

# Technology In Mathematics Education



**Northwest  
Kansas  
Math and  
Technology  
Conference**

Co-hosted by:

**Southwest Plains Regional Service Center**



and

**Kansas Association of Teachers of  
Mathematics**



**Monday, October 8, 2007**  
**Colby High School, 1890 S. Franklin**  
**Colby, Kansas**

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# Welcome!

## *Conference Schedule*

- 8:00-9:00 Registration & Light Continental Breakfast  
Visit the Exhibitor Booths*
- 9:00-9:15 Welcome & Overview, Bill Biermann, SWPRSC*
- 9:15-9:35 Opening Remarks, Dr. Sid Cooley, KSDE*
- 9:35-10:15 Keynote Speaker, Dr. Arthur Benjamin*
- 10:15-10:45 Break  
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- 11:40-12:30 Session Choice #1/Lunch*
- 12:40-1:30 Session Choice #2/Lunch*
- 1:30-2:00 Break  
Visit Exhibitor Booths & Door Prize Drawings*
- 2:00-2:50 Session Choice #3*
- 3:00-3:50 Session Choice #4*

# Keynote Speaker

## Dr. Arthur Benjamin



Dr. Arthur Benjamin will dazzle and delight you with his dynamic Mathemagics presentation. Combining his two loves – math and magic – he has created a dynamic presentation which will demonstrate and explain his secrets for performing rapid calculations *faster than a calculator*. Join him for an enthralling session of mental arithmetical gymnastics, together with some awe-inspiring magic tricks. His captivating presentation will awe you with the power of the human mind, the wonder of numbers and the simple beauty of mathematics.

Arthur Benjamin is a Professor of Mathematics at Harvey Mudd College, as well as a professional entertainer who has performed in nightclubs and public gatherings around the world. His accomplishments as a mentalist earned him Reader's Digest Magazine's designation as America's Best Math Whiz. For his outstanding abilities as a classroom teacher, he was awarded the Mathematical Association of America's prestigious prize in May 2000. He earned his Ph.D. in mathematics from John Hopkins University. He's the author of two books and the editor of the Math Horizons magazine for students, as well as an accomplished researcher in mathematics.

# Opening Remarks

## Dr. Sid Cooley



Dr. Cooley has degrees in mathematics and history from Fort Hays State University and a Ph.D. in Education from the University of Kansas. He taught mathematics for fourteen years at both the high school and junior high school levels in Kansas City, Kansas, Hays, and Olathe. His doctoral program included advanced work in statistics, Piaget's theory on learning mathematical concepts, and remedial mathematic techniques. Dr. Cooley has been a consultant with the Kansas Department of Education since 1985, becoming the mathematics consultant in 2007.

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## 1.4 What's New in College Mathematics? – Judy Stubblefield – Grades 6-8, 9-12

Find out about the work being done by the state mathematics competencies committee to align curriculum at the community colleges and regent schools. Core competencies for beginning algebra through calculus will be shared. Information about the Equity & Access partnership with KSU, the community colleges in southwest Kansas and three school districts in southwest Kansas will also be shared, including in recent “calculus for middle school teachers” course that was offered this past summer via Polycom.

## 1.5 What are my options to become a Highly Qualified Middle School or High School Mathematics Teacher – Dr. Ron Sandstrom – Grades 9-12

We will explore the options that are available for a licensed teacher to become endorsed in mathematics at the middle or high school level. These include specific course options, courses leading to Masters Degrees, and special programs available via the Kansas State Department of Education.

## 1.6 Preparing for the State Math Assessment w/ Technology – Tonya Koehn & Cheryl Kucharik – Grades 3-5

Feeling the pressure to meet the expectations of NCLB? Teachers can use technology to meet the new requirements. We would like to show you how two technology rich classrooms use their resources to prepare for the State Math Assessment. We will show how we use CPS systems, Interwrite tablets, the Internet and other resources. Many of these tools can be expanded to use throughout the curriculum.

