



### **CSD Launches Innovative eMerge Initiative**

The eMerge initiative will emphasize an early learning collaborative, a new literacy program, curriculum enhancements, personalized and blended learning, mastery learning, a comprehensive information communication and technology (ICT) curriculum, and an improved program for Career Pathways. Curriculum enhancements will include the introduction of Cambridge Primary for children ages 5 to 11, virtual learning opportunities for high school and college coursework, and increased access to world language enrichment programs even in the primary grades.

In order to implement personalized and blended learning, eMerge will involve a one-to-one learning system in which every student, even pre-kindergarten children, would have a MacBook or an iPad to use as a learning tool. Dr. Childress anticipates that this technology component of personalized learning "will create a sense of excitement, a sense of motivation" among CSD students.

"We're rolling in what has worked in the past with what is working now and what we think education needs to look like in the future," said Dr. Childress.

MS Superintendent of Education Carey Wright and Corinth's former superintendent and current chairman of the MS Board of Education, O. Wayne Gann, attended the summit and expressed their support for eMerge and for the continuous drive for educational excellence in the Corinth School District.

As a part of the eMerge announcement, summit participants were invited to watch numerous demonstrations of how technology and personalized learning are already being implemented in CSD classrooms. The Corinth Education Summit is planned to be an annual event for parents, community members, and school leaders.

More information about eMerge is coming soon!