



*****INVITATION*****

MEDIA, PARENTS & GUARDIANS, PUBLIC OFFICIALS & COMMUNITY LEADERS

ASD HIGH SCHOOLS “FLIP THE SWITCH” FOR CLASSROOMS FOR THE FUTURE

DATE/TIME:	Tuesday, April 14
12:30-1:30pm	William Allen High School, 126 N. 17 th Street
2:00-3:00pm	Louis E. Dieruff High School, 815 N. Irving Street

BRIEFLY: On Tuesday, April 14, ASD educators will “Flip The Switch” to officially launch Governor Rendell’s Classrooms for the Future Program (CFF) at William Allen and Dieruff High Schools. This three-year initiative offers grants to Pennsylvania high schools not only to equip ASD classrooms with enhanced technology but also to train approximately 90 teachers to implement this technology into the curriculum, transforming the way teachers teach and students learn.

The showcase event will begin at William Allen High School at 12:30 p.m. and move to Louis E. Dieruff High School at 2:00 p.m., and will conclude at 3:00 p.m. Each school will present a short program followed by guided classroom tours where visitors will observe the technology in action. Administrators, public officials, ASD board members, Education 2010!, Intermediate Unit 21 mentors, local college presidents, and the media have been invited to witness firsthand how technologies such as MacBooks and interactive white boards enhance learning for Allentown School District’s 5,508 high school students.

Classrooms for the Future initiative is designed to engage and inspire ASD’s students and provide them with the 21st Century skills needed to compete and succeed in a global economy beyond graduation. In the 2007-2008 school year, approximately 44 classrooms were equipped with computers and carts, electronic whiteboards, multi-media speakers, projectors, and printers through a \$1,730,875 CFF grant. During 2008-2009, a \$320,008.00 grant allowed another 8 classrooms to be equipped. CFF coaches and principals will “Flip The Switch” and showcase how these funds have been deployed to expand the curriculum beyond school walls, to create global learning and to increase team collaboration among students and teachers.

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