

MRVED UPDATE



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Ag and Industrial Technology Meeting Rescheduled Date

The Ag and Industrial Technology meeting which was to be held in mid March, but was postponed due to bad weather, will be made up on April 18. The group will be touring K&M Manufacturing in Renville, eating in Renville, and then the Ag teachers will be meeting at RCW and the Industrial Technology teachers will be meeting at YME in the afternoon. These teachers should have received an agenda with the makeup date reminder earlier this week.

Online Learning Teachers' Meeting

The instructors, who will be teaching an online course through the new MRVED Online Program, met at the MRVED on April 9. The meeting was geared toward getting everyone on the same page and allowing time to design their courses in Moodle and troubleshoot issues. Overall the day was very productive and the instructors worked hard on their courses.

MRVED TAC and PAC Meeting

The combined meeting of the TAC and Principals' Council originally scheduled for Thursday, April 11, was cancelled due to the impending bad weather. An attempt will be made to reschedule in May. Stay tuned.

TIP/RESOURCE OF THE WEEK



Elementary Science Retreat for Students

When: Saturday, April 20, 2013
Where: [MinnWest Technology Campus](#)
Who: 4-12 Graders
Cost: **FREE**

What: Do you think hawks, robots, crime solving, solar energy, fire, catapults, or even cow poop is cool? (Okay, maybe not cow poop, but the science behind it!) If you can say yes to any of these, you don't want to miss the i3@MTC Science Retreat. It's an event developed especially for kids who are creative and excited about the world of science. Click [HERE](#) for more information.



[Duckie Deck](#) is a great resource to use in the preschool or kindergarten classroom. The website is simple to use and has over 125 educational games to play for kids. There are a variety of games for kids to choose, including counting, shapes, sizes, etc... I plan to introduce this website to my five-year old tonight! Thanks to Richard Byrne at [FreeTech4Teachers](#) for this great find!



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UPCOMING MEETINGS

- April 17**
MRVED Board
(tentative date)
- April 18**
Ag & Ind Tech
(Tour of K&M Manufacturing)
- April 19**
Title III Teachers
- April 24**
Superintendents' Council
- May 22**
Superintendents' Council

TECH TIPS

[Ask3](#)- Techsmith, the same company that has brought us Jing and Camtasia have done it again. [Ask3](#) is an iPad app that allows teachers & students to quickly ask & answer each other's questions with text & their own videos. This FREE app turns each iPad into a whiteboard that can record voice & visuals for instant classroom sharing.