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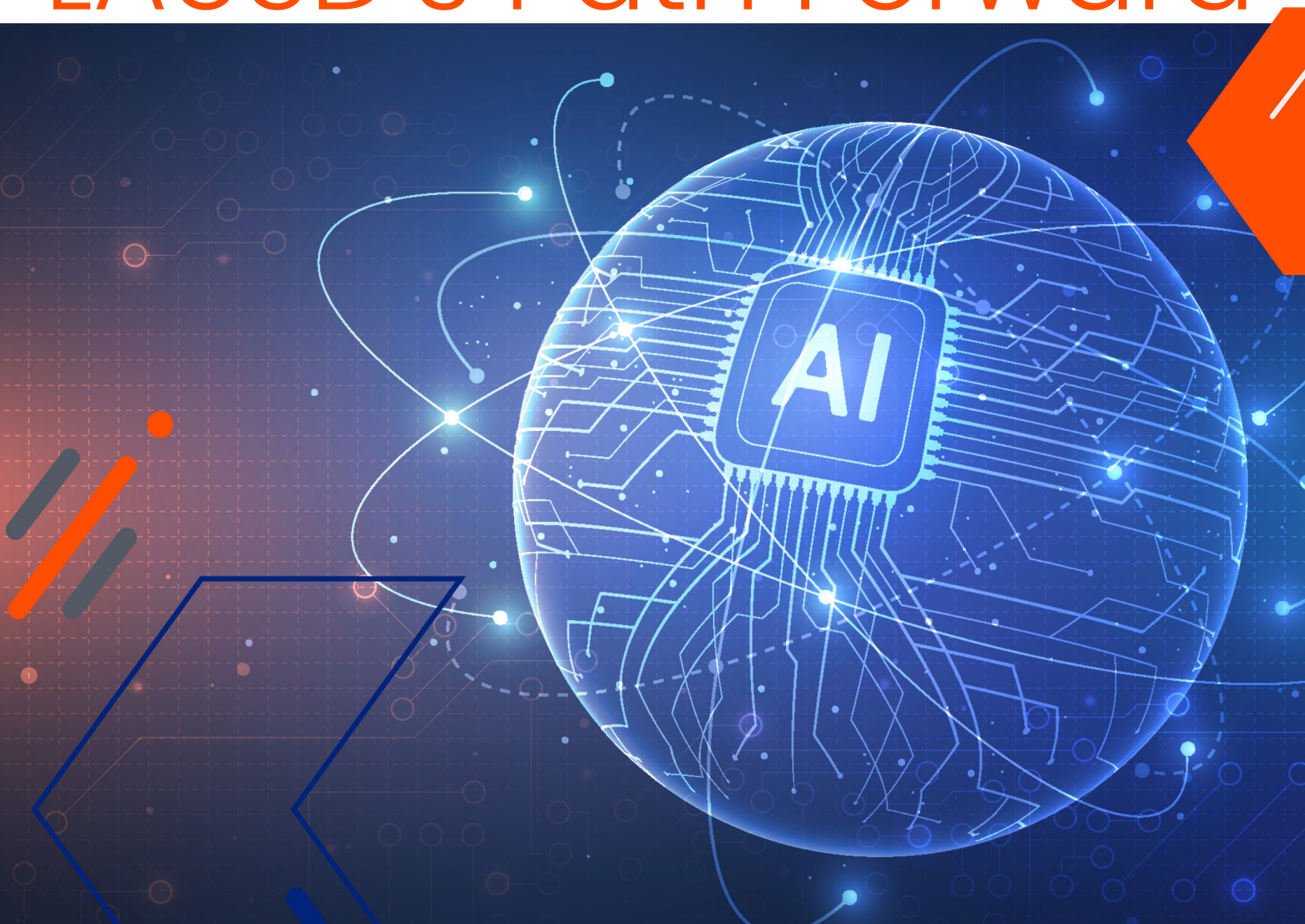




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LAUSD's Commitment to AI in Education: Empowering Students, Families, Staff, and Schools



LAUSD is committed to leveraging Artificial Intelligence (AI) in ways that enhance human capabilities, rather than replace them, preserving the central role of educators, staff, and families in decision-making and student learning. In alignment with the Emerging Technologies Framework, our approach emphasizes purposeful and balanced use of technology, ensuring that tools are introduced to deepen learning, strengthen equity, and foster collaboration across our diverse community.

This commitment reflects the District's broader vision of preparing every student to thrive in a rapidly changing, technology-driven world by equipping them with

the skills, knowledge, and adaptability needed for college, career, and life. At the same time, we recognize our responsibility to promote healthy and balanced technology use, foster student well-being, and uphold data privacy and security. As such, our work prioritizes fairness, transparency, and intentional adoption so that innovation always serves the best interest of students, staff, and families.

This document is designed to evolve alongside technological advancements while remaining firmly grounded in the needs and voices of the communities we serve.