## 1.7 Introduction to Geometer's Sketchpad – Bill Weber and Lanee Young – Grades 6-8, 9-12

This session will cover basic operations on Geometer's Sketchpad. No prior use or knowledge of Sketchpad is necessary.

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## 1.9 Create an Interactive Classroom without the stress through the use of classroom activity cards – Jerry Braun – Grades K-12

When students are engaged, they learn more. This session will look specifically at a program I wrote called Kardopelli which makes creating classroom activity cards a breeze! This will be a hands-on session. Come with ideas to create your own!

## 1.10 Everyday Math Games for Everybody – Nancy Baker – Grades K-2, 3-5

Participants will be introduced to several games from the Everyday math series and will be given time to play some of the games. They will be able to have their students play the games in their classes with very little preparation.

### 1.11 What is New at the State and National Level – Dr. Sid Cooley – Grades K-12

Find out the latest on State Assessments, NCLB, AYP, OTL, STEM, MSP, KSDE curriculum list serves, Focal Points, Qualified Admissions Requirements and State Scholarship Curriculum requirements. The presentation will also include unforeseen topics and changes that have developed since the planning of the conference.

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### 1.13 Create a Hunger for Math! – Brenda Rose – Grades K-2, 3-5

Would you like to individualize math instruction more for students? Utilizing “Math Menus” allows teachers to choose enrichment and re-teaching activities appropriate for individual students. View sample math menus, gain hands-on experience, and go home energized to add variety to your math routine and increase your students’ “hunger” to learn!

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### 1.16 Kansas Performance Assessment: What Is It? How Can I Help? – Dr. Germaine Taggart – Grades K-2, 3-5, 6-8, 9-12, Administrators

Participants will receive an overview of the Kansas Performance Assessment. This assessment is required of all new teachers prior to receiving their professional teaching license. Learn the process and how you can assist new teachers with meeting this requirement.

### 1.17 ALEKS and PassKey – Prescriptive Programs That Teach Mathematics (Exhibitor Presentation)– Roger Pogue – Grades 3-5, 6-8, 9-12

See why McGraw Hill PassKey Math and ALKDS Math are the two best math products in the industry. Both are internet-delivered, low cost, correlated to the Kansas Standards, and highly utilized by many Kansas districts. Scores WILL improve with PassKey and ALEKS!

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### 2.3 KAPTrivia – Bill Losey – Grades K-6 and 7-12

This session will use a quiz show format to strengthen vocabulary for students to succeed on the Kansas State Assessment.

### 2.4 Teaching Math Standards with Technology – Tanya Gray – Grades 6-8

In this session, I will share ideas for teaching the Kansas Math Standards using technology. Lesson plans, websites, United Streaming videos and other ideas for using technology to teach the math standards will be shared. Although these lessons will be based on 7<sup>th</sup> grade math, they could be adapted for any grade level.

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Participants will be shown how to build a math oriented web page with only a web browser and an internet connection. In particular, participants will be shown how to enter sophisticated mathematical expressions, precisely format the layout and embed Teachertub.com and YouTube.com videos, and java (GeoGebra) applets into the page. After learning these simple steps, participants will be invited to join teachers from all over Kansas and several others from around the world in an extensive collaborative effort via our forum..

### 2.10 Ice Cream Anyone?– Pat Turrell – Grades 3-5, 6-8

I will share a unit on how to involve the whole school in celebrating American Education Week in November. All grades will be involved, with the upper grades responsible for combining data, calculating, technology presentation and serving the ice cream. Math Content: Surveying and organizing data, number sense and computation, problem solving, technology involving graphing, entering formulas into a spreadsheet, word processing, using video and digital cameras to create an i-movie or power point presentation.

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The TI-SmartView emulator is a cool demonstration tool for the teacher to use to lead instruction of math and science concepts. The emulator complements classroom calculator used by displaying an interactive representation of the calculator, plus the emulator offers many unique instructional capabilities.

