

# Technology changing face of education assignment

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Academy, the face of education is changing. Paper textbooks are all but gone. Fingers replace pencils when taking notes. Halfway through the first year of classes, students and teachers alike marvel at the differences to other schools. “ We built these soda bottle rockets and launching them, I think that’s the closest we ever got to doing something like this,” said freshman Eric Reilly. Every student and teacher has a pad. They are used for textbooks, art projects, even in gym class. The technology allows for new forms of classroom interaction. Have some students who are a little more shy than others, and it’s fantastic to be able to answer their questions via e-mail while I’m simultaneously answering another student’s question. In class,” said English teacher Trestle Norton. Even days off are productive. “ My friend’s sick right now, and he’ll “ peacetime” me to see what’s going on in the classroom so he can take notes,” Reilly said. The new take on education is not lost on students or staff. “ It’s not like any other school that I’ve taught at. ” Norton said. This is the first time I’ve been in a school that is technology based,” said freshman Trenton Covington.

He feels having the technology helps students appreciate their education more. “ They’ve got a better understanding about how precious your education is based on using these pads. ” The tablets were made possible through donations by two local organizations. Randy Boyd of Radio Systems contributed 100 pads, Oak Ridge Associated Universities donated \$25, 000 to buy additional devices. The school’s principal, Becky Ashes, said putting the technology and internet access in students’ hands has revolutionized their learning experience. That old barrier of ‘ I don’t have access to the Internet outside of school’, it’s been taken away,” she said. They have the free

access, and now they have the tool to access that with. It tore down all those barriers, all those excuses, and it's resulted in The school will showcase the first semester of student work Tuesday night from 5: 30 p. M. To 7: 30 p. M. Students will demonstrate the various projects and assignments they've completed using their pads and other technology.