## **Tech Tips from the Director of Technology**

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Greetings! This month I would like to share what I consider to be a valuable yet underutilized feature of the Google Suite: **Keyboard Shortcuts**:

To begin you must first make sure they are turned on.

## **Enable Keyboard shortcuts:**

- 1. Open Gmail
- 2. Click on the gear in the top right
- 3. Click "Settings"
- 4. Scroll down 16 items to "Keyboard Shortcuts" on the left
- 5. Click "Enable"
- 6. Scroll to bottom of page and "Save"

Now you can have all sorts of fun and save time as well! Here are some of my favorites.

## Email:

- Want to reply to that lengthy chained email without having to scroll all the way to the bottom? Tap "R" on your keyboard - BAM! You're instantly transported to the "Reply" box!
- Want to safely mark an email (or multiple emails) as SPAM or just delete them BEFORE you open them?
  - 1. Check the box to the left of the desired email message(s).
  - 2. Click either to mark as SPAM or move the message to trash.
- Want to type your email in a separate standalone window? Just hold the "SHIFT" down then click "Compose".

## Calendar:

- Use these to quickly change your view:
  - 1. "D","W", "M", "Y", "A"- Day, Week, Month, Year, Agenda view respectively.
  - 2. "T" Go to "Today"

These are just the tip of the iceberg. By enabling shortcuts you open the door to all sorts of time-saving features. Spend a few minutes and Google *"Keyboard Shortcuts for GMAIL"*, or any other google product, and you will soon have a few indispensable favorites of your own. Have fun!