### 2.14 Cooperative Learning for Math – Robb Ross, Kathy Vaughn, and Diana Wieland – Grades 3-5, 6-8, 9-12

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Reciprocal teaching is a strategic approach to reading comprehension which incorporates group discussions and student interaction. Students learn to monitor their own comprehension (metacognition) through the use of four strategies: predicting, questioning, clarifying, and summarizing. These strategies were developed primarily for use with expository text yet are effective with all four text types.

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This session will explore simple Spanish terms and phrases to increase the comfort level of the Spanish-speaking student and English-speaking teacher. A few familiar terms can ease the transition of the ELL student and his parents while opening doors to learning and understanding.

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3.3 Photo Story – Bill Losey – Grades K-2, 3-5, 6-8, 9-12  
Use this free software to take students to a higher integration of math and technology skills. Participants will learn to use and see student made projects.

3.4 What a High School Mathematics Classroom Should Look Like – Tracy Newell – Grades 9-12  
This session will focus on what a standards-based classroom should look like, including photos and videos of what we should be looking for in the classroom to insure quality mathematics is being taught. It includes everything from how the classroom is laid out to what to look for from the students and teacher. This will be a session that includes discussion amongst the participants about these issues. Remember: “When we want to ‘catch fish’ we bait the hook with what the fish like, not what the fisherman likes. Gregory and Chapman.”

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3.9 9-12 Hands-On Activities for State Standards – Stacey Powell & Becky Bird – Grades 9-12  
This session will provide you with hands-on activities that you can take back to your classroom. The activities presented will be engaging and fun for your students. If you are trying to prepare your students to take the Kansas Math Assessment this session is for you.

3.10 Watch Your P’s and Q’s – Pat Turrell – Grades K-2, 3-5, 6-8  
Polygons, parallelograms, pentagons and quadrilaterals. Participants will be doing hands on activities that can be taken immediately back to the classroom. Come prepared to play as I share fun ways to introduce and expand Geometry terms. K-3 ideas first hour, 4-8 ideas second hour.

### 3.11 Enhancing Mathematics Using E-Learning Resources – Diana Wieland – Grades 3-5

This hands on session will focus on integrating web resources as effective tools to enhance the learning of Mathematics. Participants will explore various free e-Learning resources (including the Empowered Desktop by Kan-ed, a comprehensive suite of instructional programs, software content, and professional development). The Education Backpack will be the vehicle used to share information.

### 3.12 Developing Number Sense – Tips, Tricks & Tools – the Common Sense Math Approach - Karla Brown – Grades 3-5, 6-8, 9-12

Every math teacher, whether elementary or high school, knows that without strong math foundations, (i.e. number sense, mental math skills, and basic facts), students' learning is stifled. There are not many resources or lessons that effectively emphasize number sense as a tool. We will focus on empowering teachers with techniques and tools for developing strong number sense and mental math skills that their students WILL USE! These tips, tricks and tools help build strong math foundations beneficial at every level. Come and get some useful strategies you can use immediately with your students.

### 3.13 iPod's in the Math Classroom – Tom Barnes – Grades 6-8, 9-12

Usually when you think of the math classroom, you envision graph paper and graphing calculators, and some of us can even remember slide rules. In this session, I will show some of the ways that a Video iPod can be used in the math classroom. With inexpensive and/or free software a student can download math and science podcasts and TV shows or creating math PowerPoint's and videos to be viewed on their iPod.

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School mascots, signs, letters, shapes, even hand drawn images. They can all be used as patterns for the PlasmaCam computerized plasma cutter. Students gain experience in a number of tasks when they prepare and cut their own patterns out of flat metal.

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*Winplot* is a graphing software package that has many advantageous features, and is completely free! This talk will present a general overview of this very useful program, as well as a description of how I use it in the classroom to complement and enhance the graphs my students produce on their graphing calculators. *Winplot* is also very useful for creating graphs for tests, quizzes and handouts.

