

DIMC Sunset Notes Release 1

Important News and Updates

- As a reminder, the District Instructional Media Center will be ceasing operation a *month earlier* than previously scheduled. *The closure of these services is planned for June 6, 2009.*
- The DIMC will be replaced with an online video streaming capability in BVSD, bringing both Cable TV and video streaming directly to every desktop computer in the district no later than January, 2010. This capability is leveraged by our new high-speed fiber network. We call it the *BVSD Digital Content Initiative*.
- A large team of district professionals is currently evaluating large digital library collections of video, stills, and sound recordings for deployment via this new software platform, which will be called *MediaCast*.
- More information will be posted in subsequent updates.

Important School Planning Information

- Due to the DIMC closing, *we will no longer send older equipment such as overhead projectors and tape recorders out to be fixed to the Denver Audio Visual firm through the DIMC*. Instead, schools should contact the firm's owner, Randy, directly at 303-237-5800 to facilitate repairs.
- In the past, DIMC staff has sparingly assisted teachers with making copies of videos, DVD's, or audio tapes for various purposes and presentations. *This will no longer be a service* after the DIMC has closed, so please plan accordingly.
- Interlibrary book courier services from CLIC through the DIMC *may no longer be available* after our closure. We are, however, investigating whether an individual school wants to take on this responsibility on behalf of other schools. Another option for any school is to become a community drop site, sponsored by a host public library in your own community for \$50 a year. You may contact CLIC directly at: 303-422-1150.
- Please watch for a *comprehensive teacher training component*, soon to be announced, that will accompany the Digital Content Initiative. Sound teacher professional development will be an integral part of this initiative.

Links

Want to learn more about the Digital Content Initiative or the planned DIMC Sunset?
Check out our online FAQs by just clicking [HERE](#).

Questions

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