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Fremont Public Schools



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COMPANY

Fremont Public Schools

LOCATION

Fremont, NE

INDUSTRY

Education

SERVICES

Fremont Public Schools is a Class A school district in Nebraska that comprises of seven PK - 4 schools, Fremont Middle School, Johnson Crossing Academic Center, and Fremont High School.

Fremont Public Schools serves a growing and diverse community, educating more than 4,700 students and employing 723 staff members. Students and their families benefit from the caring and accessibility of a small town combined with the big advantages of technology use.

Brent Cudly, Director of Professional Learning and Federal Programs, works with teachers to help utilize technology to enhance education. One example of this is the use of Canvas, an online class management system. Canvas connects Fremont High School students to post-secondary education.

Supporting Canvas and other technology programs at Fremont Public Schools is Great Plains Communications, which provides a 2 Gig Managed Ethernet connection to the State of Nebraska, redundant SIP trunks, and a dark fiber network connecting schools in the district.

“We’re honored to include Fremont Public Schools among the 80+ schools we serve in Nebraska. Strong education helps build stronger communities.”

JEFF MASON, SENIOR ACCOUNT EXECUTIVE
GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS

Having robust Internet service at Fremont Public Schools is critical for students and staff, as students in every grade rely on the Internet on a daily basis.

“For instance, by using ‘Skype with a Scientist’ in our classrooms, we’re able to access not only the talents of our schools’ teachers but also input from scientists, authors, and other experts in a particular field.”

BRENT CUDLY, DIRECTOR OF PROFESSIONAL LEARNING & FEDERAL PROGRAMS, FREMONT PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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In addition to valuing the products and services provided by Great Plains Communications, Cudly also appreciates the company's commitment to the customer relationship.

"I've been pleased with the attention Great Plains Communications pays to Fremont Public Schools as a customer and as a partner. We have access to high-level support, whether it's meeting in person to design a fiber build, discussing eRate procedures over the phone, or directly communicating with the Great Plains Communications Network Operations Center in case of a service outage.

When problems do arise - this is technology, so it's going to happen at times - Great Plains Communications is ready and willing to help resolve the problem and look for ways to possibly eliminate it from happening again. What's more, their employees have always been willing to go the extra mile to help us out, even when the issue involves another vendor."

BRENT CUDLY, DIRECTOR OF PROFESSIONAL LEARNING & FEDERAL PROGRAMS, FREMONT PUBLIC SCHOOLS

THE USE OF TECHNOLOGY AT FREMONT PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Here are some examples of how Fremont Public Schools is using technology to enhance education for the students:

- HyperDocs
- Mentimeter
- Google Classroom
- White Board Table
- Seesaw Platform
- Black and Gold Media
- 3D Printers/3D CAD System
- CorelDraw Software
- Digital Calipers
- Learning Through Play
- Computer Programming Software
- MIT App Inventor
- Augmented Reality (AR)

