

MRVED UPDATE



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MELT

Look for MELT registration materials to be released next week. There will be around 20 breakout sessions per hour. Sessions range from using different technology tools in the classroom, to Autism, to the latest drug trends in Southwestern Minnesota. MELT 2013 will be held at Lac qui Parle Valley High School from 8:40 a.m.-2:00 p.m. on January 21, 2013. This plans to be the biggest and best MELT ever. Be sure to register for sessions early in order to ensure you get to attend the sessions you want.

Industrial Technology Best Practice Update

The Industrial Technology instructors gathered at the MRVED on Thursday, November 29 for their annual best practice meeting. The morning was spent discussing what personalized learning is as well as sharing ideas. Pizza Ranch was great and more ideas were shared around the table. In the afternoon Gail Polejewski was with us to discuss Perkins and CTE information. The day ended with aligning curriculum to the ELA standards.

December Technology Calendar

Be sure to check out the [December Technology Resource Calendar](#) posted on the MRVED site. Lots of great resources for the classroom!

TIP/RESOURCE OF THE WEEK

Free Online Social Studies Textbooks

Many schools are struggling with keeping updated social studies textbooks. An area of need is recent history. There are a couple great websites that are laid out exactly like a textbook. If you need to supplement for a chapter, replace a chapter, or need a chapter, these are some great resources to assist. Many of the resources on these sites are for junior high or high school social studies. Give them a look today!

ushistory.org

Resource for not just US History, but also Government and Ancient Civilizations. Lots of great information and organized!

[US History Textbook from the Government](#)

This free textbook has a great chapter on the Obama administration! You can also get a pdf copy of this book and print it for your students. This resource is not being updated anymore.

[Social Science Wikibooks](#)

Wikibooks is a great resource for not just Social Studies textbooks, but any content area. This is a great organized resource!



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UPCOMING MEETINGS

December 4
Health

December 5
MRVED Board (7:00 p.m.)

December 6
World Languages

December 7
Title III Teachers

December 11
Language Arts

TECH TIPS

Are you looking for Apps for your classroom? Check out these unique lists of Apps by content area and age level.

[Apps for Elementary](#)

[Apps for Middle School](#)

[Apps for High School](#)