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East Grand Forks
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Master Technology Plan 2005 – 2007

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Classroom Technology - Goals, Objectives, and Strategies

FY07

A college-wide employee team dedicated to making recommendations for the continuous improvement of classroom instructional technology.
Updated 5/12/06

| GOAL: #1 | Enhance instruction through use of technology and optimal classroom configuration. | Responsible Team/Ind. | Resources | Timeline | Measurable Outcome |
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| Objective: 1a--- | To provide faculty with necessary classroom technology. | Technology Committee and Classroom sub-committee | Budget funds, faculty input | Ongoing | Classrooms and labs identified through faculty survey equipped and wired to meet faculty needs |
| Strategies: | 1a1 - Utilize faculty survey to assess and prioritize classroom technology needs. Communicate desired changes to ITS or appropriate staff | Technology Committee and Classroom sub-committee | Committee members, ITS | Annually | Results from Survey |
| | 1a2 - Work with faculty and various vendors as needed to keep faculty current with emerging technology | Committee and various vendors Emerging Tech Spec. | Emerging Tech Spec., Budget IT vendors | Ongoing | Recommendations |
| | 1a3 - Evaluate current classroom environments for use of technology | | | | |
| | 1a4 - Work with administration to leverage funds for classroom technology priorities | Committee and appropriate administrators | Business office for available funds to be leveraged | Ongoing | Budget Expenses |
| | 1a5 - Maintain recycling/replacement plan for projectors, other classroom technology (Master Technology Plan) | Committee | ITS, building supervisor | Annually | Recycling Plan |
| | 1a6 - Research Emerging Classroom Technology trends and ideas. | Committee, Emerging Tech Specialist | Workshops, conferences | Ongoing | New Ideas |
| Objective: 1b--- | Identify classrooms and faculty that would benefit from enhanced technology | Technology and Classroom sub-committee, Vendors | Budget, Vendors, ITS, faculty | Annually | Prioritized equipment list of classrooms and faculty that would benefit from enhanced technology. |
| Strategies: | 1b1 - Determine appropriate and affordable levels of enhanced technology available | Committee, Vendors | ITS, Vendors, budget | Annually | |

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| | 1b2 - Provide faculty with access to information about available advanced technology, such as Camtasia for D2L | Committee, Vendors | ITS | Ongoing | |
| | 1b3 - Coordinate with existing technology and faculty development groups to provide orientation to interested faculty on enhanced technology | Technology Committee and Classroom sub-committee | Emerging Tech, technology and faculty development groups, budget | Ongoing | |
| | 1b4 - Survey faculty after enhanced technology orientation about its possible use in classrooms | Committee | Sub-committee | Ongoing | |
| | 1b5 - By using survey results, develop plan with faculty for “Smart” classrooms | Committee | ITS, Committee | Ongoing | |
| Objective: 1c--- | Identify, obtain, and maintain up-to-date classroom technology for instructional use in regular classrooms, ITV rooms, and labs | Tech Committee, Chair, Classroom Sub-committee and Director of Technology | Budget, ITS | Annually | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • College Inventory Lists • Recycling Plans |
| Strategies: | 1c1 - Identify existing classroom technology in regular and ITV classrooms and labs | Committee | Sub-committee, ITS | Annually | |
| | 1c2 - Develop a process for faculty to provide input on classroom technology needs and desired upgrades | Committee | Faculty, ITS, Survey | Annually | Survey Results |
| GOAL: #2 | Enhance instruction by promoting training in emerging classroom technology trends and ideas. | Responsible Team/Ind. | Resources | Timeline | Measurable Outcome |
| Objective: 2a-- | Assess faculty training needs by survey, interview, observation, and evaluation of training requests in consultation with other faculty development and technology training committees | Technology Committee and Classroom sub-committee Emerging Tech Specialist | Faculty, ITS, other faculty development/training committees | Ongoing | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prioritized list of technology training needs • records of training opportunities • evidence of increased awareness • participation in training |
| Strategies: | 2a1 - Solicit input on classroom technology training needs | Committee | Faculty dev. Emerging Tech | Ongoing | Input |
| | 2a2 - Identify and meet with other faculty groups providing technology training | Committee Emerging Tech Specialist | Other faculty development training committees | Ongoing | |

