INTRODUCTION

The Technology Committee undertook the development of the District’s fifth Technology Master Plan in the fall of 2010. Using the previous technology plans and the District’s Educational and Facilities Master Plan as a guide, the committee surveyed their constituents, researched Technology Plans developed by other institutions, and examined the current state of technology within the District as well as where we would like to be in five years.

TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

The purpose of the Technology Committee is to facilitate the infusion of technology into our district structure and functioning. The Vice President of Institutional Development, Technology and Online Services, the Associate Vice President of Information Technology Services, and an appointed member of the faculty share the chairperson responsibilities of the committee. The Technology Committee reports to the Chancellor’s Executive Cabinet via the Vice President of Institutional Development, Technology, and Online Services.

The focus of the committee is to:

• Generate enthusiasm for the use of technology on campus to the benefit of student learning.
• Monitor the progress towards the implementation of the District’s Technology Master Plan.
• Update the Technology Master Plan as needed with specific objectives for action and improvement.
• Work with Facilities to ensure that the infrastructure and design of all District buildings support the current and future use of technology.
• Assess the success of technology training provided through Professional Development, Computer Support and self-guided training systems to ensure that the technology training needs of faculty and staff is being met.
• Work with the Director of Professional Development to recommend technology-training ideas for the District.
• Make recommendations for budget proposals to submit to PAC-B for funding to implement technology plans and action priorities.
• Promote and set the tone for technology development.
• Serve to coordinate with and link efforts among departments and committees as appropriate across the District.
• Make recommendations related to the technology needs of the District to the Facilities Master Planning Committee, staffing committees, PAC-B, Superintendent-President, and College Planning Team.

ACCEPTABLE USE

The District has adopted policies for acceptable use of the District’s computing facilities. Currently, there is a policy governing use of computers by students and another similar policy for staff. These policies were strong first steps in providing guidelines and structure for overall use of computing resources and should be reviewed by the Technology Committee on a regular basis. A copy of the current policies is located in Appendix A5.

ORGANIZATION OF THE PLAN

Given the constant evolution of technology, it is difficult to predict what the District will need in terms of technology over the next five years. The Technology Plan has been divided into major sections covering hardware, software, network infrastructure, technical support, facilities, accessibility and assistive technology, distance learning, online services, training and learning resources. Each section provides a brief history, an explanation of the current environment and recommendations for the next five years.