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Dynamic changes are occurring in our schools and communities as local economies grow in diversity. Understanding the cultural values and heritage of our entire community of learners will enhance our ability

to teach all students. Although the focus of this session is the Latino culture, other areas of cultural diversity will be addressed.

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## 3<sup>rd</sup> Session Descriptions 3:00 – 3:50

4.1 TI-Nspire. If You Want to Stay Current with Technology A MUST SEE! – Tom Hanson – Grades 6-8, 9-12  
The TI-Nspire will incorporate the use of a calculator, graphs, geometric supposer, spreadsheets, lists and yes text to present and have students work with mathematics.

4.2 Songs, Raps, and Chants for Math! – Wendy Miller – Grades K-2, 3-5  
Come learn songs, raps, and chants with Kinesthetic hand motions for all of the strands of math! Teachers will leave with materials they can immediately use in the classroom!

4.3 BAIP – Bill Losey – Grades K-2, 3-5, 6-8, 9-12  
BAIP: The Blending Assessment with Instruction Program. IT was developed in response to demands placed on states, districts, and teachers in meeting the requirements of No Child Left Behind. NCLB requires all students to achieve national curriculum standards. BAIP was designed and developed as a set of online resources to assist teachers with standards based alignment. BAIP translates mathematic curriculum standards into instruction as a way of enhancing student performance. This program provides three sets of web based resources for grades 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 10 which are based on Kansas standards and indicators.

4.4 Improving Math Skills by Building Essential Vocabulary – Jerry Braun – Grades K-12  
How can students succeed when they don't know what you are talking about? The key to success in math is building a strong essential content vocabulary. This session will help you find effective ways to help students learn and remember key vocabulary with a focus on the Frayer Model.

4.5 Enter the MATRIX: Mobile Technology Innovations to Increase Math Achievement– Melanie Bacon – Grades 3-5, 6-8  
Middle school Achievement through Technology Rich Innovations (MATRIX) is an after-school math and literacy program for urban and rural schools not meeting AYP. Learn about standards-based math games and simulations that integrate mobile communication, podcasting, multiplayer online gaming, and virtual reality teaching tools in your classroom.

4.6 Economics of Sports: It All Adds UP! – Dr. Jean Anna Sellers – Grades 6-8, 9-12  
Why are athletic programs important to a school? This presentation will provide you, the teacher of athletes, with lessons and information that connect economic principles to the world of sports. The information can be easily adapted to your classroom or when promoting athletic activities in your community.

4.7 An Applet for the Teacher – Keith Dreiling – Grades 6-8, 9-12  
Provide your students with interactive programs on the computer. These applets allow students to explore many mathematical concepts, and best of all, they are free.

4.8 Number Sense 101 – Callie Harris – Grades K-2, 3-5  
In this session participants will be introduced to research based methods on how to increase students' number sense up to 300% in 3 weeks time! Participants will be shown what the literature says about number sense and shown methods that work. All strategies introduced have been researched in kindergarten, second grade, and third grade classrooms in Wichita, KS.

4.9 9-12 Hands-On Activities for State Standards – Stacey Powell & Becky Bird – Grades 9-12  
This session will provide you with hands-on activities that you can take back to your classroom. The activities presented will be engaging and fun for your students. If you are trying to prepare your students to take the Kansas Math Assessment this session is for you.

4.10 Watch Your P's and Q's – Pat Turrell – Grades 3-5, 6-8 SESSION BEGAN AT 2:00!  
I will share a unit on how to involve the whole school in celebrating American Education Week in November. All grades will be involved, with the upper grades responsible for combining data, calculating, technology presentation and serving the ice cream. Math Content: Surveying and organizing data, number sense and

computation, problem solving, technology involving graphing, entering formulas into a spreadsheet, word processing, using video and digital cameras to create an i-movie or power point presentation.

