

How's Your TQ? (Technology Quotient)

Rob Darrow, VP, Educational Technology

Published in California School Library Association Newsletter, January 2003.

What do you know about...

1. Digital California Project
2. CTAP
3. CalSAVE
4. CLRN
5. Commission on Technology in Learning
6. Online Learning
7. Learning Objects
8. Enhancing Education Through Technology
9. CSLA Educational Technology Committee
10. CSLA Library Standards

Give yourself 1 point for knowing about each of the following. Give yourself an additional two points if you serve on advisory body connected with any of the above.

Despite the dire concerns about the state budget, the items listed above continue to be the key technology initiatives in the state. They are all opportunities to insert the importance of information literacy and credentialed library media teachers into the various documents that are or will be produced by these organizations. What have you done to help insert the importance of information literacy or of a credentialed library media teacher into your school or district technology plan? What have you done to voice your concerns regarding the documents being produced by the state agencies listed above?

The websites below are excellent resources for all library media personnel in the state. They can save you money in your technology purchases and can give you more information about the various state technology initiatives. A couple of these websites will even suggest a glimpse into the future use of technology in the state.

- Digital California Project – www.cenic.org
- CTAP – <http://ctap.k12.ca.us/>
- CalSAVE (used to be CSMART) – www.c-smart.org
- CLRN - www.clrn.org
- Commission on Technology and Learning - www.cde.ca.gov/ctl/index.html
- Online Learning – www.uccp.org
- Learning Objects – <http://www.careo.org> or <http://www.learnalberta.ca>
- Enhancing Education Through Technology Grant Program – <http://www.cde.ca.gov/edtech/>
- CSLA Activities (Ed. Tech. And Library Standards) – www.schoollibrary.org