



Mission Statement

The Southside Virginia Regional Technology Consortium will assist members with the acquisition and effective integration of viable current and emerging technologies and the coordination of valuable training for its students, staff and citizens designed to enhance learning and encourage economic development in Southside Virginia.

Strategic Goals and Objectives

Strategic Goal I: Staff Development

- Assess and plan staff development opportunities throughout the Southside Region.
- Coordinate staff development opportunities that support technology for teaching and learning.
- Host at least three SVRTC Summit Series events during the next five years.
- Provide opportunities for members to become aware of emerging technologies.
- Promote awareness of student data privacy.

Strategic Goal II: Public Relations

- Maintain an up-to-date website to foster awareness of the Southside Virginia Regional Technology Consortium's mission and the opportunities it offers for staff development.
- Establish an enhanced social media presence, including on Facebook and Twitter.
- Communicate information about programs, classes, workshops, and awards to stakeholders via email.
- Promote technology conferences, including VSTE and ISTE, when SVRTC members are presenting.

Strategic Goal III: Communication

- Meet monthly to share ideas and resources and to plan staff development activities and information on emerging technologies.
- Communicate and collaborate on social media, such as hosting Twitter Chats and posting on the SVRTC webpage.
- Maintain a database of products and programs (learning management systems, automated calling systems, security devices, tablets, etc.) used by SVRTC member divisions.
- Participate in technology meetings sponsored by the VDOE and messages delivered through Teams.

Strategic Goal IV: Recognition

- Promote the posting of the SVRTC Badge on the webpages of member school divisions.
- Host an annual awards banquet during which the following awards are presented:
 - *Teacher Technology Award* – Recognize one teacher from each division who has exhibited exemplary use of technology in the classroom
 - *Instructional Technology Support Award*—Recognizes one instructional support person from each division who advances a school division's technology environment through providing crucial instructional technology support.
 - *Technology Support Award*—Recognizes one technology support person from each division who advances a school division's technology environment through providing crucial technology support.

- *Technology Leadership Award* – Recognize one educator or community leader in the SVRTC area who has promoted the use of technology in the region
- *Division Leadership Award* – Recognize one school division for advancing technology in the educational setting
- Host an annual awards banquet during which the following awards are presented:

Strategic Goal V: Budget and Infrastructure

- Leverage the power of group procurement for pricing discounts whenever possible.
- Lobby and/or promote infrastructure developments that will improve broadband access in the SVRTC region.
- Seek grant funding for technology professional development, equipment, and services whenever possible.
- Promote procedures and products that protect the security and integrity of division networks (ransomware, disaster recovery, virus protection, etc.).