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Hi everyone,

The FAMIS Conference is fast approaching (June 24-26, FSU Turnbull Center, Tallahassee FL, <http://www.famisonline.org/>). I serve on the FAMIS board and volunteered to coordinate District presentations. I know the DOE and vendor presentations are interesting, but the most value I've gotten out of the FAMIS conference over the years has been District presentations. I've found we are all fighting the same battles and I'm always interested in how a District has solved a particular problem, their success using a particular application, or the issues they've run into in trying to implement a particular type system.

To make this conference great, I need your help. Below are some topics we've identified to be District presentations. If you or someone from your staff is attending the FAMIS conference this year, we would be very interested in you participating in some of them. You will notice I've highlighted a number of them as "panel" presentations. My thought here is that we will get 2-3 Districts to tell us their experience with the topic and then open it up for discussion. I've already gotten some Districts to volunteer, but I need your help to get someone from your District to agree to participate in these as well. **Can you let me know if you are willing to agree to participate in these panel discussions and do a short presentation on what your District is doing?**

Also, if you have something you are particularly proud of or have an interest in and would like to do a presentation on that subject, please let me know.

The true value of the FAMIS conference comes from the sharing of information from those of us fighting in the trenches every day. I hope you will agree to participate and share your invaluable experiences with the rest of us.

Thanks!  
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Presentation	Type	Presenter 1	Presenter 2	Presenter 3
Single Sign-on; How have you implemented in your District, for those that have?	Panel	Hillsborough (Rick Laneau)	Clay (Carl Hendrick)	
Mobile Device Management (Vendor or District Presentations?)	Panel			
Local Instructional Improvement System (LIIIS) Implementations; meeting RTTT requirements	Panel	Brevard (Russell Cheatham)		
The 21st Century Classroom, how is yours defined?	Panel	Leon (Bill Nimmons)		
Computer Based Testing/PARCC, are we ready?	Presentation/Panel	Initial DOE Presentation – Vince Verges		
Cloud-based Hosting; who is doing it? What are success, problems or issues?	Panel			
MS-Lync: Demonstration and discussion on the capabilities and requirements to implement	Presentation	Leon (Bill Nimmons/Dale Joiner)		
Office 365 or Google Docs - Successes, trials and tribulations	Panel			
Managing People, Process, and Technology--Why you need a Project Management Office	Presentation	Johnny Nash		
Replacing the paper mountain (automated workflow) -who is doing it and how?	Panel			
Choosing/Implementing a new <b>Student</b> System; Discussion from Districts that either recently changed systems or in the process of changing). Factors in your choice or approach	Panel	SKYWARD Districts	FOCUS Districts	Other?
Choosing/Implementing a new <b>Business</b> System; Discussion from Districts that either recently changed systems or in the process of changing). Factors in your choice or approach	Panel	Skyward Districts (Leon, Escambia-Doug Dillard, Marion)	FOCUS Districts (PAEC - James Goines, Bay, Clay, ?)	Other?
Disaster Recovery - what is your plan? Discussion of different district's approach to DR; cost/benefits	Panel	Seminole (Patrick Fletcher)	Hillsborough (Rick Laneau)	
District of Schools or School District - How is IT driving consolidation, centralization and cost reduction in your District?	Panel	Seminole (Patrick Fletcher)		
DOE Survey Overload; can this be changed? A discussion with an intent to formulate a letter to the DOE	Panel	Escambia (Doug Dillard)	St. Johns (Bruce Patrou)	
Student Information System for Technical/Vocational Schools	Presentation	Johnny Nash		