Our Beliefs on AI in Education

At LAUSD, we recognize that AI can enhance human potential. As we integrate AI into our educational and operational systems, we are guided by the following core beliefs:

- We believe AI should enhance instruction and optimize operations across the District while never replacing the human expertise required for effective decision-making.
- We believe all students and staff must be AI literate, equipped with the knowledge and skills to use AI responsibly while upholding academic integrity.
- We believe in developing future talent by incorporating AI into career pathways and technical education, ensuring students are ready for the evolving workforce.
- We believe AI can foster innovation in teaching, enabling personalized learning and deeper student engagement.
- We believe in encouraging creativity and problem solving in education while maintaining academic integrity.
- We believe that strong collaboration with research institutions, universities, and industry leaders is essential to responsible adoption.
- We believe in providing ongoing professional development and training, empowering staff to understand the uses and limitations of AI.
- We believe that robust data privacy and information security policies are essential to ensure the safe and responsible use of AI.
- We believe that transparency and open communication are essential to building trust in the use of AI.
- We believe that any new technologies should be tested and piloted before districtwide implementation.



By embedding these beliefs into our approach to AI, we commit to using these tools in a responsible, fair, and research-driven manner, ensuring that all students and staff are prepared to succeed as technology rapidly advances.

What is AI and Why Does it Matter for Schools?

AI refers to programs or machines that simulate tasks that typically require human intelligence, such as recognizing patterns, making predictions, and generating content (Teach AI/OECD 2024). It already plays a role in everyday life through tools like voice assistants, recommendation systems, and grammar checkers. AI powered tools are technologies that can assist with problem solving, pattern recognition, and decision making tasks.

As AI continues to advance, districts must stay informed and adaptable to ensure these technologies are used ethically, responsibly, and effectively in classrooms and district operations. Ongoing research and collaboration with AI experts and staff will be critical in shaping AI's role in education (Williamson & Eynon, 2020).



How Can AI Support Instruction and Operations?

AI has the potential to significantly enhance teaching and learning by providing tools that support students, teachers, and staff. AI tools don't just assist staff and students, they can also improve how a district operates. AI should not replace staff. Instead, it should empower and support them in addressing student needs, instruction, and business operations.



Assisting Instructional Practices

- **Personalized Learning:** AI can help teachers adjust lessons based on what a student already knows and what they need more help with (Harvard University, 2024). For example, if a student struggles with fractions on a math quiz, an AI tool can assist the teacher by making recommendations for more tailored lessons.
- **Supporting Different Learning Needs:** AI tools can translate lessons, read text out loud, and provide visual aids to help students who learn in different ways (ISTE, 2023).
- **Reducing Operational Tasks:** AI can assist with reducing repetitive tasks like grading and lesson planning, giving teachers more time to focus on direct student engagement (Carnegie Foundation, 2024). In teaching and learning, AI tools can help minimize operational tasks through automation.



Optimizing Operations

- **Improve IT Services:** AI can be used for coding in software applications, enhancing chatbots for service management, predictive maintenance in IT infrastructure, and improved cybersecurity through threat detection and more efficient network management. For example, AI systems can detect unusual activity on the network and help prevent data breaches (Darktrace 2025).
- **Support Human Resources:** AI-powered systems can assist with HR functions such as hiring and scheduling, with human expertise remaining central to decision-making. This helps reduce workload and allows more time for data-driven decision making (IMD Business School 2025)
- **Streamline Operations:** AI can improve logistics in areas such as transportation, cafeteria services, and facility maintenance. For example, AI systems can optimize transportation routes and schedules to improve efficiency (ThroughPut 2024).

Our Commitment to Responsible AI Integration

At LAUSD, we are dedicated to integrating AI in a way that enhances education, empowers staff, and improves district operations while maintaining fairness, equity, and transparency. Our commitment to responsible AI use builds on the District's longstanding efforts in digital citizenship, critical media literacy, and safe and responsible use of technology, ensuring that students and staff engage with technology thoughtfully, ethically, and with well-being at the center. This commitment includes:



Clear Policies and Guidelines

We will develop clear policies for the use of AI in schools, aligned with the Responsible Use Policy and our digital citizenship initiatives, ensuring that AI is used ethically and responsibly.



Data Protection, Security, and Privacy

We are committed to maintaining rigorous data privacy and information security standards in all uses of AI. This will ensure that data is safely collected, stored, and used responsibly, transparently, and in compliance with all relevant laws and ethical guidelines.



Ongoing Professional Development and Training

We will provide professional development and training that not only equips staff with the knowledge to integrate AI effectively into their practice, but also to strengthen their capacity to teach and model digital citizenship and critical media literacy for students.



Collaborative Research and Evaluation

We will engage in partnerships with universities, research organizations, and industry leaders to ensure our AI tools and practices are evidence-based, aligned with best practices, and attentive to issues of equity, fairness, and representation.



Continuous Improvement

We will regularly review and revise AI policies, tools, and practices to reflect new developments, community input, and emerging research. As with other digital initiatives, new AI tools will be piloted and monitored for safe, responsible, and ethical use before wider adoption.

By taking these steps, LAUSD will keep pace with AI advancements and lead educational implementation.

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