**Instructional Technology Grant Training Module #1: Discovery Education**

**Introduction:** Discovery Education, AKA United Streaming is an incredible resource available to teachers in our district. DE provides award winning digital content, interactive lessons, virtual experiences, and professional development for teachers. Through DE teachers can save resources to “My Content” and even create classes, providing students DE usernames and passwords, to access assignments created through this platform.

**Instructions:**

1. Using your Internet Browser search for [www.discoveryeducation.com](http://www.discoveryeducation.com)
2. If you **DO NOT** currently have a username and password you need to set one up now. If you **DO** have one, go ahead and log in. If you are NEW TO DISTRICT but have a DE account from your past district you can transfer the account by following these steps as well.
   1. To set up a DE username and password select “passcode/new users”
   2. Type in the passcode: **2B9C-E95B Gus Birdwell code**
   3. Type in the passcode: **81B6-BEE5** **JH code**
   4. You should now see DE Account Set-up for Spearman High School (The account was originally set up for SHS through the library)
   5. If you are creating a log in for the first time select “create a new log in” and complete the form. If you need to transfer your account to our district select “existing log in” and follow the steps.
3. You should now be logged in to the Discovery Education. Take a brief look at the features it has to offer.
   1. “My Content” is where you will store the video/lessons you are interested in and want to access quickly.
   2. “Builder Tools” is where you can create assignments, quizzes, and writing prompts.
   3. “Classroom Manager” is where you can create your classes, and view your student’s reports.
4. Searching is how you will find all the different resources.
   1. Keyword searching – using “key” words that pertain to the topic
   2. Curriculum Standard search- you can search by: Assessment of Knowledge and Skills, Essential Knowledge and Skills, College and Career Readiness, and State of Texas Assessment of Academic Readiness Resources.
   3. Advanced Search- permits further filtering to refine your search.
5. Using your **YAG**, identify **at least three concepts/topics** that you will be teaching **the second six weeks** and type them on your DE tutorial document. Identify the TEK that they corresponds to as well and record it.
   1. Using the Curriculum Standard Search, select “all services,” “Texas,” “Essential Knowledge and Skills,” and the correct subject and grade and year is applicable.
      1. Options may differ based on the content area.
   2. Search and click on the appropriate TEK to obtain a list of DE resources.
   3. Review the search results
   4. Add and resources you would like to keep to “My content”
   5. Repeat for each of the remaining topics you selected for the second six weeks.
   6. Include the titles of the videos/lessons you selected to include in your “my content” section on your DE tutorial document and provide a brief explanation of how you plan on integrating them.
6. Downloading instead of streaming the video
   1. It’s always a good idea to download video versus streaming the video to save bandwidth space for your peer teachers to use. Streaming video slows down everyone’s Internet access (YUCK!)
   2. After opening the video, select the download button at the top left section of the screen.
   3. Find the specific video segment you want to download.
   4. To save the video “right click” the download arrow and save it wherever you would like.

**Summary:**

Video segments are a great way to integrate technology into your lessons and introduce a topic. Great video segments capture the student’s attention and could stimulate a discussion on the concept about to be taught. Discovery Education is just one of many resources you could use to search for meaningful media clips to include in your curriculum.