

Stages of Technology Adoption

Schools across the globe are going through a growth spurt of sorts, which is both painful and unavoidable. I'm talking, of course, about technology integration. Maybe your class is using a COW (Computer on Wheels) cart once a week or maybe every student in your school is suddenly holding an iPad and administrators are throwing around the dreaded phrase "going paperless." Whatever the level of technology integration, we all seem to be in some state of transition toward new technology at any given time. https://bit.ly/35OmV7Q

The painful truth, though, is that no matter how many professional development sessions we receive or how many tools we are given, many adults struggle to adapt to new technology. We approach the new school year fully aware that our students will hack the media and turn it to their own deviant uses before we as teachers even learn to turn the device on. The solution to this problem is simple. It's time to take a page from our students' playbook. We need to jump quickly over the hurdles of trepidation, fear, and distrust, in order to come out ahead in the technology race.