Digital Learning Day

VERONA AREA HIGH SCHOOL

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Technology integrated into all Classes at VAHS

Digital Learning Day @ VAHS

Verona Area High School embraces the use of technology for teaching and learning, communication, collaboration, and productivity. A robust infrastructure provides access to a variety of resources throughout the building in classrooms, computer labs, offices and the Library Media Center. Mobility is also supported via a secure wireless network which allows laptops, iPads, smartphones and other devices access to the Internet to support learning. Staff development is a priority and includes ongoing training to increase technology integration on topics such as interactive whiteboards, iPads/iPods, Google Docs, content creation and blended learning using Moodle. Innovative grants are being utilized to establish flipped classrooms and create digital content. The VAHS Library contains over 12,000 volumes, both electronic and in print. In addition, the District provides school

and at-home access to an extensive array of databases. VAHS also provides access to state-of-art software in the school's recording studio, graphic design lab (Adobe CS6 Suite), as well as a comprehensive film production studio for news production. More information about technology at VAHS is available at the school's web site at www.verona.k12.wi.us.

Helping Others in Need

It wasn't all about technology on Digital Learning Day. In fact, one of the ways that schools were encouraged to participate, was ending word hunger. On a website called FreeRice.com, groups could compete and play educational review games in a wide variety of categories. Every correct answered earned grains of rice for individuals in countries in need. Review categories included math, humanities, geography, math SAT test prep and more. Many teachers

encouraged students to test their knowledge and play for 10-15 minutes if finished with their homework or



outside the school day. Many said it was really rewarding participating in something fun, educational, and that helped others. You can play the game all throughout the year, not just on Digital Learning Day. We encourage you to check it out and test your knowledge. Caution - helping others can be very addictive, especially at this site.

www.freerice.com