

Connected Tech

KISD Technology Training

Increase Student Achievement Through Technology Integration!

To prepare students for success in the information age, technology must become a tool that every student can use effectively. Classroom Connect's new **Connected Tech** is a 6-8 Web-based instructional program that teaches students technology skills within the context of the core curriculum.

Developed with the input of hundreds of classroom teachers, Connected Tech comes packed with tutorials, lessons, projects, and assessments that were

carefully designed to help students learn today's most important software applications.

Guided Learning for Students

- Tutorials, lessons, and projects that aid technology literacy using the most popular real-world software.
- Connected Tech can be used online or offline, at home and school.
- Differentiated instructional approaches, audio, and Spanish language support accommodate diverse learning styles.

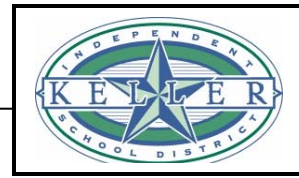
Connected Tech aligns with E2T2 funding, to improve student achievement through the use of technology in elementary and secondary schools.

Here's all you get when you use Connected Tech!

- A print Teacher's Guide for every grade level, K - 8
- Four colorful posters for your classroom (Spanish and English versions)
- An easy-to-use online program
 - 450+ lessons and projects that align to your curriculum
 - 2,000+ software tutorials and helpful tips
 - 11,000+ carefully selected Web links
 - 1,000+ glossary terms
 - 170+ assessment rubrics, quizzes and self-assessment checklists
 - 80+ Ready to Go! Sets™: ready-to-use sequences of Lessons that teach all the TA TEKS for each grade level
 - Individual student tracking
 - Options to customize learning for individuals and groups
 - Spanish Lessons in all grades K-8

Connected Tech teaches these software applications:

- Inspiration®
- iMovie™
- KidPix®
- Kidspiration™
- Microsoft® Access®
- Microsoft® Excel
- Microsoft PowerPoint®
- Microsoft® Word



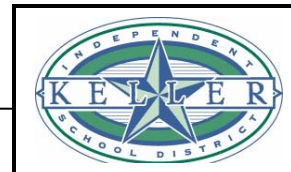
An example of Activities and Resources for Teachers.



An example of Guided Learning for Students.

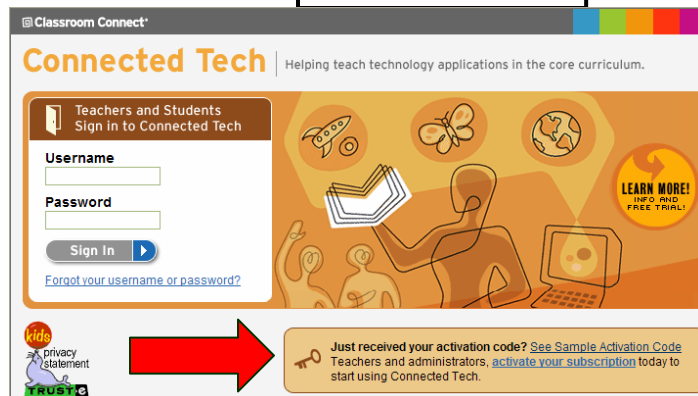
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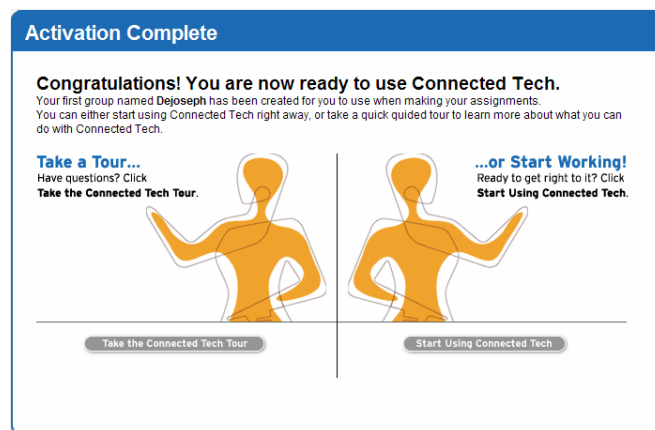
To Begin Using Your New Online Textbook:

- Go to <http://tech.classroom.com>
- Both you and the students will go to the same internet address to access the textbook.
- Click on 'activate your subscription' at the bottom in the orange box.
- On the next screen, enter the activation code, and your email address.
- The next screen asks for your personal information. Enter your name, verify your email, select your school, and your role.
- Create a username and password for you
- Select the grade you teach (6th, 7th, or 8th). If you teach more than one grade, just pick one of the grades-you can switch later. Create a generic group name.
- You would like to enable student tracking.
- Accept the terms of use and click continue.
- You are now ready to take a tour or start working.



