Hickman County Schools AI Usage Report

Student AI Usage

In Hickman County Schools, we want to make sure technology is used safely and well. Right now, **NotebookLM** is the only approved AI program for students. We chose this tool because it is secure and only uses the documents that students provide themselves.

NotebookLM helps students by:

- **Focusing on their work:** Students can upload their own class notes and textbooks, so the AI gives answers based on their actual school materials.
- **Creating study aids:** It can automatically make summaries, study guides, and quizzes to help students practice.
- **Helping with complex topics:** It acts like a helper that can explain difficult ideas and help students work through their lessons.

Staff AI Usage

Teachers use a few different tools to help with their daily work and teaching. These are categorized by their primary function and AI integration level.

Furthermore, Google-based AI tools are already integrated into our existing Google Workspace environment, allowing for seamless use.

Fully AI-Powered Tools

These platforms are fully AI-driven and are used by teachers for brainstorming, drafting, and complex content generation:

- **ChatGPT:** An AI tool used to generate text, answer questions, draft emails, and brainstorm lesson ideas.

- **Gemini:** An AI assistant integrated into our Workspace, used to help teachers plan lessons, create instructional content, and analyze complex information.

Other Educational Tools (Partial AI Integration)

These platforms use AI as a helpful, supplementary feature to improve specific tasks, but they are not fully AI-powered environments:

- **NotebookLM:** Used to manage and synthesize teacher-provided documents.
- **MagicSchool:** Used for creating lesson plans and classroom materials with some AI support.
- **Canva:** Used to design graphics and presentations, with AI features for layout and creativity.
- **Brisk:** Used to help give feedback on student work and review resources, using AI to speed up the process.
- **Adobe:** Used to create and manage digital projects and designs, utilizing some AI features.

These tools are used to help save time and boost creativity, serving as effective assistants to our teaching staff.