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Easy Tips for Integrating Technology in the Classroom

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FOSTER A CULTURE FOR CHANGE

You need the best environment where innovation can thrive. Find ways to encourage open communication and idea sharing regularly.

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GAIN PERSPECTIVE

What problems are you trying to solve with technology? Take a look at what's worked in past years, and also what other schools are doing.

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HOLD A LISTENING SESSION

Include a variety of perspectives. Bring your teachers, parents, and stakeholders to the table.

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ANALYZE YOUR INFRASTRUCTURE

Know your current tech capabilities, such as high-speed Internet access, devices, security protocols.

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CREATE A SOLID PLAN

Know your technology workflow inside and out. How will this new tool fit into daily learning? Make sure it is strategic, seamless, and simple to use.

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EXPERIMENT AND COMPARE

Do your homework and explore the options. When you can, test drive a new tool on a small scale first.

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REINVENT THE CURRICULUM

Try new ideas to technologically boost existing lessons. This the best time to shake up the curriculum, explore ways to improve engagement.

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SUPPORT YOUR TEACHERS

For a smooth transition, make sure your teachers are prepared with the training and resources they need.

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COLLABORATE OFTEN

Encourage cross-departmental collaboration, so teachers learn and share ideas on using new tools.

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ANALYZE, LEARN, AND IMPROVE

Plan on ongoing checkpoints to track results and apply lessons learned to improve your program.