To Begin Working:

- Click on my student groups in the upper right hand corner.
- You will see the generic group you have already created.
- Click for the group you want to add/edit students to
- At the bottom of the page you have the option to
- For your first list, 'Select From Student List'. The next time you set up a new lesson or group you can copy your students from a previous list.
- You can click 'Add Students' to add a new student who is not already on the list.
 - Select 'Create your own student usernames and passwords.'
 - Enter all of the student information required.
 - **The username and password for each student is KISDIDnumber. Example: KISD678901**
 - You can enter up to five students at a time.
 - Select 'Save Changes'.



To Find a Resource

- In the resources tab at the top of the page you can perform either a search, select a technology topic, select a technology standard, a software application, or select a subject.
- You will be taken to a list of lessons for your students' grade level which you can assign to this group or flag for later.
- If you cannot find a resource in this grade level, at the top of this page, you can change the grade to 6, 7, or 8th grade resources.
- If you click on the hyperlinked name of the assignment, you will see for this assignment.
- To see the student view click . This is exactly how the students will see the lesson.
- Click to select this lesson for your students.
- If you come across a great assignment that is not applicable to your current nine weeks curriculum, click . This lesson will now be saved in your flagged resources.
- Once you click assign, you will be taken to a page to assign this resource to your current group.

Search Connected Tech
 English and Spanish English Spanish

Activities

by Technology Topic	by Subject
Keyboarding	Reading & Language Arts
Computer Basics	Math
Technology & Society	Science
Word Processing	Social Studies
Desktop Publishing	
Multimedia	
Electronic Research	
Simulations & Interactive Environments	
Spreadsheets	
Databases	
Telecommunications	
Evaluation	

by Technology Standard

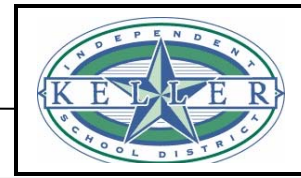
[See all TA TEKS](#)

by Software Application

Find step-by-step Tutorials and Helpful Tips. You or your students can quickly [learn software applications and technology basics](#).

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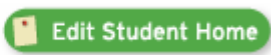
Name and type of assignment

Which group do you want to assign this to?



Ready Set Go! Sets

- Click the Resources tab.
- Click the  button (located below and to the right of the Resources tab). The list of resources in each of the Ready to Go! Sets is shown.
- Click the title of an individual resource to see the lesson plans for the individual lesson.
- You can assign any one of the sets or individual lessons listed below.
- To select the entire set, click .

Assignments

- You will then be taken to a list of your .
- You can see when the lesson description, when they were assigned and you can select whether the assignments are completed or if they need to be deleted.
- At the top of this page you can see  . This is where you will put your welcome information for the students. To view it click 'See Student Home'. To change the information click 'Edit Student Home.'

Reports

- To view which Technology Applications TEKS your students have mastered (or not mastered) click on the reports button located at the top of the page. 
- Select your report type: Tech Standards, Core Subject Standard, Quiz report.
- Choose the dates you would like the report run, and whether you want it run for a specific student or the entire group.
- Click .
- The next page will show you a summary of your student's progress.

Step 1. Select your report type.

You can view either one of two types of Standards Addressed Reports, or a Quiz Results report. You may only create one report at a time.

- Tech Standards Report
- Core Subjects Standards Report
- Quiz Report

Typing Pal

To access the teacher's edition of Typing Pal from My Student Groups:

1. In Connected Tech, click the My Student Groups link (located in the upper-right corner of the page).
2. Select a group from the Group List.
3. Click the Manage Typing Pal Settings link. A new window opens and displays the Typing Pal welcome page.
4. You can navigate the site and change the group settings by using the tabs on the left of the screen.
5. **IMPORTANT:** Close the Typing Pal window to return to *Connected Tech*.



For more information on any of these topics click on help to view a more detailed description.