

“I strongly believe that technology support is vital to our classrooms. Idle computers are useless...

SBTS are vital to student success.

The services of our SBTS are critical to our vision of providing a gifted-quality education to every child in Fairfax County.”

*Dr. Daniel Domenech,
SBTS Newsletter, February 2003*

“I consider excellent teaching to be both an art and a science. The science part is easier to learn (organization, objectives, activities, assessment, etc.)... but it is in the art form, when something within makes a connection happen between learner and material, tools and queries, the objective and the subjective, where the magic happens. It is that connectivity of all factors, where **technology usually enables us to do something we couldn't otherwise do** or expedites the response to the question posed by the learner.”

*Steve Holmlund,
School Based Technology Specialist,
Rachel Carson Middle School,
Herndon, VA*



What Can Your SBTS Help You Do?

- Ignite student interest
- Make your job easier
- Save you time
- Organize your information
- Maximize software and hardware
- Learn tips and tricks
- Integrate technology
- Troubleshoot technical problems
- And lots more...

Together we can be a **great** team for our schools!

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The School Based Technology Specialist

The Role of the School Based Technology Specialist

Leader

The School Based Technology Specialist (SBTS) provides informed leadership for the school by serving in official roles such as Technology Committee chair, PTA liaison, Vanguard Team member, and school planning committee member. The SBTS assesses the current use of technology in the building and, based on current research, makes appropriate recommendations for curriculum connections and technology purchases.

Trainer

The School Based Technology Specialist develops differentiated technology training for teachers and school staff members in a wide variety of instructional applications for the purpose of achieving each school's instructional goals and enhancing productivity.

Consultant

The School Based Technology Specialist acts as an on-site consultant, advising in all aspects of technology. The SBTS provides just-in-time support for school staff members in the areas of curriculum connections, troubleshooting, and appropriate use of software. The SBTS also assists each teacher in meeting state technology requirements. The relationship that results from one-on-one consulting empowers teachers and staff members to expand their personal technology horizons.



Collaborator

The School Based Technology Specialist collaborates with teachers in planning lessons and models best practices in integrating technology into all facets of the K-12 curriculum. The SBTS works with other School Based Technology Specialists to



develop training and communicates with other technology leaders in FCPS. School Based Technology Specialists work with local universities as partners in major grant programs.

Innovator

The School Based Technology Specialist assimilates current research, disseminates information, synthesizes ideas, and attends meetings and training.

Coordinator

The School Based Technology Specialist serves as the point of contact for all central and local technology purchases, installations, upgrades, and repairs. The SBTS also ensures that each site has an accurate and timely inventory of hardware. School Based Technology Specialists work together in their clusters to coordinate central training to better meet the needs of individual teachers.

Troubleshooter

The School Based Technology Specialist assesses software and hardware problems, implements basic solutions, and coordinates repairs. The SBTS establishes repair priorities for other FCPS support partners.

Liaison

The School Based Technology Specialist is the liaison between the school staff and divisionwide technology resources. The SBTS acts as the point of contact for the school and is responsible for implementing many centrally mandated initiatives.

Manager

The School Based Technology Specialist manages a wide variety of central and local accounts to ensure that FCPS employees have access to necessary resources. The SBTS manages the school's web team, the local school support team, and technology instructional assistants.