



**Capitol Region Educational Technology Leadership Cohort**  
**November 13, 2020**  
**12:00 – 2:00**  
**Zoom**

**Meeting Notes**

**iSchool Initiative Summit (Travis Allen Presentation)**

- Overview
- Escape the Bus
- Additional Services

**BESTNet Update**

The SECC Board met and approved the upgrade for equipment with a 5 years of service contract. The option selected by the Board will keep some funds in the account as a backup in case of emergency.

**Cybersecurity**

The County Education Offices recently had an incident where someone hacked into a trusted employee's email and sent out a document to high level employees. It was concerning how many people tried to open the spam, their reasoning was they knew the sender. The hacker also created a folder and rule so any responses to the document went to another folder and the hacker was able to respond. Once you requested access to the document you were asked for credentials and the document never came through.

Jerry Jones seriously recommends having two factor authentication. Jones asked if districts are interested in having a walk-through of how-to setup two factor authentication in Office 365 and requested if someone who uses Google could walk others through how to do that.

Most districts already have this implemented in some way or have plans of doing so soon. The biggest challenge is getting staff members on board, especially when they are used to only using one. It is also difficult to get Superintendents to understand the importance of the extra security. The cohorts said it would be helpful to have something from the county explaining the need for two factor authentication.

SCOE does two factor authentication for all employees. Jones thinks they made be the only ones in the county. It did take time to convince Cabinet how important security is and what the risks were.

CIS Controls & New Framework – Attached to email.

### **School Opening Status**

David Stone (Folsom Cordova) – All elementary schools came back yesterday, since they are open they can stay open. High Schools were supposed to open in January but given the current situation this may not happen. 50% of elementary students did come back for the am/pm schedule.

Tony Ham (Roseville High) – Schools that were open can stay open. Teachers had expected to continue teaching the way they were on ZOOM, just with some students in the classroom. But the Board expected in person education to look like. The district ended up using COVID relief funds for wireless classroom microphones for every classroom. Also provided PTZ cameras for any teacher that was interested. The district is having a few challenges with the amount of ZOOM sessions that are happening on site, bandwidth is not creating a problem it's the firewall.

### **Roundtable Sharing**

Bob Lyons (Sac City) – There is a lot going on at the district. The district is looking at Inform K-12 as a document system but would prefer a system that does everything. Other districts are using Inform K-12 and have to use other systems in addition. Sac City is also looking at new firewalls, will most likely use E-Rate. Folsom is also looking at new firewalls through E-Rate.