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| | 2a3 - Provide input into technology training calendar | Committee Emerging Tech Spec. | Other faculty development training committees | Ongoing | Post Training calendar on the web |
| | 2a4 - Provide Classroom technology resource site on the web for tutorials and “how to” pieces, links to and from D2L Faculty Support Center | Emerging Tech Spec., Webmaster, D2L Faculty Mentor | Emerging Tech Spec., Webmaster, D2L Faculty Mentor | Ongoing | Resources on the web |

Desire2Learn (D2L)

A college-wide team dedicated to maximizing utilization of D2L (instructional management system) to enhance the student learning experience.

| GOAL #1 | Promote utilization of D2L as a learning tool. | Responsible Team/Ind. | Resources | Timeline | Measurable Outcome/Graduation |
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| Strategies: | 1a. Conduct hands-on training sessions on D2L features and other course management tools for beginners, intermediate, and advanced users. | D2L Trainers D2L Site Admin D2L Tech Support | D2L manual, handouts, web resources | On-going | Faculty utilizing D2L for course development, Training Evaluations |
| | 1b. Offer and conduct D2L training sessions by department. | D2L Trainers D2L Site Admin D2L Tech Support | D2L manual, handouts, web resources | On-going | Faculty utilizing D2L for course development, Training Evaluations |
| | 1c. Update and manage local Faculty Support Center in D2L. | | D2L manual, handouts, web resources | On-going | Faculty utilizing and contributing to Faculty Support Center |
| | 1d. Post D2L support and contact information. | D2L Trainers D2L Site Admin D2L Tech Support | | On-going | Faculty utilizing support personnel |
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| GOAL #2 | Enhance student learning opportunities by utilizing D2L as a course management tool. | Responsible Team/Ind. | Resources | Timeline | Measurable Outcome/Graduation |
| Strategies: | 2a. Develop an intro to D2L course. | D2L Site Admin D2L Trainers D2L Tech Support | Other D2L sites who have already started | Summer 2006 | Course exits Decreased student questions Decreased faculty orientation time |
| | 2b. Offer hands-on student training sessions. | D2L Site Admin D2L Trainers D2L Tech Support Faculty IT Support Staff | Certificates of Attendance Sign in Sheets | Before semester starts and 1 st 2 weeks of semester | Increased student knowledge Decreased faculty questions Decreased faculty orientation time |
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| GOAL #3 | Promote a team approach by integrating the talents and skills of ITS and faculty trainers to maximize D2L support. | Responsible Team/Ind. | Resources | Timeline | Measurable Outcome/Graduation |

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| Strategies: | 3a. Conduct monthly D2L subcommittee team meetings. | D2L Chair and Committee members | Polycom ITV | Once a month | Meetings held on schedule. |
| | 3b. Attend D2L Annual Conference | D2L Site Admin D2L Trainers D2L Tech Support D2L Committee members | College wide budget | 1 st week in August | Increased knowledge of product Increased networking among other users Report to committee |
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| GOAL #4 | Increase the number experienced D2L faculty to provide peer support. | Responsible Team/Ind. | Resources | Timeline | Measurable Outcome/Graduation |
| Strategies: | 4a. Offer Round Table sessions. | D2L Trainers | D2L Users | Bi-monthly | Faculty "show-casing" their D2L courses |
| | 4b. Faculty mentoring within department. | D2L Trainers | D2L Users | | |
| | 4c. Quick Start guides to set up a D2L course. | D2L Site Admin D2L Trainers D2L Tech Support | Examples from other colleges. Experienced faculty input. | Fall 2006 | Documents produced. |
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Technology Infrastructure – Goals, Objectives, and Strategies

FY07

An employee team dedicated to researching and recommending future direction for technology infrastructure for the college.

Updated 3/27/06

| GOAL: #1 | To provide adequate internal and external bandwidth to the College. | Responsible Team/Ind. | Resources | Timeline | Measurable Outcome |
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| Objective: 1a---- | Provide an adequate external connection to the Internet | | | | |
| Strategies: | 1a1 - Work with MnScu to ensure external data line is sufficient for our needs 1a2 - Monitor bandwidth use for levels above 50% consumption | ITS Staff, MnSCU IT Staff | MnScu | Ongoing | Adequate bandwidth is provided with enough for future growth. |
| Objective: 1b---- | Mentor and enforce appropriate use of Computer Technology policies to maximize college network bandwidth. | | | | |
| Strategies: | 1b1 - Educate students/employees regarding appropriate use of computer technology. 1b2 - Research and potentially implement strategies to develop virus removal and other malicious files from student computers. | ITS Staff, Scott Foss | ITS Staff Open Source software | Ongoing | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Network outages due to bandwidth consumption (caused by viruses/undesired use is kept to a minimum. • Available bandwidth for intended use. |
| Objective: 1c---- | Maximize college network resources. | | | | |
| Strategies: | 1c1 - Attempt to ensure that all computers have current and adequate Antivirus Software. 1c2 - Attempt to ensure that all computers are up-to-date with their OS Patches (Windows Updates) 1c3 - Continuous monitoring of network for | ITS | Antivirus Software, Windows Updates | Ongoing | Fewer infected computers |

