

Tech Center Newsletter ~ Winter 2002

Pekin Public School District 108



Connected Illinois

The State of Illinois has purchased Connected Illinois 2003 from Classroom Connect for every district in the state. On Tuesday December 3rd, Sheila Watson and Angie Arnold attended training offered by the Area 3 Learning Technology Hub. Information from the training will be shared with everyone in the Tech Integration Class of the PDA and the Learning Center Teachers in January. Look for more information on this wonderful resource!



Digital Video Editing

Are you interested in learning more about digital video editing? Sign up now for training at the Tech Center. We will cover the basics of editing digital video with Pinnacle Studio 8 ~ software and cameras are available in every building. Call Becky at ext. 1042 if you are interested in more information!

Choose from one of the following sessions:
Thursday, January 9th ~ 3:30 - 4:30 pm
Tuesday, January 14th ~ 3:30 - 4:30 pm.

Technical Problems?

Phones, computers, and peripherals ~
visit our website at:
<http://irm.pekin.net/>
to report your
problems.

New Mail Server

A new mail server has been installed and currently is undergoing testing and final configuration. Assuming everything goes well, all mail accounts will be moved over to the new mail server during Christmas Break.

Along with increased storage, the mail server will offer the following:

New Web Mail Program (SquirrelMail)

- Folder Preferences - Change the way your folders are displayed and manipulated.
- Message Filters - Filtering enables messages with different criteria to be automatically filtered into different folders for easier organization.
- Message Highlighting - based on given criteria, incoming messages can have different background colors in the message list. This helps to easily distinguish who the messages are from, especially useful for mailing lists.
- Index Order - The order of the message index can be rearranged and changed to contain the headers in any order you want.
- Display Preferences - You can change the way that SquirrelMail looks and displays information to you, such as the colors, the language, and other settings.
- Address Book import/export.
- All folders are searchable.
- No more weird screen problems with older versions of Netscape.
- Accessible via SSL (secure connection)

New Improved SpamAssassin

- Better Analysis Techniques.
- Ability for personal customization of the filter rules.
- All tagged messages can be kept on the mail server and will be automatically deleted after 5 days.

