

Potential Action Steps for Commission Resolution

Leadership Commitment

 Leadership Professional Development and Certification: For those pursuing building and district (092 and 093) certifications, ensure a component of digital instruction so administrators can properly support, coach, and evaluate teachers in current instructional best practices.

Essential Conditions for Digital Learning

- 211 Support: Reach out to the 211 program to explore opportunities to train call center staff on ways to connect residents to free and low-cost broadband, devices, and training.
- Ties to Housing Equity: Pursue opportunities to connect individuals receiving benefits through state and federal housing programs (e.g., Section 8) to make broadband free for these residents.
- Ed Tech Efficiencies: Pursue ways to review, purchase, and assess the effectiveness of digital learning tools (devices and software), perhaps using LearnPlatform, already in use by all districts.

Digital Equity

- Funding Follows Support: State agencies should fund digital navigation services in libraries when they refer residents to local libraries for technical support.
- Anchor Institutions as Digital Navigation Centers: Especially for schools, fund digital navigation programs. Consider the parallel with school-based health centers, providing services to the local community after hours in the areas of broadband access and device use.
- Incentivize Stronger Ties between Schools and Libraries: Perhaps through leadership organizations such as CABE, CAPSS, CLA, and the CSL, create frameworks for supporting students in and out of school.

Educator Supports

 Teacher Professional Development and Certification: Include technology use in teacher pre-service and other certification programs toward certification. For inservice teachers, review mandated professional development to reduce unnecessary training, providing space for teachers to build proficiency in digital learning pedagogies (e.g., Universal Design for Learning). See <u>PA 22-80</u> for reference.