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| | infected computers and quick removal from network. 1c4 - Monitor and remove illegal downloads and file-sharing. | | | | |
| Objective: 1d---- | Provide hardware and wiring to provide adequate bandwidth. | | | | |
| Strategies: | 1d1 - Maintain minimum of 100Mbps to the desktop, 54Mbps for wireless, and Gigabit for the backbone. 1d2 – Update and improve closet Wire management. 1d2.1 - Relocate switch closets 1d2.2 - Secure closets | ITS Staff | Budget | Ongoing | Adequate bandwidth is provided with additional bandwidth for future growth. |
| GOAL: #2 | To ensure network data integrity and safety. | Responsible Team/Ind. | Resources | Timeline | Measurable Outcome |
| Objective: 2a---- | Back-up all data stored on servers. | | | | |
| Strategies: | 2a1 – Perform daily backups of servers. | IT Staff | Budget Backup Exec | Ongoing | All data is backed up. |
| Objective: 2b---- | Keep all data on servers safe from viruses. | | | | |
| Strategies: | 2b1 - Run Antivirus software on each server, with scheduled scans (currently done weekly on Sundays). 2b1.1 - Renew yearly maintenance agreement and license for antivirus software for college owned computers. | Director of Technology | Budget Antivirus Software | Ongoing | Servers are protected from viruses, resulting in fewer opportunities for data or individual computers to become infected or damaged. |
| | 2b2 - Provide free Antivirus software for all students and employee computers. 2b2.2 - Renew yearly maintenance agreement and license for antivirus software for students computers. 2b3 - Provide information about safe computing to help educate users about viruses. | ITS Staff, Director of Technology, Emerging Tech | Tech Fee Budget, Budget, Antivirus Software | Ongoing | Fewer opportunities for data or individual computers to become infected or damaged. |

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| | 2b4 - Scan all inbound and outbound email for viruses. Block certain file attachment types that are known to be used by viruses via email. 2b4.4 - Renew yearly maintenance agreement and license for GWAVA. | Director of Technology, Scott Foss | Budget GWAVA | Ongoing | Viruses, and other malicious files, attached to email are blocked. |
| | 2b5 - Remove infected computers from the network as quickly as possible. | ITS Staff | ITS Staff | Ongoing | Fewer opportunities for viruses to spread. |
| Objective: 2c---- | Ensure stable environment for all “mission critical equipment.” | | | | |
| Strategies: | 2c1 - Provide adequate ventilation (A/C) in server room (MDF) and wiring closets (IDFs) to prevent overheating. | ITS Staff, Maint Staff | Budget | Ongoing Rview | Servers and networking equipment are kept from overheating, lessening the chance of equipment failure or shorter life span. |
| | 2c3 - Provide adequate power requirements for equipment, to include backup power via UPS or backup generator. | ITS Staff, Maint Staff | Budget Electrician | Ongoing Review | ITS Staff has enough time to properly shutdown servers in the event of a power failure, resulting in fewer opportunities for data corruption due to an immediate loss in power. |
| | 2c4 - Stay informed of any security vulnerabilities and patches that may be needed. | ITS Staff | Workshops, conferences | Ongoing | Limit opportunities of exploiting vulnerabilities in operating systems of servers and desktops, along with other network equipment. |
| | 2c5 - Ensure MDF and IDFs are secure. 2c5.1 - Locked doors to rooms. 2c5.2 - Locked cabinets for racks in “unsecured” areas. 2c5.3 - Security camera’s as needed. | ITS Staff, Maint Staff | Budget Maintenance | Ongoing | Prevent unauthorized personal from gaining access to the network equipment. |
| Objective: 2d---- | Ensure wireless data integrity and operation | | | | |

