TECHNOLOGY SERVICES PRESENTS...

The Technology Insider

KEEPING YOU INSIDE THE TECHNOLOGY LOOP

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Wireless Network Now Available

In March, the TISD School Board approved Aruba Wireless Networks as the Wireless Provider for Tomball Independent School District.

The Aruba Wireless Network in TISD is providing a wireless network overlay to the current wired network and providing wireless capabilities for the laptop carts that have arrived at each campus.

Every campus in TISD has received the wireless network overlay except for Beckendorf Intermediate School due to the students being relocated to Tomball Intermediate School the following year.

The wireless network has been secured to prevent rogue access by non-district access points and laptops. Only district provided laptops are authorized to gain access to the wireless network.
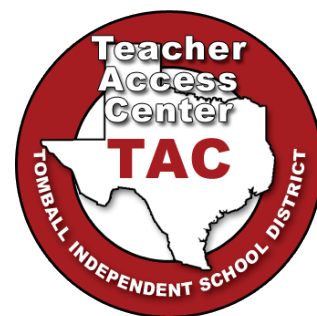
If you have a guest speaker who needs access to the wireless network while they are in the district, please fill out the Wireless Network Guest Access Form located in the TDAS Document Library, under Technology Forms. The form must be filled out and sent to Technology Services forty-eight hours prior to the event, not including weekends.

Gradebook Gets An Upgrade (Teacher Access Center)

Parents Gain Access (Home Access Center)

Technology Services Staff Member Bio...

Savilla McEntire

Savilla moved to Tomball, Texas in 1997 where she started in Tomball ISD as a Substitute Teacher. She quickly moved up as a Campus Aide at Willow Creek Elementary School in 1998. While at WCES, Savilla also served as a Technology Trainer until 2001 when she was hired by Technology Services as the HelpDesk Support. Over the next three years, she worked in dual roles as the HelpDesk Support and Gradebook Specialist until moving to full time Gradebook Specialist in 2004.

Savilla has also served as a member of the Tomball Educational Secretaries and Aides Organization (TESA) since joining TISD. For the past seven years, she has served as a TESA Officer, including President for the last two years.

Twila Rank

Twila moved to Tomball, Texas in 1989 and started working in Tomball ISD in 1995 as a Lunchroom Monitor at Lakewood Elementary and then at Tomball Intermediate School. In 1997, Twila became a Campus Aide at Beckendorf Intermediate and worked at BIS until 2000, when Technology Services hired Twila to be the HelpDesk Support.

In 2001, Twila was promoted to Computer Technician and served in that role for six years. Twila worked extremely hard learning as much as she could about servers and networks and became one of TISD's lead Technicians until 2007 when she was promoted to Network Administrator.

TDAS Home Access

What TISD Employees need to know about TDAS Home Access

Tired of e-mailing files to yourself so that you can work on them at home? Find out how TDAS Home Access can help.

District Calls Out (SchoolMessenger)

Technology Services Mission

Alexandria Hits Tomball ISD

Technology Terminology

Cyndi Fowler's HelpDesk Tips

Technology Services Staff Member Bio…

Thomas Cranshaw

Thomas moved to Conroe in the summer of 1991 from Waco, Texas. Before coming to TISD in 1997, Thomas worked in Conroe ISD as a Technician and New Caney ISD as a Network Administrator. Before working in education, Thomas served 23 years in the military; 19 of those in the Army, where he retired as a Staff Sergeant.

Thomas' wife Rose is a Deputy Sheriff with Montgomery County and between the two they have three children of the ages 26, 27, and 28, four dogs, and one African Grey Parrot.

In his spare time, Thomas enjoys sleeping and avoiding computers. When he is not sleeping, he loves to watch Nip/Tuck, Monk, Closer, and anything on the Lifetime Network.

Cam Hendricks

Cam was born in Merkel, Texas, near Abiliene and moved to Houston in the summer of 1997. Before working in education, Cam worked at M&A Technology as a NASA Sub-Contractor repairing computers.

Cam joined the education rank as a Programmer at Region IV Education Service Center in 1999 and then took the position as a Senior Programmer in Humble ISD in 2004. TISD was fortunate to hire Cam away from Humble ISD in 2006 as TISD's Manager of Information Services.

Cam is married to a teacher in TISD and has two young boys. When away from work, he enjoys spending time with his family and church and working on home improvement projects.

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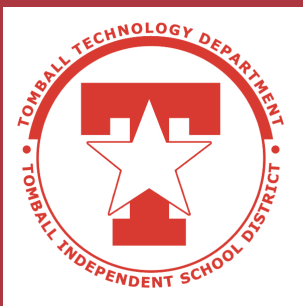
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Notebook Safety Tips

Top 10 Internet Security Tips

What Makes a Good Surge Protector?