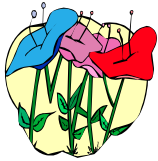


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MRVED SUMMER 2012 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Today is the **LAST DAY** to register for summer classes. A minimum of 10 participants is needed for classes to be held. This is a busy time of year for teachers and understandably it is hard to think about your summer availability. However, there are so many varied and interesting classes being offered this summer, that it might be worth your time to pull out your calendar and see if any of these classes fit into your schedule. Click [HERE](#) for more information.

MRVED Website

The MRVED website continues to evolve and new content is added weekly. If you have not explored the site recently go there today.

Did You Know?


Did you know approximately 46 percent of fourth-graders in the nation read for fun on their own time almost every day in 2011, which is higher than in 2002 and 2009. See the report [HERE](#).

TIP/RESOURCE OF THE WEEK

Ted-Ed

TEDEd [Ted-Ed](#) comes from the same people that bring you [Ted talks](#). Ted-Ed is diving into the flipped classroom revolution feet first. A couple weeks ago Ted-Ed was featured in the update, since then they have added a new and useful feature. Anybody can now take any YouTube video and add discussion questions, extra links, and commentary. See Brandon's example [HERE](#), or you can see a professionally created flipped video [HERE](#). Anyone can view videos on Ted-Ed, but you must sign up if you wish to add questions to the YouTube videos.

Digital Passport

 [Digital Passport](#) is a web-based program for K-5 from Common Sense Media. It is a FREE, fun, and effective way to teach kids about digital citizenship. The program offers games, videos, collaboration, and a badge system. Digital Passport looks like it could be a great way to engage K-5 students in understanding what should and should not be done on a computer. Teachers can set up accounts for their classes and track students as they go through the program. This tracking would be a great way to document that students have met the requirements set forth by the [CIPA](#). Don't forget to sign in to the MRVED site and see all the great resources that are put together for you there.

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

May 23

Superintendents' Council

June 6

MRVED Board

June 12

Superintendents' Council & Principals' Council combined meeting

ANDROID APP OF THE WEEK:

Gesture Search - [Gesture Search](#) is an Android only app. Search your Android phone by drawing gestures on the touch screen. It lets you quickly find a contact, a bookmark, an application, or a music track on your device by drawing on the screen. Search results are updated as you add each letter or digit and becomes better by learning from your search history.