



#### INDUSTRY

- ▶ Education

#### CHALLENGE

- ▶ Host regional PD event with over 30 sessions
- ▶ Manage technology to ensure smooth, timely presentations
- ▶ Limited IT staff of 4 people on-site

## School District Hosts Trouble-Free PD Event with Connectivity Offered by ViewSonic ViewBoard Interactive Displays

Preparing for any important event can be nerve-racking for anyone involved in the planning and preparation. Those responsible for the presentation equipment are dead-center in the spotlight.

A director of technology at a public high school (which preferred not to be named) is familiar with this feeling. Tensions were particularly high when he and his team of four were tasked with managing a critical professional development (PD) event hosted by the regional board of cooperative education services (BOCES). The agenda called for more than 30 concurrent sessions, with 1,100 educators in attendance.

With presenters traveling from districts across the region, the pressure to provide a trouble-free day that smoothly delivered the promised trainings was intense. Careful preparation would only go so far – reliable presentation technology would be critical.

The school had recently installed ViewSonic® ViewBoard® IFP7550 interactive displays in 20 classrooms. The ViewBoard displays had been received only a month prior, and the team was not yet fluent in their use. Nonetheless they determined that the ViewBoard displays were the school's best option for delivering the trainings.

The IT team's planning, preparation, and onsite presence were a key factor in the successful completion of the event. Also essential to this success was the reliability and ease of use provided by the ViewSonic ViewBoard interactive displays.

The many wired connectivity options offered by the ViewBoard displays, along with the easy-to-use screen sharing offered by the myViewBoard® software

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## SOLUTION

- ▶ Planning and preparation, plus reliable tech
- ▶ ViewSonic ViewBoard IFP7550 interactive displays

## RESULTS

- ▶ All presenters were able to quickly connect via HDMI, USB, VGA or content casting
- ▶ Presenters easily accessed internet content
- ▶ ViewBoard tools enabled easy annotation of websites and presentation content
- ▶ The event went smoothly with no technical issues or complaints



ensured that every presenter was able to easily connect to the displays and begin presenting on time and without technical glitches. Critically, this was the case regardless the type of device a presenter arrived with, as well as for those that didn't bring a laptop. These empty-handed presenters were able to use the built-in Android browser on the ViewBoard display to connect to the internet and access their content.



Several presenters familiar with the ViewBoard functions enhanced their messages by using the display's integrated capabilities to annotate on top of content to highlight their messages. One used the integrated quiz capabilities to engage the audience. Others were able to use the intuitive interface to annotate even though this was the first time they had encountered a ViewBoard display. Finally, trainers were able to use the myViewBoard software to record their presentations and make them available to those unable to attend the sessions.

In particular, there were a number of features within the myViewBoard software that both the IT team and the trainers enjoyed:

- **Interactive Learning:** myViewBoard Whiteboard offers interactive learning tools such as throw, quizzes, and polling features, which helped enhance the presentations and make the PD training more interactive and engaging.
- **Remote Management:** myViewBoard Manager provides remote device management, allowing IT teams to monitor, manage, and troubleshoot devices from a central location. This enabled the IT team to address any technical issues that arose during the event quickly without being physically present at different locations.
- **Easy-to-use Screen Sharing:** myViewBoard Display is designed to be user-friendly, making it easy for both presenters and participants to share content easily and quickly. The intuitive interface had helped the teachers become fluent in the use of the ViewBoard displays quickly, reducing the time and resources required for training and setup.
- **Review and Share:** With the myViewBoard lesson recording feature, educators can record their lessons and make them available for review and reinforcement. People who couldn't attend the training can revisit the lessons at their convenience, which made training more effective for the 1,100 attendees.

By the end of the day the IT team had received many positive comments about the presentation technology from presenters, attendees, and BOCES members who were impressed by the ease, responsive touchscreen, and vibrance of the ViewSonic ViewBoard interactive displays. The highly-anticipated event concluded without a single complaint.