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| Strategies: | 2d1 – Provide security via authentication and encryption for wireless network. | IT Staff | MnSCU Wireless Policy & Procedure | Ongoing | Wireless network is available to students and employees. With employee's having a secure, encrypted connection. |
| | 2d2 – Provide adequate wireless coverage. | | Budget Occasional survey of wireless coverage and signal strength. | | Coverage and signal strength is adequate for requested areas. |
| GOAL: #3 | To continually review infrastructure related documentation for accuracy. | Responsible Team/Ind. | Resources | Timeline | Measurable Outcome |
| Objective: 3a---- | Review the Infrastructure Technology Plan at least twice per school year. | | | | |
| Strategies: | 3a1 - Review once during Fall Semester, and once during Spring Semester. | Infrastructure Committee | Action Plan and inventory | Ongoing/Fall and Spring | Action Plan is kept current. |
| Objective: 3b---- | Maintain a well documented inventory of network hardware for infrastructure planning. | | | | |
| Strategies: | 3b1 - Keep a centralized spreadsheet/database for all equipment. List of items that should be tracked: 3b1.1 - Model number 3b1.2 - Serial number 3b1.3 - Purchase date 3b1.4 - Contract number 3b1.5 - Asset number 3b1.6 - Location (site and room) 3b1.7 - Device name 3b1.8 - IP address 3b1.9 - MAC address | Director of Technology, Scott Foss, ITS Staff | Spreadsheet | Ongoing | An accurate list of all network equipment is available. |
| | 3b2 - Maintain spare devices in case of equipment failure. | Director of Technology, Scott Foss | Budget | Ongoing | Rapid replacement of failed equipment. |

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| | 3b3 – Maintain Network Hardware Inventory Recycle Program 3b3.1 - 5 year recycle program on switches. 3b3.2 - 4 year recycle program on servers. 3b3.3 – 8 year recycle program on core switches | Director of Technology, Sue Dalager | Budget | Ongoing | Equipment is up-to-date |
| | 3b4 - Renew yearly Cisco Maintenance agreement | Director of Technology | Budget | Annually | Equipment is covered on Maintenance agreements |
| | 3b5 - Create and maintain network maps. | Scott Foss | Diagramming Software | Ongoing | An accurate list and map of all network equipment is available. |
| GOAL: #4 | Ensure use of up-to-date and stable desktop systems and software. | Responsible Team/Ind. | Resources | Timeline | Measurable Outcome |
| Objective: 4a---- | Conduct ongoing exploration of desktop operating systems and software. | | | | Stay current with operating systems and software |
| Strategies: | 4a1 - Review Operating Systems that are being developed and what is being sold on new computers. 4a2 - Coordinate with each campus Technology Committee for software packages such as Office. | ITS Staff | Software | Ongoing | Current software and operating systems on news and existing computers |

Professional Development and Technology Utilization

FY06

A college-wide employee team committed to maximizing employee use of technology by offering on-campus professional development opportunities, and making recommendations for continuous improvement of technology utilization.

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| GOALS: #1 | Promote employee professional development to maximize technology utilization. | Responsible Team/Ind. | Resources | Timeline | Measurable Outcome |
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| Strategies: | 1a1 - Secure input regarding technology training and resources. | Emerging Tech | Survey Email | Ongoing | Training Sessions |
| | 1a2 - Conduct hands-on Byte of Technology employee training sessions. | Emerging Tech | -Library Class -Laptop Cart -Computer labs | -Bi-monthly training - Emails as needed | Employee training evaluations Attendance records at sessions Punchcard program |
| | 1a3 - Provide short-informative technology tips via e-mail and the web | Emerging Tech | -College Web -GroupWise | -On-going /weekly | Emails sent as needed Publish in Pioneer |
| | 1a4 - Develop "Frequently Asked Questions" section on the college website for employee access. | Emerging Tech Webmaster D2L Faculty trainers Karleen D Web Committee | Webmaster Faculty/Staff | -On-going | Create section on Web Incorporate a "Hit" counter on "Frequently Asked Questions" section Feedback on utilization of source |
| | 1a5 - Encourage and promote employee use of the Technology training request resource | Emerging Tech | Emerging Tech -GroupWise -College Web | Ongoing | Track number of e-mails received regarding technology training requests. Create a centralized location for receiving Technology training requests |
| | 1a6 – Research new and emerging technologies that could be used by employees. | Emerging Tech Users group? IT staff Faculty/Staff | Emerging Tech Faculty/Staff IT employees | Ongoing | Initiate dialogue among users each semester Brainstorm and recommend new technologies to purchase on a trial basis. |
| | 1a7 – Research an incentive program in conjunction with the Testing Center to promote outside training opportunities. | Jennifer Sundberg Kristina K | Testing center ACT Online courses | Spring semester | Recommendations to the subcommittee |

