Summer Access to Hillside Technology Resources

Over the past few months, our teachers have used a variety of digital tools and platforms to connect with and to provide lessons, activities, and enrichment to their students. Some of the tools are ones that had been and continue to be available for teachers and students. Others were used because they were made available free of charge due to the COVID pandemic and may or may not continue to be available. Some parents have asked about availability and access to these tools following the close of school for the summer, so we wanted to provide some information to you about access to them as we enter the summer months.

We would like to note that any of the tools that are teacher-dependent will not be accessible following the close of school and teachers will not be monitoring, posting, or responding to anything on these sites. With the guidance of teachers and administrators, the District has posted a Schoology Group that contains materials that you may choose to access for review or enrichment over the summer months. The group is called *Elementary Enrichment & Practice Materials*. You may find this group in your child's Schoology Groups menu at the top of the site or in the Schoology app's left menu area. Below are directions to access this new group:

Access Groups from an Internet Browser

Click on **Groups** in the top banner of Schoology.

From the drop-down menu, click on Elementary Enrichment & Practice Materials.

Under the group picture, click on **Resources**.

You will find the designated curriculum folders.

Access Groups from an iPad Schoology App

Click on the three menu bars at the top, left of the app.

Tap **Groups**.

Scroll and tap on Elementary Enrichment & Practice Materials.

Across the bottom of the app, tap More (three dots).

Tap Resources.

You will find the designated curriculum folders.

<u>Schoology</u> – Families will be able to log-in to Schoology to access the enrichment opportunities posted by the District (see above). Current teacher pages on Schoology will be accessible until June 30. Families may access their teachers' Schoology pages between June 10 and June 30 but teachers will not be posting or monitoring new activity on the pages.

Here are some additional tools and their accessibility after June 10:

<u>Bookflix</u> – You can access Bookflix, along with TrueFlix and Student-Level Databases through the PA Power Library. This resource is free with a public library card. If you don't have a library card, it takes just a moment to sign up for an e-card. https://kids.powerlibrary.org/

<u>BrainPop</u> – BrainPop has information and activities in a variety of subject areas. <u>https://www.brainpop.com/</u> <u>Username</u>: hillside_elementary <u>Password</u>: brainpop

<u>Capstone</u> -- Capstone publishing has created a wide variety of free activities and resources here: https://www.capstonepub.com/sites/reading_is_for_everyone/remote-learning.html

Capstone Interactive (online books) is also free through June 30th. Username: continue Password: reading

<u>Coding websites</u> -- There are several free websites for coding activities. Visit https://www.tesd.net/domain/1412 for a list of links sorted by grade level.

<u>Dreambox</u> - Our 1st grade students will have access to DreamBox content until mid-July when classes are removed from Clever to prepare for the 20-21 school year.

EPIC – EPIC (www.getepic.com) is a website of eBooks for kids. This resource will continue to be available for free during normal school hours. Students may access using the library class code **dwp2293** until 4:00pm on weekdays. Parents and students who wish to continue with EPIC outside of weekday school hours may register for a paid subscription.

<u>Math Buddies</u>- Several teachers utilized Math Buddies with their students during Distance Learning. These students may continue to practice and learn with Math Buddies throughout the summer with the log-in credentials that they have already been using.

Pebble Go! Free access to the online encyclopedia PebbleGo continues through June 30, 2020. Visit www.pebblego.com. <u>Username</u>: engaged <u>Password</u>: learning

<u>RAZ Kids</u> – The District utilizes RAZ kids for limited purposes and support area teachers who utilize RAZ kids with their students will notify them of continued accessibility. Because RAZ kids was offered free of charge, many teachers utilized it with their classes. Parents and students who wish to continue with RAZ kids should access it independently to see if they still have access.

<u>Scholastic</u> – Scholastic magazines has posted a variety of learning activities for all grade levels https://classroommagazines.scholastic.com/support/learnathome.html

<u>ST Math</u> – Our 2nd grade students will have access to ST Math content until mid-July when classes are removed from Clever to prepare for the 20-21 school year.

<u>Study Island</u>—Our 3rd and 4th grade students have access to Study Island until mid-July when classes are removed from Clever to prepare for the 20-21 school year.

<u>ThinkCentral</u> – ThinkCentral materials can be accessed on the Chrome Internet browser by visiting https://www-k6.thinkcentral.com and logging in with your grade's credentials. See below.

<u>Grade</u>	<u>User Name</u>	Password
K	hes-k	abc123
1st	hes-1	abc123
2nd	hes-2	abc123
3rd	hes-3	abc123
4th	hes-4	abc123

Typing Club - Our 3rd & 4th grade students will have access to Typing Club content until mid-July when classes are removed from Clever to prepare for the 20-21 school year.

<u>World Book Online</u> -- This online encyclopedia is full of information and activities. Visit http://www.worldbookonline.com. <u>UserName</u>: hillsideWB <u>Password</u>: library

Public Libraries:

Our local public libraries will be offering online programming for children, an online summer reading program, as well as digital lending. Visit your library's website for more information:

Easttown Library: www.easttownlibrary.org

Easttown Summer Reading Program Video:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1EiuKSNBH09rgDdJOUif59yLuQ7zFJDBH/view

<u>Tredyffrin Library</u>: https://www.tredyffrinlibraries.org/

Tredyffrin Summer Reading Program Video:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=w6VwSkN043U&feature=youtu.be