

2009 Educational Technology Conference Documentary Transcription

[Shots of the Conference exhibit hall and concourse]

[Announcer, Sara Shookman, student WOSU Media Center and Student Documentary Team Member, walks towards camera]

Announcer: "Welcome to the 11th Annual eTech Ohio Educational Technology Conference, where eTech Ohio connects education with technology."

[Interviewing teachers on the concourse]

"I'm always surprised that there's something new. I mean I know Tech is always new, but year after year you're kind of on top of things – and every year when I come in I'm surprised, you know the new terms, the new tools, new things we're looking at and what's coming down the road." Don Dudding, Educator with Southern Local Schools

[Views of Student and teacher displays at the Conference]

Announcer voice-over: "Ohio connects with eTech Ohio. Urban, suburban and rural K-20, there truly is something for everybody."

[Interviewing teachers on the concourse]

"It gives me a lot of inspiration and good ideas to take back to my home school and hopefully help people." Kimberly Depue, educator, Marietta City Schools

"There's more here, more hands-on things and more fun." Shakeyrah Elmore, Student, Columbus Afrocentric High School

[Interviewing eTech Ohio Commission's Interim Executive Director and Chairman on the Concourse]

"People come here, they're energized and excited about the possibilities for education. I think one of the things I want them to take away from this Conference is that technology and educational technology is going to play a critical role." David Barber, Interim Executive Director, eTech Ohio Commission

"This is a moment of true reform in Ohio, of real opportunity to build the single educational system that meets our students' needs and this Conference is the cornerstone of that." Eric Fingerhut, Chairman, eTech Ohio Commission

[Announcer, walking in front of the Ohio on iTunes U booth]

Announcer: "Here eTech Ohio is connecting Ohio on Ohio iTunes U. This new media platform provides hundreds of podcasts, featuring educational resources, best practices and sample work of students across the state. Power on and you've got a world of educational content at your fingertips. Produced

by administrator, public broadcasters to enhance the higher education and K-12 communities. Connecting Ohio with a single click.”

[Announcer, interviewing visitors to the Ohio on iTunes U booth]

“It’s got games and everything and those are the things that kids really enjoy. You know the interactive stuff. They don’t want to sit there and look at it; they want to interact with this stuff.” Sue McDaniel, Teacher, Oberlin City Schools

[Animated Screen]

Announcer voice-over: “Ohio Connects Administrators. eTech Ohio Conference gives administrators the tools they need for the future. A world of new technology and learning threads lets administrators plan for a comprehensive K-20 educational system.”

“My kids grew up digitally, I didn’t. We have to go where they are.” Wayne Babcanec, 2009 Technology Administrator of the Year

[Interviewing Superintendent of Public Instruction, Ohio Department of Education on the Conference Concourse]

“Figure out the tools that the kids use on a routine basis - from their cell phones to their iPods and how those can be incorporated into the learning process. I think we get too afraid of what they are doing with those technology and I think that instead of doing that we need to focus on the positives like how do we incorporate that into learning.” Deborah Delisle, Superintendent of Public Instruction, Ohio Department of Education

[Announcer interviewing the 2009 Technology Administrator of the Year]

“[eTech Ohio Educational Technology Conference is] The idea factory. This Conference is where we come to for ideas. Most of our technological innovations have had their genesis here at eTech.” Wayne Babcanec, 2009 Technology Administrator of the Year

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Announcer voice-over: “Ohio Connects Educators. eTech Ohio Conference lets educators share with each other. Armed with Professional Development, educators are ready and prepared for the front lines.”

[Views of the STEM Robotics Challenge]

[Announcer interviewing the 2009 Technology Teacher of the Year]

“Technology is the key to creating new thoughts and new jobs here in Ohio. Ohio is one of the leaders, one of the states leading the charge in that field.” Jeff Vanarhem, 2009 Technology Teacher of the Year, Olmstead Falls City Schools

“The key to technology is to relate to the students because that’s all they know and use is technology, so we have to know how to use it.” Shanaka Horner, Educator, Marietta City Schools

[Views of the Keynote Speaker Wesley Fryer]

Announcer voice-over: “But it’s not just the technology says keynote speaker, Wesley Fryer, but how we use it.”

“Technology didn’t make that teacher great. It’s the way in which they knew us and they challenged us and they knew content and they encouraged us makes them a great teacher.” Wesley Fryer, eTech Ohio Conference Keynote Speaker

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Announcer voice-over: “Ohio Connects Technology Specialists. eTech Ohio Conference trains technology specialists with the latest and greatest so they can bring that expertise home to their community ”

[Announcer interviewing the 2009 Technology Specialist of the Year]

“Preparing the students to do all the things that we’re talking about: Communicate, collaborate use new technology and hopefully it will challenge and create students who are well-prepared and will stay in the state and that’s going make a big difference for all of us.” Mary Ann Guidos, 2009 Technology Specialist of the Year

[STEM Robotics Challenge Awards Ceremony]

“Congratulations! Where’s Highland? Come on up, Highland!” – Runners-up of the 2009 eTech Ohio Educational Technology Conference STEM Robotics Challenge

[STEM Robotics Challenge Wining Team]

“We just won, and we built this robot. It’s pretty crazy!” First place team 2009 STEM Challenge

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Announcer Voice-over: “Ohio Connects Public Broadcasters. eTech Ohio Conference creates a network of public broadcasters and other educational content providers, for all Ohioans. ”

“I can’t wait to get home! I want to check some of these out and put things out there.” Scott Forbes, Educator, Akron Public Schools

“It’s all about the future.” Mark VanGilder, Educator, Akron City Schools

[Shots of the Stem Challenge and Teacher Displays]

Announcer Voice-over: “Ohio students are using technology for education right here at the eTech Ohio Conference. 10 teams from around the buckeye state are using Science, Technology, Engineering and

Mathematics skills for robotics. Students participating in the Video Contest will use the big screen to tell a story.”

“It’s not all about the books and stuff – we’ve got our hands on this stuff and there are other things out there in the world that you can do.” Don James, Student, Columbus Afrocentric School

[Shots of the Second Life Theater]

Announcer Voice-over: “A new virtual world exists around the corner in the 3-D Second Life Lab. And other educators are working with the Ohio Center on Autism and Low Incidence (OCALI) to do it to bring technology to disability education.”

[Interviews with Mr. Barber and Mr. Fingerhut again]

“They don’t necessarily come [to the Conference] to see eTech Ohio, they come to see each other and to work with each other to solve their problems.” David Barber, Interim Executive Director, eTech Ohio Commission

“To share the excitement of a student-centered learning environment in which technology plays a key role in helping them to pursue passions that they might never have known about otherwise.” Eric Fingerhut, Chairman, eTech Ohio Commission

[Announcer walks towards the camera in the Grand Ballroom, towards a seat]

Announcer: “Ohio Connects at the eTech Ohio Educational Technology Conference. Now it’s time to get those ideas back to school. Don’t forget to return next year for the twelfth Annual Educational Technology Conference. We’re saving a seat for you.”