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| | 1a8 - Monthly contact and reminders to division/department heads regarding technology needs of the department and training available. | Emerging Tech Division Chairs | GroupWise | Implement Summer Session - Ongoing Monthly | Response through e-mail from division/department heads. Training sessions will be setup based on requests. |
| GOAL: #2 | Coordinate/Cooperate with other professional development efforts at Northland and in the MnSCU system. | Responsible Team/Ind. | Resources | Timeline | Measurable Outcome |
| Strategies: | 2a1 – Coordinate with other entities to create a master calendar of all college professional development activities available to employees each semester. | Emerging Technology Specialist CTL reps D2L faculty reps | | On-going | Create a master calendar that is updated as needed with new activities. |
| | 2a2 – Meet with the faculty D2L training representatives and CTL representatives each semester to schedule training sessions. | Emerging Technology Specialist CTL reps D2L faculty reps | | Prior to each semester On-going | Scheduled training sessions for semester with varied activities. |
| | 2a3 – Advertise/disseminate technology related training opportunities to employees that are offered through MnSCU. | CTL reps D2L faculty reps Emerging Tech | | On-going | Include activities in master calendar Emails to employees with information. |
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| GOAL: #3 | Maximize and improve the use of ITV /Video Conference technology for college-wide instruction and communication. | Responsible Team/Ind. | Resources | Timeline | Measurable Outcome |
| Strategy: | 3a1 - Maintain image-based instructions for both Poly-Comm and ITV. | Holly Deschene David Olsen Terry Wiseth | -Create and update ITV Employee Handbook for each campus | On-going | Faculty/Staff Evaluation of Training Poly-comm Documents are completed Maintain handbook and update as needed through yearly review of documents |

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| | 3a2 – Maintain and update laminated cards with quick instructions for ITV and Poly-Comm located in classrooms. | Emerging Tech | -Digital image diagrams of ITV consoles | On-going | -Solicited feedback from employees. -Final ITV and Poly-Comm documents for distribution to employees, posted in ITV rooms and posted to college website |
| | 3a3 – Continually research /review additional Poly-Comm setup and bandwidth needed for campus communications. | ITS | -Dave Olson and ITS staff | - On-going research on additional equipment and bandwidth | Purchase 2 nd complete unit for EGF 2 nd Unit purchased for TRF |
| | 3a4 - Conduct Training for employees on the technical aspect of ITV delivery and Poly-Comm use. | Emerging Tech | Emerging Tech Training Documents ITS Staff | Every semester | Training Sessions Employee Evaluations Training Attendance Rosters |
| | 3a5 - Research “New” and “Innovative” delivery technologies in education. | Emerging Tech | -Employees -ITV admins from other schools -Jeff Sinks - Crookston | -On-going research technology | Research recommendations and take to larger committee. |

Student Technology Access (College) – Goals, Objectives, and Strategies

FY07

A student majority team dedicated to maximizing student technology utilization and to make recommendations regarding expenditure of student technology fee (MnSCU Policy 5.11.1). Updated 3/31/06

| GOAL: #1 | To improve student access to technology. | Responsible Team/Ind. | Resources | Timeline | Measurable Outcome |
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| Objective: 1a----- | To provide NCTC students with access to a computer. | Student Tech Com | Student Tech Fee | Continuous based on need | Accomplished areas |
| Strategies: | 1a1- Provide student technology centers for student utilization of high tech equipment in an open computer environment. | Student Tech Com | Student Tech Fee | Continuous based on need 3 yr/recycling plan | Cyber areas completed on an annual basis |
| | 1a2- Make all computer labs and the library a networking priority for the college. | Student Tech Com | Student Tech Fee | Ongoing | Issues resolved immediately |
| | 1a3- Make instructional networks the first priority for trouble shooting upon network failure. | ITS Staff | Infrastructure | Ongoing | Network robust |
| | 1a4- Develop procedures and a mechanism to replace/repair student laptop and lab computers. | Student Tech Com ITS Staff | ITS Staff 3 yr/recycling plan | Current | Ongoing for the year/continuous |
| | 1a5- Prepare information for students wishing to purchase a computer and/or software at an educational discount. | Student Tech Com | Available thru bookstore/link from web | Ongoing | Dell/Gateway Premier Services In Place Premier Microsoft in place. |

