Presentation/Demo Information

Microsoft Office 365 for Business
SRSU is happy to announce that the full suite of Office 365 applications are now available for FREE download by active students, staff and faculty. Once you log into the MS Office 365 portal (URL info below) with your SR email and password, you can then download and install the MS Office 365 suite on up to 5 computers, either PC or Mac. The MS Office 365 suite offered through SRSU includes the following: Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Outlook, OneNote, Access, Publisher, InfoPath, and Skype for Business.

With Office 365 Online Apps you’ll get up to 6 GB of cloud-based storage using your personal OneDrive app along with other applications and collaborative features so you have the power and flexibility to get things done from virtually anywhere. Your MS Office 365 online apps include the following: Word Online, Excel Online, PowerPoint Online, OneNote Online, Class Notebook (for OneNote), Sway, Yammer, Newsfeed, Delve, and Video.

The SRSU Sites area can also be accessed via your Office 365 Online Apps menu. Using Sharepoint technology, our SRSU Sites area can be utilized by the Sul Ross community as a "University Intranet"; an internal web-based platform that will enable SRSU departments/organizations/offices to securely store or share internal documents, data, and information.

To access the Office 365 login area: https://login.microsoftonline.com
Office 365 information on the SR website: http://www.sulross.edu/Office365
For info on Faculty/Staff workshops on Office365/Online Apps/OneDrive/SR Sites: http://www.sulross.edu/page/1235/oit-training-and-workshops

For more info on Office365/OneDrive/SRSU Sites:
Contact Tim Parsons - tim.parsons@sulross.edu or call ext. 8525 - BAB 104
- Schedule classroom or online orientations for students in Office365/OneDrive
- Schedule workshop orientations for your Dept/Org/Office on Office365/OneDrive or SR Sites
- Schedule one-on-one consultations on using your Office365/OneDrive set up
- Schedule one-on-one consultations on setting up an SR Sites area

Blackboard Collaborate and Instant Message
Blackboard Collaborate™ gives you the functionality you need to support a 21st century teaching and learning environment, such as two-way audio, multi-point video, interactive whiteboard, application and desktop sharing, and session recording. Educators and students can engage as if they were in a traditional classroom, with as good as, or even better, outcomes.
Blackboard Collaborate™ Enterprise Instant Messaging capabilities (formerly Wimba Pronto) allow Sul Ross Blackboard users to create a learning network to support office hours, school services, meetings and desktop video conferencing—all initiated through presence and instant messaging. With Blackboard IM, students and instructors can easily see who’s online and available so they can instantly communicate with peers, colleagues, and experts. You can even launch a Blackboard Collaborate web conferencing session with a single click.

For info on Faculty Technology Zone workshops on Blackboard Collaborate & IM: http://www.sulross.edu/page/1235/oit-training-and-workshops

For more info on Blackboard Collaborate & IM: Contact Sandy Bogus - sbogus@sulross.edu or call ext. 8523 - ACR 207

Smarthinking
Smarthinking is a new academic resource that provides students twenty-four hour access to qualified tutors in a variety of subjects. With Smarthinking, students can interact with live tutors, schedule personal sessions with an e-structor, submit writing for any class to the online writing lab, and submit questions and receive replies within twenty-four hours. Smarthinking is easily accessible through Blackboard, and services are available to both undergraduate and graduate students.

For more info on Smarthinking: Contact Sharon Hileman - shileman@sulross.edu or call ext. 8015
Contact Tres Wright - francis.wright@sulross.edu or call ext. 8247
Contact Thea Glenn - tglenn2@sulross.edu or call ext. 8490

SRSU Library Resources for the Classroom/Online Instructor
Amanda Gomez, SRSU Education Coordination Librarian, will speak about the resources available from the library such as having an embedded librarian in your Blackboard classes, requesting bibliographic instruction, requesting LibGuides and other instructional materials for research.

For info on Library instruction: http://library.sulross.edu/infolit/

For more info: Contact Amanda Gomez - agomez6@sulross.edu or call ext. 8312
Sul Ross Faculty/Staff Blogs

Al Brautigam, our web programmer, will showcase the new Sul Ross Blogs site. The SR Blogs area is based on the WordPress application and grew out of a desire to allow the faculty and staff at Sul Ross State University to share ideas across the campus and around the world in a format that is accessible to the largest number of people and devices. This solution helps individuals, departments and groups to more easily communicate with interested individuals and does so in an intuitive, friendly application. Personal blogs are automatic upon login with your Lobo ID. Department blogs are available on request.

SRSU Blogs: http://blogs.sulross.edu/
SRSU Faculty pages: http://faculty.sulross.edu/
SRSU WordPress Faculty pages: http://faculty.sulross.edu/wp/
For info on Faculty/Staff workshops on SRSU Blogs - Getting Started: http://www.sulross.edu/page/1235/oit-training-and-workshops

For more info:
Contact Al Brautigam - abrautigam@sulross.edu or call ext. 8764

LTAC Update

Estella Vega, our new SRSU HelpDesk Coordinator, will give an update on the LTAC area as well as any HelpDesk support announcements that could impact SR faculty, staff and students.

For info on LTAC support and services and to access the LTAC ticket system:
http://www.sulross.edu/ltac

For LTAC Tech Assist Online:
https://techassist.sulross.edu
For more info:
Contact LTAC at 432-837-8888 - BAB 101
Contact Estella Vega - estellav@sulross.edu or call ext. 8760