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THE LAUSD WASTE BASKET:



\$400 million on computers and few new ones to be found!!

A February *Daily News* article reveals that LAUSD is unaware of the number of computers it owns and where some new computers have gone. Because of haphazard tracking, LAUSD still has classrooms without enough computers, with outdated systems and without enough software. Some schools still have computers that only accept floppy disks, and others are

using software introduced over a decade ago. Other computers' operating systems are no longer supported by the District.



The District claims to have:

- **\$250 million - \$400 million** in PCs and associated equipment and software
- **129,000** PCs, purchased since 2004

But where are they all?

School Board intervenes

To get the situation under control, the School Board has now had to bring a motion directing the Superintendent to have schools survey their existing equipment to determine make, model and operating systems of all District-owned computers on the premises and submit the results within 90 days. With such blatant mismanagement of resources, it is no surprise the District can't "find" money for a raise.

Be our eyes and ears in the school: Send in your examples of waste and mismanagement (you can remain anonymous if desired) to webmaster@utla.net.



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