

CALIFORNIA STATE SCIENCE FAIR 2015 PROJECT SUMMARY

Name(s) **Project Number** Rachel A. Sragovicz 35071 **Project Title** If You Give a Kid an iPad **Abstract Objectives/Goals** The purpose of this experiment was to determine the effect of technology in ea childhood education. The focus of this experiment was to evaluate if the hnology a child uses at home affects how they learn. Methods/Materials Methods: Test 75 children between the ages of two and four. Divide them into groups based on technology usage at home. Each child is given one electronic test and one verbal test. In the electronic test the children were asked 5 questions using an app called EduPaint on a mini Pad. The verbal test consisted of five questions and asked similar questions to those of the electronic test, by the questions were verbally asked by the tester. Materials needed: Electronic products where the app's available, 5 question verbal test worksheet based on child#s age. **Results** There was no correlation found between the technology group#s realts. However, the 2 year olds had the highest overall average and the 4 year olds had the lowest. The four year olds also had the highest range of electronic and verbal results, which were 59 and 73, respectively. **Conclusions/Discussion** The results of the experiment did not support the hypothesis. The test scores did not show any relation between technology usage at home and test scores. The data showed that at a young age there is no direct correlation of amount of technology used at home and the effect it has on the test scores. However, the majority of the children scored higher on the verbal test Summary Statement he amount of technology a chid ages 2-4 uses on a daily basis at home affects how they learn at Help Received Mrs. Gillum, my teacher, my mom and mentor Marina Sragovicz, father Adam Sragovicz and sister Shayna Sragovicz.