technology Conference in this planning guide. We know your time is valuable and we’ve worked hard to bring you a varied and information-packed conference, and a little fun to go with it!

We are excited to have an excellent speaker on the very timely topic of cyber safety. Mike Detloff has years of experience and many instructive stories. Kevin Honeycutt will be back with lots of new content. Kevin has become a nationally known speaker and we are pleased to be able to bring his incredibly positive educational message to our region.

There are a wide variety of breakout sessions bringing you hands-on and practical information. From iPads to podcasting/vodcasting to social networking to data mining tools, there is a wealth of useful information from knowledgeable presenters. Use this guide to get the most out of your day. You'll also find a variety of technology vendors showing both time-tested and new technology.

We look forward to seeing you!

RATES & REGISTRATION INFORMATION ~ ~

The fee to attend the 2011 LCSC Technology Conference is:

$75.00 per person (includes meals) - Deadline is March 11, 2011

Register online at: www.lcsc.org

For more information, call LCSC at 800-739-3273

LUNCH WILL BE SERVED DURING THE CONFERENCE

LCSC Cancellation Policy: Cancellations received before the registration deadline will receive a full refund. No refunds will be made for cancellations received after the deadline. LCSC reserves the right to cancel due to inclement weather, or low registration.

NOTES ~ ~

The doors will open at 8:00 a.m. for registration and vendor visits. If you arrive prior to 8:00 a.m. please wait in the seating area of Legacy Hall to allow vendors and LCSC staff to put the finishing touches on setting up for the day.

A vendor exhibit will be set up inside Legacy Hall and a variety of demos will be presented throughout the day at these stations, in an informal format. Be sure to visit the vendors and see the great products they offer.

Your conference packet will have your personal schedule for the day. These are the sessions that you signed up for when registering. To help make the day go as smoothly as possible, please follow your schedule. If at any time you need assistance, LCSC staff will be identified by their name tag. Feel free to ask questions at any time.

For easiest parking at the conference, attendees are asked to park in the main parking lot in front of the Legacy Hall entrance. Directional signs will be placed throughout the building to help guide you to your specific sessions. Conference maps will be provided in your conference packet.
**M State - Fergus Falls**

**1414 College Way**

**Fergus Falls, MN 56537**

**Directions to Campus**

M State - Fergus Falls Campus is located near the west edge of Fergus Falls, Minnesota, just a few blocks from I-94 at Exit 54, at 1414 College Way.

**From Exit 54**

Turn east on Lincoln Avenue. Continue east and turn northwest from Lincoln to College Way (the 4th stoplight - by Sunmart, not Target). Continue on College Way and turn right at the south entrance of campus.

**From State Highway 210 East**

Turn right at Pebble Lake Road and continue as it becomes Vernon Avenue. Turn right from Vernon to Union Avenue. Continue on Union to Lincoln Avenue. Turn left from Union to Lincoln. Continue on Lincoln Avenue and turn right from Lincoln to College Way. Continue on College Way and turn right into the south entrance of campus.

**From State Highway 59 North**

Turn east on County Road 88. Turn right from County Road 88 (Fir Avenue) to Tower Road. Continue and turn left from Tower Road to Spartan Drive. Spartan Drive leads into the north entrance.
Mike Detloff has a Bachelor’s of Science degree in Criminal Justice from Minnesota State University Moorhead. He has worked with the Moorhead Police Department since October of 1995. During that time he has done everything from training new officers, being a K-9 handler for 6 years, 10 years as a crisis negotiator with the Red River Valley SWAT Team, 3 years as a general investigator specializing in computer crimes. He has over 1,000 hours in specialized training dealing with computer crimes. He has given internet safety and cyber-bullying presentations to over 10,000 people since 2005. His presentation will challenge each member to think outside the box when dealing with children and re-emphasize how important just one person can be in changing that child’s life in a positive way.

**CYBERSAFETY**

Mike Detloff’s keynote will address the bombardment of information that our teens are dealing with in today’s society. He will challenge those in attendance to provide a positive outlook for students to counter balance all the negative.

Mike will also challenge professionals thinking they are too busy to help students: *Do not put things off until tomorrow, because for some people, tomorrow will never come.*

This presentation will tug at your emotions; make you cry, make you laugh, but most of all, leave you feeling energized at what the power of one person can do for a student. It is packed with real life stories and powerful videos to get your attention, and make you want to be a part of the solution, in today’s issue of Cyber Safety.

