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### Element C

**Teachers integrate and utilize appropriate available technology to engage students in authentic learning experiences.**

*Technology at its best involves students and teachers in meaningful activities.*

—R. Routman

Professional practices referenced under each element of the Rubric for Evaluating Colorado Teachers are cumulative. Therefore, for teachers to meet the state standard for the application of the practices referenced under Element C, teachers must first identify technology that is available and appropriate for instructional use based on content and student skills. This may include software, hardware, and processes that enable students to improve their access to a high-quality education through the use of Internet access devices, easy-to-use digital authoring tools, and the Web to access information and multimedia. A teacher's next step is to model responsible and ethical use of technology and applications for students. Furthermore, for technology to be used as a purposeful instructional resource, it must enhance student learning by developing students' knowledge and skills, both creative and collaborative.

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