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Personal Vision Statement

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Develop a personal vision statement.

I envision schools where technology is used effectively to facilitate meaningful learning throughout the curriculum in all grade levels. In these schools teachers act as facilitators and guides leading students in collaborative, active, and authentic construction of knowledge. Students are actively engaged in thinking, reasoning, and making meaning with technology tools. Teachers have adequate access to technology and professional development. They are provided with adequate time and support to successfully plan for and integrate technology into their curriculum throughout the school day.

Include in your posting "why" you think or feel what you do. Also, your postings should include references to the readings for the topic and/or other readings you've found on your own.

This personal vision statement has evolved during my studies in this program. I began forming my vision when I read Meaningful Learning with Technology by Jonassen, Howland, Marra, and Crismond during my first course. In their book, they define the characteristics of meaningful learning and how technology can be used to foster it. I have continued to build this vision through each course and through my personal reading. In Using Technology with Classroom Instruction that Works, Pitler, Hubbell, Kuhn, and Malenoski cite Schacter and Fagnano, "Applied effectively, technology implementation not only increases student learning, understanding, and achievement but also augments motivation to learn, encourages collaborative learning, and supports the development of critical thinking and problem-solving skills (p. 3).