

# TECH SCOUT CLUB: PROPOSAL OUTLINE

## GOALS

- Provide students another way to be leaders and expose them to privilege / responsibility model.
- Give students who may not excel in other areas (sports, art, etc) another outlet to distinguish themselves.
- Provide another set of hands to help teachers resolve technical issues for students.

## INCREASE:

- attendance
- engagement in class
- sense of self-value and belonging in a cooperative group
- pragmatic goal-setting for students' futures in higher education or technical training
- learning choices for students and districts
- social, academic and technical career-related skills

## DECREASE:

- disciplinary referrals
- ineffective or expensive alternative placements
- truancy, failure and drop-out rates
- student apathy and alienation
- student perception of gap between school and "real-life"

## CURRICULUM: A two year program with four phases:

1. Skillbuilding [determine school & community needs and work in teams]
2. Cyberfair [display skills to younger grades / recruitment]
3. Jobshop & Projects {see ACTIVITIES below}
4. Internship [local CBOs and Businesses – when appropriate]

## COMMMITMENT

- “Specials” Class or Club two days/week after school
- 1 one-on-one meeting per week
- Lunch/Recess time used for service projects.
- Each student signs an access / behavior contract.
- Each student has one long-term task dedicated to improving technology here at school

## ACTIVITIES

- First responders to technical issues in the classroom.
- Pre-trained implementation support for new technology in the classroom.
- Audio/Visual Support in the classroom for projectors, etc.
- Kids-eye-view School Newspaper [see example]
- Student-run Webserver for students [classwork] and teachers [webquests, etc.]
- Help Desk for community service. [see brochure]
- Provide input to Tech Planning meetings
- Computer Skills Training [students, faculty, parents]
- Maintain Moodle Board for Job Shop, Knowledge Base
- Digital Photography and image editing for teachers, school PR.