**CLOSING KEYNOTE PRESENTATION ~ ~**

Kevin Honeycutt is currently serving his eighth year as a Technology Integration Specialist at Kansas ESSDACK, an educational service center based in Hutchinson, Kansas. At ESSDACK he researches and develops programs with a strong passion for making teachers and learners comfortable with technology. Kevin feels that one of his most important roles is to help vision what the future holds for learners and to help move them in new directions. During his classroom tenure, he developed project-based approaches to learning that infused technology and problem solving skills. He created a film program for kids and developed it into a fully-functioning curriculum at the high school level.

**TRENDS, TOOLS AND TACTICS FOR 21st CENTURY LEARNING**

This keynote is a fun look at the exciting things that happen when educators step outside their boxes and try new tools. It reinforces the importance of relationships while encouraging teachers to become learners again through positive examples of student success.
SESSION 101, 201, 301: Creativity is Essential ~ Kevin Honeycutt
This session is an exploration of the power of creativity in education. We’ll start by making the case that the business world and the world in general are looking to creative minds more than ever. Through sharing examples from the ArtSnacks network, Kevin will show how powerful creativity can be for learning.

SESSION 102, 302: 21st Century Students - Learning Anywhere, Anytime with the iPad and iPod Touch ~ Apple, Inc.
During this Mobility Seminar, we will review the changing world of the 21st Century student, and focus on the tools to meet their challenges. Learning can take place using technology anywhere, anytime, and with technology of any size that is available with a touch of our fingers - 24/7! Learning resources for all students are offered free from MIT, Harvard, and 130 other universities, and all available on-demand. Elementary students can increase their reading fluency through work done by the University of Southern Florida’s department of education. There are truly amazing technologies that are available for less than $1 that can change the way we educate our students.

SESSION 103: Using the SMART Number Cruncher and Speller in Your Classroom ~ Paula Johnson, Lakes Country Service Coop.
SMART Number Cruncher is an application to help students improve their arithmetic skills. Specifically created for the SMART Board, this software helps make learning fun and engaging. Choose addition, subtraction, multiplication or division questions, set the level of difficulty, get automatic feedback on students’ answers, incorporate fractions and decimals, enable students to use interactive images to find the correct answers. SMART Speller is an application to help students improve their literacy skills. Specifically created for the SMART Board, this software helps make learning fun and engaging. Students and teachers can display images of the word to be spelled, drag letters on screen to spell words, record word sounds, adjust difficulty level, import entire word lists, even foreign language words for test reviews.

SESSION 104: Using Podcasts and Videocasts to Enhance Student Learning ~ Derek Abrahams, Fergus Falls Public Schools
Have you ever wanted to create podcasts or videocasts with your students? Come learn how to effectively use podcasts and videocasts in the classroom to help student achievement. These are powerful tools in the classroom, and we will show you how they can be used to reach students at all learning levels.

SESSION 105: Google Apps You Can’t Live Without ~ Jesse Thorstad & Randy Hansen, Fergus Falls Public Schools
Come see how Google Apps can transform your school as an organization, and can change the way teachers teach. Hear from an actual teacher that really uses Google Apps with his students! Learn how committees can become more efficient! Google Apps increases collaboration, simplifies sharing, and generally just makes people happy.

SESSION 106: Cyber Safety - Mike Detloff, Moorhead Police Department
After his opening keynote, join Mike as he expands into Cyber Safety a little more. Learn what you can do to help students, parents and teachers stay safe when using today’s technology.

SESSION 202: iPad, the Future of the Book ~ Apple
For centuries the printed word has been a repository of human knowledge, and the reference that we turn to for answers to our questions. Technology has changed how we search for information, and the form in which that information is presented to us. The iPad is changing the way we learn, interact, and publish our learning materials. These exciting mobile devices are being used to enhance reading fluency, function as a graphing calculator, serve as a source of reference materials for social studies, act as an access tool for curriculum podcasts. They can be the voice for those that are unable to speak, send and receive emails, juggle a busy calendar, access the internet, and support elementary students in their classroom.

