

Substitute teacher Linda Sabbola (left) and media specialist Julie Riegel tour the Farmington school district's mobile pro-duction van which was demonstrated recently at a Technology

SHARON LAMIEUV/stat pondopasher conference at Farmington High School. The van is just one of many technology changes in the district.

Panel pushes school technology

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She said previous years of the pro-gram helped get staff members ac-climated to technology, "Your abil-ty to succeed in this me that the staff, to succeed in this me that the staff, to take a pioneering spirit — then it gets infectious."
Trustee Susan Rennels said she was excited about the future of tech-nology in the district, and wants all teachers to get involved, "Many times." I wish I could go back to ele-mentary school and start all over," she said.
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Rennels called for "grade appropriate" technology standards and some assurance that "within a given time frame, that all staff members will be brought up to speed."

Flanagan estimated that would take about five years.

'It takes a pioneering spirit — then it gets infectious.'

- Betsi Rothrock TAC member

OTHERS, Like James Abernethy, said they wanted to ensure that any technology project is valuated properly, doministrators told the project of the project is desired project. The district began its foray into technology in 1979 when the first microcomputers were introduced and "the acquisition of technology was decentralized, and not coordinated." It wasn't until Flanagan put an emphasis on coordinating technology by forming TAC that technology use in

the classroom was supported, en-couraged and coordinated district-wide.

The TAC committee has already accomplished a number of things in-

located at all school buildings, and the district has implemented a voice mail communication system. An integral part of the technology plan is a grant system, in which teachers apply for specific projects and are awarded money. Of the halfmillion dollar technology budget, 4800,000 is being spent on these grants this year. In addition, the district hosts a "technology fair" where staffers have a chance to see and use updated technology.

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Hills eyes mock vote for Mercy

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"It is a private school with a lot of students who are from out of the area. We thought they might not want to participate so we never contacted them," said Julicann Hovanesian, former chairperson of the voter participation committee.

INCLUDING MERCY in the mock election is expected to cost the city a bit more money. When students at the three public high schools voted in the November 1990 election for gov-

Students place at German Day

A number of Farmington students placed in recent German Day com-petition at the University of Michi-

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In Level I, first place awards were
given to North Farmington student
Brian Corbin for artwork and Farmington
High student Andy Wayno for
High placed second for poetry and
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placed third for artwork.

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ernor, costs topped approximately \$1,483. Those costs have increased somewhat since 1990, Dornan said.

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If the city council gives its OK to Mercy High School, Sister Doelker says school staff will have to figure out how it would work within the school because Farmington-area students are of course not in one class together.

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The Observer has criticized city stuff for not releasing the results of students' mock elections — scheduled prior to the actual elections — until after the actual elections — until after the actual elections — until after the actual elections in which students parents vote.

But city officials have argued that the decision to keep results quiet until after the actual election is prompted by the notion that students, tend to vote like their parents — and would thus show the results of the real election.

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In the 1950 governor's election, however, students at the three public high schools would have elected former Gov. James Blanchard Instead of Gov. John Engler. Their parents and other voters in Farmington and Farmington Hills gave Engler the need.

Farmington must gave support one nod.

In the 1991 city council elections and bend proposal to expand the 47th District Court, student results in some cases paralleled their parents votes, but not in others.

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1st, 2nd Musicale winners to do recital

The first- and second place winners in Farmington Musicale's annual scholarship competition with perform in a recital at 12:30 pm. Wednesday, April 1, in the Farming-ton Hills Branch Library, 12 Mile-Road east of Farmington Road.

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Vocal jingke Mary Irvine gave the
first place "Awards for Musical Excellence" to Melanie Downle in the
competition among ninth and 10th
graders, and to Erin Scheffler in the
competition among 11th and 12th
graders, Carlis Swanson was given
second place in the 11th and 12th
grade competition.

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Instrumental judges Walter West-phal and Ara Zerounian gave violin-ist Emily Ebenhoe and cellist Laura Avers first and second place awards in the competition among seventh

and eighth graders while cellist An-tonia Dunbar and flutist Melanie Downie placed first and second in the ninth and 10th grade competi-

the ninth and 10th grade competition THE SENIOR division of the
instrumental competition, monors
went to two who tied for first place:
cellist Allison Davis and flutist, Abha
Mangrukar.
For musical excellence at the piano, judges Jean Candiish and Mary
Sicillano gave first and second place
awards to Patricla Rhiew while
Jonathon Perry and Christian Kuo
tied for second.
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The judges also awarded honorable mention to vocalist Michelle Jacobson in the ninth grade and 10th grade division and Jennifer Hoemke in the senior vocal division.

Flutist Andrea Leonardis merited honorable mention in the seventh

and eighth grade division of the in-strumental competition. In the ninth and 10th grade division, honorable mention went to flutist Carl Owen and violinist Sara Urevig and trom-bonist Michael Bregand was award-ed Honorable Mention in the senior division.





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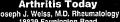
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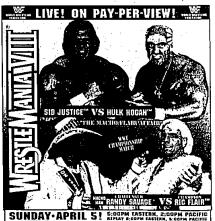
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