Technology Analysis Project W210 – Fall 2012

Scenario:

A local school corporation is planning to open up a new K-8 school. They already plan on including classroom sets of computers in their technology plan, but are unsure as to what else they should include in the new school.

They have asked your team (our class) to list and analyze to come up with suggestions and explore each suggestion in depth.

Things to keep in mind:

- The budget is not limitless, but is large enough to accommodate reasonable requests (coating the wall in iPads or SMARTBoards is not reasonable, sorry!)
- Type of Tool (is it hardware or software? Combination of both?)
- Benefits
- Potential Drawbacks
- How they can be used in and out of the classroom
- Monetary Cost
- Other Cost (Opportunity Costs, Training Costs, etc.)
- Educational Value
- What do experts say about this tool? Parents? Students? Teachers?
 Administrators?
- Many other questions!

In your presentation to the School Corporation, you will need to analyze the tool in depth according to the items listed above, as well as other factors you discover during your analysis. You will also need to come to a decision as to whether or not you would recommend this tool to the School Corporation, and justify your decision.

The School Corporation requests that each team member have an in depth analysis presentation prepared for Thursday, Sept. 13, 2012. This can be any presentation method of your choosing (PowerPoint, Prezi, Keynote, Video, etc. – there are points for creativity!)