

# MRVED UPDATE



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## MRVED Minute



Don't forget to check out Brandon's MRVED Minute. The MRVED Minute is a video update where Brandon highlights different pieces of the update. You can see all MRVED Minute videos as they are archived on the [MRVED YouTube channel](#). You can also see a variety of "How To" videos as well. Take the time to browse through the YouTube Channel and watch this week's MRVED Minute.



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## Agriculture and Industrial Technology Field Trip Postponed

The MRVED Ag and Industrial Technology teachers were to tour K&M Manufacturing on March 5, but weather forced us to postpone the tour and meeting. No makeup date has been scheduled yet. Stay tuned for a rescheduled date.

## TIP/RESOURCE OF THE WEEK

### [MN eLearning Summit: eSynergy Bringing it all Together](#)



**eSynergy**  
BRINGING IT ALL TOGETHER

Date: July 29 & 30, 2013  
Where: Northwestern College, St. Paul, MN  
Cost: \$175

#### What:

- General sessions featuring nationally recognized leaders in education:
  - Jeff Young, Technical Journalist, The Chronicle of Higher Education
  - Cable Green, Director of Global Learning, Creative Commons
  - Gary Lopez, Executive Director, Monterey Institute for Education and Technology
- Interactive breakout sessions where practitioners share best practices and innovative approaches to blended, flipped, and digital learning through the integration of technology.
- Extended, hands-on, experiential learning workshops assisting learners to develop, understand, and interact with systems more effectively.
- Showcase sessions featuring innovative technology.
- Opportunities that develop professional networks with colleagues and providers of educational technology.

#### **Snapchat: What is it?**



As educators we need to be as proactive as possible. Snapchat, although not new, is the new and hip way for students to chat. *Snapchat* is a popular messaging app that allows teens to exchange user-generated photos, which can't be saved within the app and are viewable for one to ten seconds before disappearing from the recipient's device. *Snapchat's* creators intended the fleeting images to be a way for teens to share fun and light moments without the risk of having them go public. The app notifies the sender if the recipient takes a screen shot of the image. You can read all about Snapchat on the [Common Sense Media Website](#).

The biggest issue with Snapchat is the ability to send pictures which will "disappear" from the recipient's device in one to ten seconds. This becomes a gateway for kids to send inappropriate pictures of themselves to others. When used appropriately, Snapchat is a fun and usable app. When used inappropriately, it can be a cause for concern. Talk to your students or children about their use of Snapchat today, and warn them of the dangers of sending images of themselves to others.

[Kare11 Story on Snapchat](#)

## UPCOMING MEETINGS

March 12  
FACS

March 13  
Guidance Counselors

March 15  
Social Workers

March 19  
Business

March 20  
Superintendents' Council

## TECH TIPS

### [Google Docs Story Builder](#)



If you are looking for a neat way to a

student to tell a short story, check out [Google Docs Story Builder](#). It is very easy to do and no log in is necessary. Simply type what you want, your screen will be recorded, you can put music with it, and you are done. It would also be a neat way to introduce a topic. Check it out today!