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INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DIVISION

During Budget Development, consider your school's technology needs

As you continue to leverage technology to improve teaching and learning, the need for up-to-date technology at your school site is vital. Below are some recommendations to consider as you plan for the 2016-2017 school year.

Devices

Consider replacing laptops, computers and mobile devices that are beyond useful life and out of warranty.

What is considered "useful life"?

Laptops, Tablets, Netbooks = **3 years** Desktops = **5 years**

Visit the **Technology Purchase Center** where you can find devices as low as $300 at http://achieve.lausd.net/techshop

Did you know?

- The older your devices get, the harder it is to maintain them

- When devices are beyond their useful life, they start to break down more frequently

- Older devices are often incompatible with up-to-date software

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Tech Support

Consider funding a full-time or half-time on-site tech support for your school.

The **on-site technician** will serve as the point of contact for all technology related issues at your school. On-site technicians perform basic troubleshooting and software updates, check and restore connections to the network, prepare mobile devices for classroom use, and provide proactive and responsive service to meet your school's real-time day-to-day technology needs.

Microcomputer Support Assistant (MCSA)

Full Time: C Basis = $69,875* Half-Time: C Basis = $34,938**

*Full Cost **Includes half of the health & benefits cost

Only have enough to fund a half-time position? That's okay! You have the option to fund a "shared" full-time MCSA who will spend half their time at your school and the other half supporting other ITD initiatives.