#### 4.11 Enhancing Mathematics Using E-Learning Resources – Diana Wieland – Grades 6-12

This hands on session will focus on integrating web resources as effective tools to enhance the learning of Mathematics. Participants will explore various free e-Learning resources (including the Empowered Desktop by Kan-ed, a comprehensive suite of instructional programs, software content, and professional development). The Education Backpack will be the vehicle used to share information.

#### 4.12 Developing Number Sense – Tips, Tricks & Tools – the Common Sense Math Approach - Karla Brown – Grades 3-5, 6-8, 9-12

Every math teacher, whether elementary or high school, knows that without strong math foundations, (i.e. number sense, mental math skills, and basic facts), students' learning is stifled. There are not many resources or lessons that effectively emphasize number sense as a tool. We will focus on empowering teachers with techniques and tools for developing strong number sense and mental math skills that their students WILL USE! These tips, tricks and tools help build strong math foundations beneficial at every level. Come and get some useful strategies you can use immediately with your students.

#### 4.13 Data Collection with TI Calculators – Tom Barnes – Grades 6-8, 9-12

There are several ways to collect data with TI graphing calculators. One option uses the CBL 2 data collection interface, in which the sensors connect to the interface, and the interface connects to the calculator. If you are a science or math teacher, these interfaces give you the most flexibility. The other option allows you connect sensors directly to a TI-84 Plus or TI-84 Plus Silver Edition graphing calculator. Through the USB port you can collect temperature, position, velocity, and acceleration data. There are more than 40 compatible Vernier probes. This breakout will demonstrate and explore these different data collection methods.

#### 4.14 No session scheduled at this time frame in this room.

#### 4.15 Cutting Metal – Building Pride – Dan Woellhof – Grades 6-8, 9-12

School mascots, signs, letters, shapes, even hand drawn images. They can all be used as patterns for the PlasmaCam computerized plasma cutter. Students gain experience in a number of tasks when they prepare and cut their own patterns out of flat metal.

#### 4.16 No session scheduled at this time frame in this room.

#### 4.17 How *Winplot* Spiced Up My Teaching and Engaged My Students – Michael Reynolds – Grades 9-12

*Winplot* is a graphing software package that has many advantageous features, and is completely free! This talk will present a general overview of this very useful program, as well as a description of how I use it in the classroom to complement and enhance the graphs my students produce on their graphing calculators.

*Winplot* is also very useful for creating graphs for tests, quizzes and handouts.

#### 4.18 Integrate Internet Resources into Classroom Instruction with 4Teacher Tools – Amber Rowland – Grades K-2, 3-5, 6-8, 9-12

Come and see how easy it is to integrate technology into your classroom with 4Teacher Tools! ALTEC is an organization dedicated to developing free, easy-to-use, web-based resources to support teachers. This session will highlight these resources and show how they can help produce online lessons with associated assessment instruments.

#### 4.19 Moodle Your Noodle – Carol Swinney – Grades 9-12

This session will explore using Moodle as a classroom tool. This user-friendly online platform can expand student opportunities and enhance instructor communication with everything from weekly discussions, group project work and posting of lessons & deadlines during intense periods of school activities. Moodle can keep students linked and teachers connected beyond the traditional classroom.

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Please contact Nonie McMillan if you'd like to register. She can be reached at [nmcmillan@swprsc.org](mailto:nmcmillan@swprsc.org) or by phone at 1-800-728-1022.

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## 10/08/07

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*Please mark only one choice for each area.*

Please rate the following:	Excellent 5	Good 4	Average 3	Fair 2	Poor 1
The overall conference.					
The keynote speaker/presentation.					
The conference location.					
The conference facilities.					
The meals/snacks served.					
The information I gained can be applied to my educational setting.					
The variety of break out sessions.					
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In your opinion, what were three highlights of the conference?

