



*Dear LCC Families,*

*It was a great pleasure to teach your child technology this year. I am blessed to teach a subject that the kids enjoy so much and I am so proud of how much they learned and accomplished this year.*

*With summer quickly approaching, I thought it would be a good time to send out a list of my favorite ipad apps. Your child will be familiar with many of these as I use them during my technology classes.*

*Have a wonderful summer,*

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### **Prek-1st grade**

#### **Phonics Island- Letter recognition and phonics (\$2.99)**

Lay the basics of your child's literacy skills with this colorful, mysterious island full of phonics sounds. Children learn and have fun tracing letters, recognizing letter sounds, matching letters, and identifying beginning sounds. Embark on the adventure with adorable Abby the Monkey and her train to discover the secret of this island!

**Teach Me Toddler- (\$.99)** TeachMe: Toddler is an educational touch app which teaches six different preschool appropriate subjects: letters, abc phonics (letter sounds), numbers, shapes, colors and counting. The simple and intuitive user interface is designed to be toddler friendly, which allows children to play without help from an adult. An animated teacher (Mimi Mouse) gives verbal instructions and feedback to the child which makes learning fun.

#### **Funbrain Jr.- (Free version or upgrade)**

Get your favorite Funbrain Jr. games in one mobile app! Kids can practice letter and number recognition, sequencing, patterns, letter sounds, and more. With the help of colorful and quirky Funbrain Jr. characters, kids ages 2-6 will love practicing skills in early literacy, math, and problem solving.

### **2nd-5th grade**

#### **Sushi Monster- Addition and Multiplication (Free)**

Meet Sushi Monster! Scholastic's new game to practice, reinforce, and extend math fact fluency is completely engaging and appropriately challenging. Strengthen reasoning strategies for whole number addition and multiplication by helping monsters make a target sum or product.

**Motion Math: Pizza- Economics (\$5.99)** Motion Math: Pizza! is an innovative educational app that teaches kids about basic economics. Kids get a start-up budget of \$50.00, which they can use to buy pizza ingredients. Then they open their shop and must calculate the correct prices for each customer's order. Kids learn a

valuable lesson: Running a successful business requires important math and reasoning skills to properly budget money and keep customers satisfied.

## **All Ages**

### **Epic!- Reading-(monthly or annual subscription)**

Epic! is the leading all-you-can-read eBook library for kids 12 and under offering unlimited access to over 10,000 high-quality children's books, now including thousands of read-to-me and audiobooks. Epic!'s award-winning service includes a wide variety of fiction and nonfiction books. Epic! has been called the "Netflix of kids' books" – it's an unlimited library your kids can take anywhere!

### **ToDo Math- Math (monthly or annual subscription)**

Let's go exploring with Todo Math, your child's personal math adventure. Designed and endorsed by educators, aligned to school standards, and recognized for superior game design. TODO math is for preschool to 5th grade.

### **The Foes- Coding (Monthly Subscription)**

The Foes turns programming into play for kids ages 5 and up. The game introduces computer science and programming concepts through a visual coding language that is fun and accessible to people of all ages. Using a thoughtful combination of challenging puzzles and creative play, the game uses a no-words interface designed for pre-readers and global audiences.

**Telestory- Creative play (Free)** Write, direct, and star in your own TV show with TeleStory! From the creators of Toontastic, TeleStory takes you behind the scenes to create and broadcast your own TV show! Record a music video, teleport to an alien planet, film a high-speed-chase, or perform on a reality TV show - TeleStory is a TV studio in your pocket.

**Toontastic- Creative play (Free)** Toontastic is a creative storytelling tool that empowers kids to draw, animate, narrate, and record their own cartoons – it's as easy as putting on a puppet show. With Toontastic 3D, you can draw, animate, and narrate swashbuckling adventures, breaking news stories, science reports, and all your other wacky ideas

### **Mad Libs- Parts of Speech (Free version or upgrade)**

The world's greatest word game! Fill in the blanks and be the funniest person in the room! Children as young as Kindergarten can play this word game with the help of an adult or older sibling to type in the words. Wonderful practice for the parts of speech and the kids love it!

### **Jigsaw Puzzle By Critical Hit Software- Logical thinking/spatial reasoning (Free version or upgrade)**

Sit back and relax with a jigsaw puzzle without the clean-up or the hassle of losing pieces! You'll also never need to look for those missing pieces on the floor! Jigsaw Puzzle is great for puzzlers of all ages! Simply adjust the difficulty of the puzzle for the player from 4 to 400 pieces.

### **NFL Play 60- Physical fitness (Free)**

Jump into this super cool and fun endless runner game brought to you by the National Football League and the American Heart Association. When you move, your character moves!

## **For Parents**

### **Appadvice Daily- Formerly Apps Gone Free (Free)**

Features 5-6 apps that are free for the day.



