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#### TECH NOTES...

A monthly newsletter to communicate trends in technology integration, quick tips, useful sites, and other relevant educational technology integration information.

#### CURRICULUM FEATURES...

Kumu 2 Kumu: Technology Integration. The following link is from a recent Teacher In-service Day featuring a technology "Smackdown." Smackdown Resources for Classroom Use

## EV/ENTS

Professional Development Workshops have started and continue to be offered to KHS teachers and staff. The first workshop was held during our Fall Break and a second has been planned in December.

## MORE RESOURCES...

You can find tutorials, downloadable handouts, quick tips & tricks, technology integration resources, web 2.0 applications and much more at our ETS Blog. (blogs.ksbe.edu)



# Enhanced Learning Thru Technology

## Top Stories

## ETS Team Growing..

Who is ETS? Educational Technology Services. ETS is comprised of three teams-Operations (ETS-OPS), Audio-Video (ETS-AV) and Instructional (ETS-I). ETS is a division of Education Support Services Group (ESS).

ETS is committed to providing service and support for all levels of KS Leadership, administration and faculty.



Please welcome our newest members to the ETS Team. (l-r) Jason Ruane, Sam Nihipali, Melia Tauvela, Nathan Javellana, Lynne Horiuchi and Tim Freitas.

# Kumu 2 Kumu

## What is Kumu2Kumu?

K2K is a dedicated time for teachers to talk to teachers on various issues that impact learning. Some areas include integration, alignment, assessment, best practices, etc. This year's focus is on technology integration and curriculum alignment based on school and campus goals.

Teachers were given the opportunity to have subject area teachers share how they use technology in their classrooms and to showcase new and innovative technologies. Based on the day's feedback, teachers valued the subject area time to hear how others are integrating technology.

~Pua Higa, KHS Curriculum & Instruction

The K2K sessions held in November brought middle school math teachers together with their high school counterparts and sparked some great discussion on technology integration within our math classes.

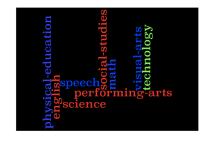
Middle school teachers Rita Littlejohn, Kim Terai, Charlene Christianson, Lori Perreira and Mike Kawakami were able to share their experiences with the one-to-one laptop program and provided important insight for our own upcoming laptop deployment. It was apparent to me that the discussions that we began should lead to more focused discussions regarding textbook selection, content delivery, and classroom management within a tech-integrated math class.

As a result, I am working on building a Kumu2Kumu Blackboard course site for our math teachers to continue these discussions and share best practices. It is my hope that the course will serve as a learning community for math teachers on our campus to continue the conversations that were started.

~Jaime Apo, KHS Math

## Technology Integrated Resources

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