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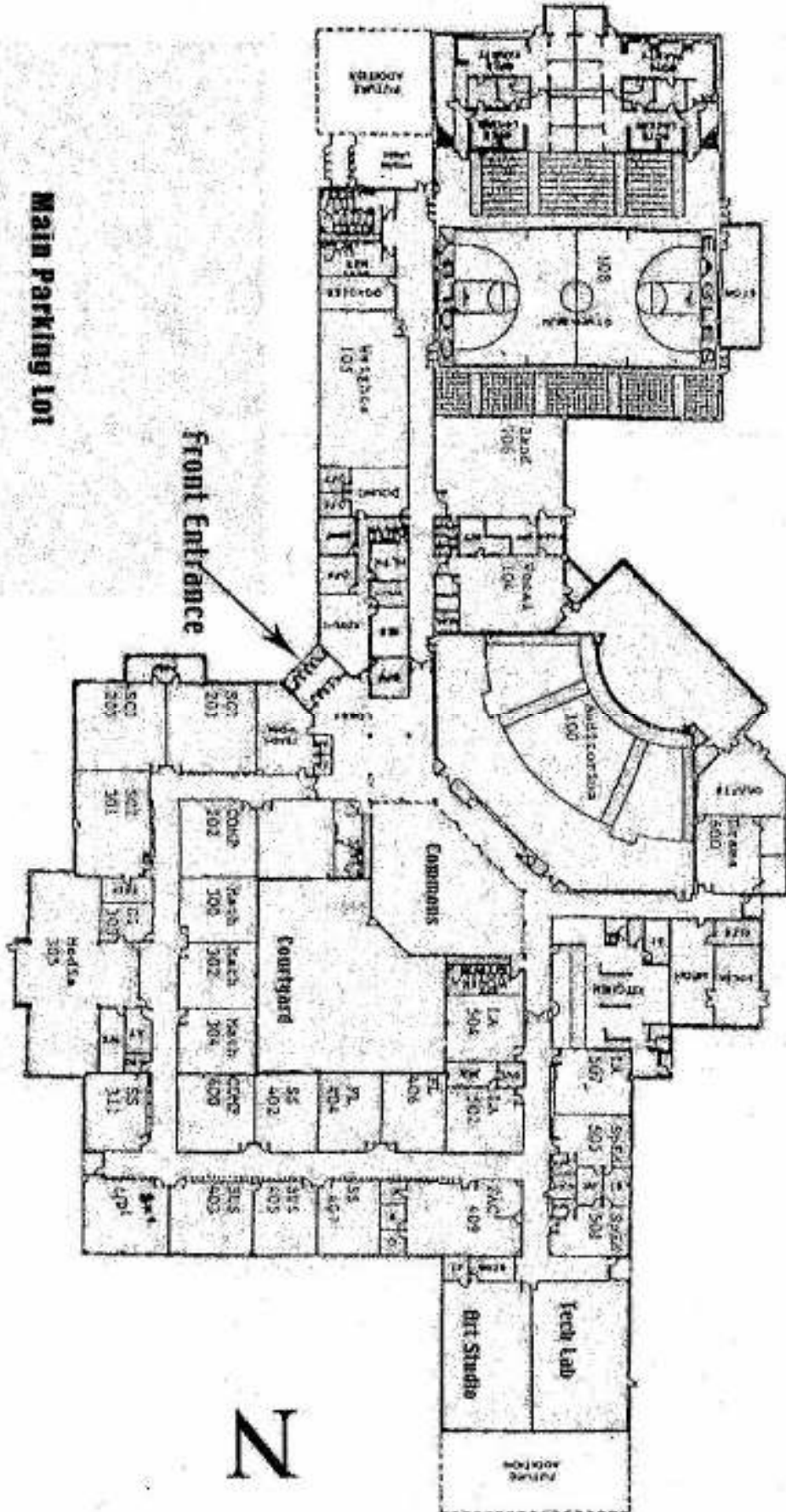
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