SESSION 203: What is Moodle? An Introduction to the Learning Management System ~ Monica Thompson, Lakes Country Service Coop.
What is Moodle? Learn about what Moodle is and how you can use it in the classroom. This session offers a hands-on learning environment where you can experience Moodle and learn about the tools used to create a virtual learning environment. Moodle has become very popular among educators as a tool for creating a blended learning environment for their students. Come see how your students can benefit from using Moodle in your classroom.

SESSION 204: Better Data for Decision-Making with Cognos Data Warehouse ~ David Campen, TIES
Learn more about how the Cognos data warehouse can simplify your data needs. Fast, easy-to-access, informative reports can help you track student performance for data retreats, Response to Intervention, and more. Comprehensive information includes data on attendance, behavior, grades, local tests such as CBM and MAP, and state test scores such as MCA-II, all in one place!
SESSION 205: Are We Preparing Online Learners? We Should Be! ~ Natasha Mortenson, Morris Area Schools

A recent student of mine emailed me to inform me he had Chemistry online…not just some of the course, but ALL of it! This is becoming the norm in higher education, saving money and time for professors, instructors, and students. In order to prepare these students we can offer blended format classes, while in high school, providing experience in online learning in addition to classroom instruction. This workshop will introduce you to blended format course work, utilizing both classroom and online learning, as well as show you how to create completely online coursework for students in your district and beyond!

SESSION 206: Facebook and Social Networking: How educators can use and are using these tools in their classrooms ~ Jill Walter & Dr. Sandra Wieser-Matthews, Perham Public Schools

Want to find a way to connect with students and their parents more easily? Facebook and other social networking tools have great potential in helping teachers, parents, students, and school communities to communicate and learn together. Find out about how teachers are using these tools and how these tools can make your classroom a more engaging and real-world learning environment.

SESSION 303: Integrate SMART Response Systems into your Daily Practice ~ Ryan Semans, Tierney Brothers

This session will investigate how SMART Response Systems can support teacher and student learning. Discussion will be focused on assessment strategies, lesson intentionality, vision for extension activities and higher-order thinking skills integration.

SESSION 304: Virtual Technology 101 ~ Ben Dahlin, Lakes Country Service Coop, John Jacobson, DGF Schools, Brian Norman, Waubun School

John Jacobson, Brian Norman, and Ben Dahlin will be discussing some of the features of virtual technology. This session will be a “101” geared towards people that are not familiar with the virtual technology world. It will also cover some of the cost savings local school districts have been able to recoup by using virtual technology in their districts. Primary audience would be Superintendents and/or Business Managers looking for cost savings or Tech Coordinators wanting to learn more about virtual technology and its features.

SESSION 305: Google Apps for Administrators ~ Jesse Thorstad, Fergus Falls Schools

Administrators (and IT staff): Learn how to become a Google Apps-using school! We’ll cover the basics of signing up, and how to set up basic functionality for teachers and students.

SESSION 306: Online Curriculum Resources for 21st Century Learning ~ Mary Mehsikomer, Region 1

Participants will learn how to access and use the free online resources available through Thinkfinity, a data base of over 55,000 lesson plans, interactive learning objects, and other instructional materials developed by educators for educators. In addition, participants will learn about a few free Web 2.0 tools and ideas for using them with instruction along with resources for finding more.
Our exhibitors will be available to you throughout the day. Please take time to visit their booths, try out products, ask questions, and see the latest and greatest technologies!!

**EXHIBITORS ~ ~**

- **Aesop**
  Substitute Placement and Absence Management web software solution

- **Honeywell**
  Student Notification Systems

- **NDR CABLES & NETWORKS**
  Cabling and Networking Supplies

- **bg innovations Interactive Learning Solutions**
  Retailer of eInstruction Interactive Whiteboards, student response systems, and accessories

- **marco**
  Regional retailer of Konica Copier Solutions

- **STUDY ISLAND**
  MCA-II Test preparation web-based software

- **Tierney Brothers Inc.**
  Retailer of SMART Interactive Whiteboards, student response systems, audio/visual systems, and accessories

- **OfficeMax®**
  Retailer of technology equipment

- **PartStock**
  Retailer of recertified computers, servers, and networking equipment

- **REASON**
  Retailer of private label and Lenovo computers

- **Cognos Data Warehouse Solution**

- **TOTAL IMAGING**
  OEM compatible toner cartridges

- **lightspeed**
  Sound amplification solutions for teachers, students, and classroom technologies