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| | 1a6- Offer a mechanism where students can check-out notebook computers. | ITS | Student Tech Fee | In Place | Library checkout laptops available for daily, weekly or semester rental on each campus |
| | 1a7- Provide students computer to access online registration | ITS | Student Tech Fee | In Place | Provided 2 stations in front receptionist area |
| | 1a8-Provide EGF students access to a computer lab to limit unnecessary laptop purchases. | ITS Administration | Room 236 Budget for Furniture | Summer/Fall 2006 | Multi-purpose computer lab/classroom available for instruction and open student access |
| Objective: 1b--- | To Provide students remote or off campus access to technology | ITS | | Ongoing | |
| Strategies: | 1c1- Provide computer access to students at remote locations | ITS | Student Tech Fee | In Place/Ongoing | Areas provided on an annual basis |
| | 1c2- Provide off campus access to E-mail, printing, chat, news, network folders, and team sharing. | ITS | Student Tech Fee | In place Server purchased FY05 | Provide access to a portal by using Virtual Office |
| | 1c3- To provide all NCTC students with a Network, email, virtual office and D2L account | ITS | Student Tech Fee | In Place | All students have login account/network folder/e-mail account created automatically by scripts imported from ISRS |
| | 1c4- Provide wireless access point locations on TRF campus and maintain coverage in EGF | Student Tech Com | Student Tech Fee | Ongoing | College-wide Wireless access available and meeting security standards |

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| | 1c5- Provide technical support for implementing and maintaining the system. | ITS Staff | | In Place | |
| GOAL: #2 | To enhance the use of educational technology for NCTC students. | Responsible Team/Ind. | Resources | Timeline | Measurable Outcome |
| Objective: 2a--- | To provide extended hours for computer access and technical support | ITS | TRF Student Tech Fee/ 2 positions \$10.00 per hour EGF FY07 replace with permanent ITS1 in EGF library | Current | New position in EGF library provides ITV and extended support. TRF \$10.00 per hour positions provide evening and weekend support |
| Strategies: | 2a1- Research student demand for extended computer lab hours and ITS support | | Conducting Survey | Annually/Spring | Survey results |
| Objective: 2b--- | To provide training and technical support to students. | ITS Staff/Emerging Technology Specialist | ITS Staff partly funded out of student technology fees | Current/Available 7:30 AM-9:30 PM | In Place -Monthly training sessions |
| Strategies: | 2b1- Provide individual/group user training on network and software applications. | ITS Staff/Emerging Technology Specialist | ITS/ Orientation | As requested per individual student | In Place Training Sessions |
| | 2b2- Provide classroom training/ IT informational sessions upon request from faculty | Emerging Technology Specialist | ITS | Ongoing | Sessions completed |
| | 2b3-Research and implement policies regarding student laptop technical support. | ITS | ITS | FY06/Ongoing | Report/policy recommendation |
| Objective: 2c-- | Provide secure/comfortable access to computer labs – Monitor Sounds in TRF open labs | ITS/Security | Infrastructure | Summer 2006 | Ongoing |
| Strategies: | 2d1-Provide access to security system to appropriate personnel | ITS/Security | Infrastructure/ Student Tech Fee | In progress | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Security camera's available • Security officer walk through's p.m. |

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| GOAL: #3 | To provide students with access to electronic learning resources. | Responsible Team/Ind. | Resources | Timeline | Measurable Outcome |
| Objective: 3a--- | To equip the library on both campuses and learning center in TRF, and Accurplacer lab in EGF with adequate equipment to enhance student learning. | ITS Staff | Student Tech Fee | Ongoing | Completed as required by library personnel -3-year recycling plan |
| Strategies: | 3a1- Include these areas in the computer recycling plan. | ITS Staff | | In Place | Recycling Plan |
| Objective: 3b | College website serves as a link to electronic learning resources for utilization, both on and off campus. | Webmaster | | | College Website |
| Strategies: | 3b1- Create an ITS web page for technology resources and communications. | ITS/Webmaster | Webmaster | In place/Ongoing | Link to Gateway/Dell Premier sites |
| C. Use of Student Technology Fees | | | | | |
| GOAL: #4 | NCTC will utilize student technology fee money to maximize technology services for students. | Responsible Team/Ind. | Resources | Timeline | Measurable Outcome |
| Objective: 4a--- | Students will be active participants in Technology Subcommittee projects and discussions and will be encouraged to attend Technology Committee meetings. | | | Ongoing | Committee meeting minutes |
| Strategies: | 4a1- Encourage students to attend monthly technology meetings. | Student Tech Com | | Ongoing | Active participation from students |
| | 4a2- Label all equipment purchased with student technology fees. | ITS Staff | Labels | Ongoing | Equipment is labeled |
| | 4a3- Research Pcounter to report number of print jobs in computer labs | ITS Staff | Tech Fee | FY06 | Beta Testing |

