“I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel…”
—Philippians 1:4-5

TEC21SM

Great relationships. Great workshops. Great impact.

We facilitate technology-enriched classrooms for the 21st-century learner.

TEC21 is a unique professional development strategy with a mission to:

- Connect Lutheran educators at local, regional, national and international levels.
- Assist teachers in gaining new expertise to confidently and effectively integrate technology into the learning environment.
- Encourage and equip TEC21 teachers to become peer resources in their schools.

Our coaching platform is a series of face-to-face workshops scheduled throughout the school year and held during the school day. These energetic, content-rich sessions are facilitated by Lutheran school educators who are passionate about integrating technology into the Lutheran school classroom to engage and motivate kids.

We bring cohorts of educators together at our innovation centers across the nation to examine, question, evaluate and understand technology, and develop practical applications for the classroom.

Relationships are formed when educators connect and collaborate in the workshop setting. Our TEC21 participants continue to engage with each other through online networking sites. The ideas shared by this large, perpetual learning community spill into the classroom to create contagious learning.
Authentic engagement with our students in our fast-paced, media-saturated world has become more difficult. This is the battle God has called TEC21 to fight: to leverage all the technological tools available today to captivate young hearts and minds.

“TEC21 should be in every school, every year! After training, we become resources ourselves.”
—Terri Vanwey, teacher

“Through TEC21 I have learned so many ways to incorporate technology into my teaching. My students are engaged and excited to learn the new strategies and skills that I learn each month.”
—Chris Ford, teacher

“As a principal of a Lutheran School, I acknowledge that we invest large amounts of money to place new technologies in our schools and classrooms. It is equally important to make the same investment for the professional development of our teachers, learning how to use equipment and ways to integrate technology in the classroom. We choose TEC21 to equip and coach our teachers.”
—Barb Mertens, principal

Brent Dieckhoff is the founder and executive director of TEC21, and a master workshop facilitator. A Lutheran educator and graduate of Concordia University in Seward, Neb., Brent earned his Master of Science in School Leadership from Baker University in Baldwin City, Kan. He has served in the Pacific Southwest, Missouri and Kansas districts in both administrative and teaching positions. He believes in the power of the connected educator, life-long learning and helping teachers provide compelling student learning opportunities in Technology Enriched Classrooms.

Key to the future.
Technology can take you and your students to extraordinary places. TEC21 workshops show you the way.

• Discover new, innovative technology tools and resources.
• Effectively integrate technology into your curriculum.
• Benefit from a creative pause—time to process, develop and grow.
• Learn best practices from expert educators.
• Create lessons/projects to implement immediately across your curriculum.
• Refine or create a student-centered classroom web presence.
• Receive three graduate-level credits through Concordia University—Nebraska (optional).
• Collaborate and network with fellow educators.
• Build life-long relationships and support through an active and online TEC21 community.

We have a strong vision for 2022:

• Growth of the TEC21 Endowment Fund allows for additional support services and to provide need-based scholarships.
• Growing our partnerships with Concordia University–Nebraska, the Lutheran Church Extension Fund, and the 35 district education executives of the Lutheran Church–Missouri Synod
• 40 TEC21 facilitators and thousands of TEC21 teachers
• 35 LCMS districts, 40 innovation centers, 233 TEC21 schools

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