

The purpose of the Tech-Geeks.org list is to share the intellectual and experiential capital of a group of talented technophiles...all for the betterment of instructional technology in schools. We all have opinions and preferences. As a group, it's in our best interest to honor one another, respect one another and try to maintain our integrity as professionals and colleagues.

We welcome readers and contributors who share an interest in building a community of educational technology advocates who help one another become more adept at using technology to support learning in schools. At its inception, the founders of this list embraced the philosophy that it is always in the best interest of any collaborative community to converse and correspond in a positive, polite, and professional manner. The collegiality of the group will be enhanced if we all agree to read carefully, respond thoughtfully, and reserve criticism of one another's techniques and methods.

Many use this list to learn from the experiences of others. Others use this list to share their expertise and discoveries. In all cases, the community must honor its members and their work in order to grow and flourish.

By general consensus, members of this list have made it clear that the list is **NOT** to be used for the following purposes:

- **Promoting political ideals or actions on behalf of organized political effort,**
- **Bulk-mailing conduit,**
- **Engaging in religious and/or philosophical debate,**
- **Posting objectionable or offensive material or references to such material,**
- **Posting information that would be a violation of US law, including the Digital Millennium Copyright Act of 1998, including hacks, cracks or other techniques aimed at circumventing and/or overriding copyright protections or other digital safeguards,**
- **Soliciting of members or their school districts by vendors or vendor agents,**
- **Harvesting of email addresses and/or potential clients for direct vendor contact**

Abiding by this constitution is an expectation of all members.

Respectfully,

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