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| | 4a4- Provide students with access to colored printing on a pay basis | ITS Staff | | FY06 | Beta Testing |
| | 4a5 – Attend Student senate meeting to provide technology updates | Director of Technology | | Ongoing | Meeting minutes |
| D. Environmental Scanning of Student Needs | | | | | |
| GOAL: #5 | To facilitate the communication process. | Responsible Team/Ind. | Resources | Timeline | Measurable Outcome |
| Objective: 5a--- | To seek student input to continuously improve technology. | Student Tech Com | Survey | Ongoing | Ongoing E-mail Student Groups |
| Strategies: | 5a1- Create a survey to gather student technology input. | Student Tech Com | | Annually/Spring | Survey Results |
| | 5a2- Provide IT orientation sessions | ITS/Emerging Technology Specialist | Handouts PowerPoint | Fall/Spring Semesters | Sessions Provided |
| | 5a3- Conduct focus group sessions | ITS | | As needed | Focus Group Notes |
| | 5a4 – Create a process to automatically e-mail students when their e-mail account is created. | ITS | Programmer | Summer 06 | Students are E-mailed technology orientation, Registration info, etc. |

College Web Committee FY07 Action Plan

A team composed of students and employees committed to continuous improvement of the college Web site, as well as making recommendations for priorities and future enhancements.

Updated 5/03/06

| GOAL #1 | Web site will enhance college-wide services through the use of technology. | Responsible Team/Individual | Resources | Timeline | Measurable Outcome |
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| Objective: 1A | Web site will be used to sell items from the bookstore. The website will be used to buy tickets for sporting and other events. | | | | |
| Strategies | 1a1 - Research and contract with vendor to provide a secure means to purchase bookstore items, and sporting events tickets. 1a2 - Choose a vendor to sell apparel online for the college. | Yvette Schneider Karla Anderson Lindsey Wangberg Scott Foss Webmaster | Money for vender, MBS Books (Distance Ed) | Summer 2006 Approved vendor April 2005 for selling apparel online. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The public will be able to buy books online from our bookstore. The public will be able to buy tickets for sporting and other events online. |
| Objective 1B | Web site will be used as a means for an online orientation for new coming students. | | | | |
| Strategies | 1b1- Student Services will develop online student orientation content for new online orientation Web site. | Student Services Webmaster | Conferences | Fall 2006 | Students will be able to access all documents and information online to carry out new student orientation. |
| Objective 1C | Web site will be used to provide online services to students. | | | | |
| Strategies | 1c1 - Provide online applications for admissions to students. 1c2 - Provide financial aid application online. 1c3 - Identify and update additional services that would benefit students in an online environment. 1c4 - Update Web FAQ section 1c5 - New A to Z Search Index Web site | Web Committee | Internal, webmaster, college web committee | Completed, but continuous improvement needed. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students will be able to apply online for admission to the college. Students will be able to obtain financial aid online. |
| Objective 1D | Web site will be used to promote community events and facility use. | | | | |
| Strategies | 1d1 - Provide online calendar of events. 1d2 - Provide online rental of the Swenson House. | Vanessa Martell Kathy Jenkins Karen Meine | | Ongoing | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The community will have access to an online a calendar of events and rental of the Swenson House |

