

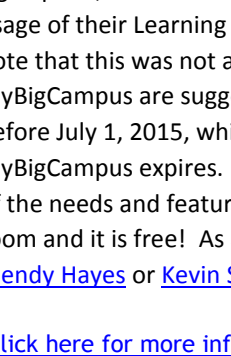
## Summer Professional Development Technology Courses

Thank you to all the teachers who took the time to fill out the Summer Professional Development Survey! We are excited to offer the following courses during June both during morning and afternoon sessions on Tuesdays and Thursdays:

- Google Classroom
- Google Docs
- SMART Notebook—Basics
- SMART Notebook—Advanced
- iPad Apps for the Classroom
- New EPS Website

**Look for more information and registration coming next week!!**

## Projector acting up? There's an App for that... and our students have discovered it!

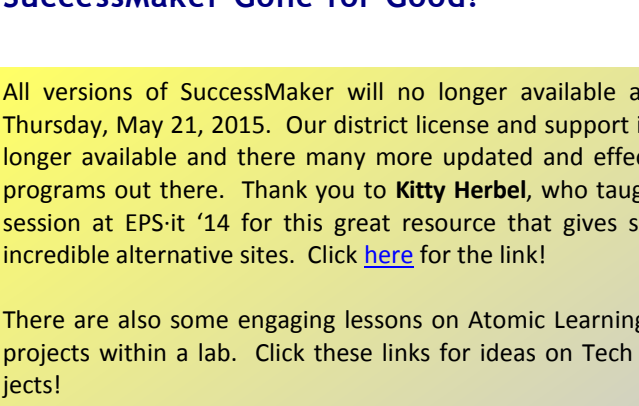


It has been reported and confirmed that students are downloading an app that is changing projector settings and even turning them off. Please be aware of this if something unexpected happens. You might just take a look around and see who has a phone out!

## My Big Campus Leaves the District...

Lightspeed, the owner of MyBigCampus, will be phasing—out usage of their Learning Management System (LMS). Please note that this was not an EPS decision. EPS Teachers using MyBigCampus are not going to migrate to Google Classroom before July 1, 2015, which is when our EPS subscription for MyBigCampus expires. The Technology Department feels most of the needs and features can be met through Google Classroom and it is free! As always, you are welcome to contact [Mendy Hayes](#) or [Kevin Schanck](#) to get help with this process.

[Click here for more information about My Big Campus Transition FAQ](#)



## Blocked on Internet?

Getting blocked? If you are seeing a blue screen from Lightspeed, the company EPS uses for our internet filter, you have some options. First, check to see if you can override the site. Near the middle of the screen, look for an “Override” button. Simply, click on this and you will be allowed to go to the site for 15 minutes. If no Override button, check in the upper top left corner to make sure you are authenticated. If your login name is not there, please [click here](#) for a Quick Access Form to help guide you through the process.

## SuccessMaker Gone for Good!

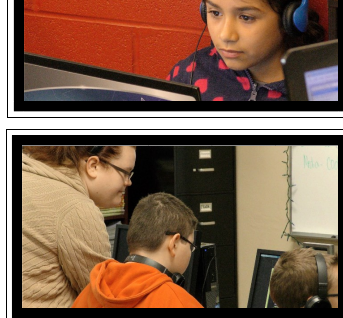
All versions of SuccessMaker will no longer available as of Thursday, May 21, 2015. Our district license and support is no longer available and there many more updated and effective programs out there. Thank you to **Kitty Herbel**, who taught a session at EPS-it '14 for this great resource that gives some incredible alternative sites. Click [here](#) for the link!

There are also some engaging lessons on Atomic Learning for projects within a lab. Click these links for ideas on Tech Projects!

[Keeping Kids Safe Online!](#) (Projects for Grades 3-12)

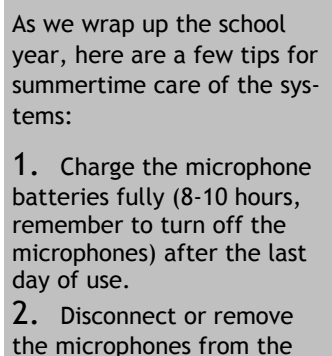
[Water Works](#) (Using Google Earth)

[Extra! Extra!](#) (Using Google Docs)



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## Red Cat Care during Summer Break

As we wrap up the school year, here are a few tips for summertime care of the systems:

1. Charge the microphone batteries fully (8-10 hours, remember to turn off the microphones) after the last day of use.
2. Disconnect or remove the microphones from the charger.
3. You may wish to remove the batteries and store them with the microphone(s).
4. You may unplug the systems from the wall power outlet to conserve electricity.
5. Store systems and mics in a place where they will be safe from damage while summer projects/cleaning might take place.
6. The batteries will hold a residual charge over the summer, and will only need to be charged up overnight before the first day of use.
7. If there will be construction and/or renovation in a particular area or room, some type of bag or covering for the amplifier or the RED-CAT will help protect the components.

*Check this out!*

Periscope is an app that lets you broadcast live video to the world! Going live will instantly notify your followers (integrates with Twitter) who can join and comment. Teachers could allow their students to broadcast with other students/and or parents as followers. Set up a virtual field trip and others can join! Click [here](#) for more information on iTunes.