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| Objective 1E | Use Continuous Quality measures to make improvements for an up-to-date and vibrant Web site. | | | | |
| Strategies | 1e1 – Entire NCTC Web site redesign 1e2 – Academic Program pages redesign 1e3 - Research and develop best practices. 1e4 – Director of Technology will email a request, for Web page updates to the appropriate administrators three times a year. 1e5 - Work with Marketing and Public Relations to provide consistency between the Web and printed material. 1e6 - Webmaster will conduct brainstorming sessions for online service enhancement as needed throughout the year. | Director of Technology Webmaster Web Committee Administrators | Best Practices CD. Training and workshops. | Updates done Feb, May, and October. Brainstorming sessions ongoing. Research ongoing. New design projected launch date: 07/10/06 | All web pages will be kept up to date. The college web site will be consistent with printed material. |
| GOAL #2 | Web site will enhance instruction through the use of technology. | Responsible Team/Individual | Resources | Timeline | Measurable Outcome |
| Objective 2A | Faculty will have the option develop portfolio Web Pages. | | | | |
| Strategies | 2a1 - Research current faculty for feedback on use/need of faculty/staff maintained portfolio Web sites. 2a2 - Develop Faculty/Staff resource page with link to eFolio Minnesota. Provide contact form for faculty/staff to upload their eFolio site URL to Northland web directory. | Webmaster | eFolio Minnesota. Free service through MnSCU. | Faculty & Staff resource Web site completed April 2006. Links to eFolio. | Faculty & Staff will use eFolio Minnesota to develop online portfolio Web sites. eFolio Minnesota is a free service to Northland employees provided by MnSCU. |
| Objective 2B | Web site will promote access to multiple platforms (D2L, Virtual Office, email). | | | | |
| Strategies | 2b1 – Attempt to provide access to multiple platforms (D2L, Virtual Office, NetMail) with minimal logins. | Karleen Delorme | None | Ongoing | The D2L platform for the college is accessed through the Northland's homepage. |
| Objective 2C | Library Web site Redesign | | | | |
| Strategies | 2c1 – Develop new library Web site. "One college under one umbrella feel" | Webmaster Cynthia Jorstad Milt Kinzler | None | Summer 2006 | |
| GOAL #3 | Web site will serve as a powerful tool for college marketing and public relations. | Responsible Team/Individual | Resources | Timeline | Measurable Outcome |

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| Objective 3A | Web site will offer an online version of the Academic Catalog and View Book. Develop new Web site for campus maps and virtual tours. Continue to develop and post online academic program videos. | | | | |
| Strategies | 3a1 - Discuss various methods to provide documents in a usable online format. 3a2 - Decide on best practice for NCTC's presentation of catalog and View Book online. 3a3 - Put videos online for academic programs as they are completed. | Webmaster | Student Services Strategic initiative is developing 20 program videos. | Ongoing as the videos are being developed. | The Web site will include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Admissions Material • View Book • College Catalog • Videos of Academic Programs |
| GOAL #4 | Web site will serve as a resource of internal and external communication | Responsible Team/Individual | Resources | Timeline | Measurable Outcome |
| Objective 4A | Web site will continue to provide current news and events on redesign. | | | | |
| Strategies | 4a1 - Assigned personnel within the college will input news and events into the college calendar which is displayed on the college home page. | Assigned personnel within the college. | None | Ongoing | The homepage will display three current events Archived events will be display on the news and events page. |
| Objective 4B | Web site will provide alerts for class cancellations. | | | | |
| Strategies | 4a1 - Develop an alert that will notify students of class cancellation. Integrate into new design. | Webmaster Scott Foss | None | Summer 2006 | The public will be able to access alerts for the college from the home web page. |
| Objective 4C | Web site will provide access to minutes and forms. | | | | |
| Strategies | 4c1 - All committee minutes will be forwarded to Karleen Delorme to post on Virtual Office. 4c2 - Forms will be posted on the internet for faculty to access through Virtual Office. | Karleen Delorme Webmaster | | Completed Summer 2005 | The website will provide minutes and forms for faculty on Virtual office via a password. |
| GOAL #5 | Web site will provide a sense of student community to minimize isolation and to increase retention and satisfaction. | Responsible Team/Individual | Resources | Timeline | Measurable Outcome |
| Objective 5A | Highlight student clubs with new Web site | | | | |
| Strategies | The student life area consists of 1 page. NCTC has loads of clubs that we really need to highlight and promote. Need to create a more "funky, exciting" area for each club. Develop new Student Life Web site. | Webmaster Student Services | | Fall 2006 | |
| Objective 5B | Student Placement/Employment Opportunities | | | | |

Strategies

On current Web site it is difficult to find student placement, employment opportunities and college job openings. Develop way to highlight better on new design home page. Create way for outside employers to post job openings on college Web site.

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Student Placement
Director