

FSBA INNOVATIVE TECHNOLOGY IN EDUCATION RECOGNITION PROGRAM
2009 APPLICATION FOR RECOGNITION

Purpose: To recognize and share innovative uses of technology in school district operations.

Goals: * To display innovation in the use of technology * To improve student achievement
* To increase efficiency and/or reduce costs * To increase safety

Rules: * Application and attachment *must* be submitted electronically to melton@fsba.org.
* Written responses must be limited to *one* page and sent as an attachment to the application.
* Each district may submit only one application.
* Each application must be approved for submission by the school board.
* Applications and attachment must be submitted on or before **May 1, 2010**.

Section I: District Information

School District: Polk County, Florida

District Enrollment: Small (0-22,000) Medium (22,001-75,000) Large (75,001 and up)

Name of School or Department: Information Systems and Technology

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Kay Fields, School Board Chair

Section II: Description and Justification

Title of Innovative Technology: **Communities through Instant Communications:
Being in Two Places at Once**

Please mark the category(s) that best applies to the application of technology (*Select all that apply*):

<input type="checkbox"/>	Budget & Finance	<input type="checkbox"/>	Human Resources
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Curriculum & Instruction	<input type="checkbox"/>	Information & Data Systems
<input type="checkbox"/>	Facilities & Construction	<input type="checkbox"/>	Transportation
<input type="checkbox"/>	Food Service	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Other <u>Professional Development</u>

Please provide written responses to the following (*Responses to all items must be contained in a ONE page attachment to this Application*):

1. Describe the innovative use of technology.
2. Describe how the application of the technology will improve student achievement, increase efficiency, reduce costs, and/or increase safety.
3. Describe the data that will demonstrate improved student achievement, increased efficiency, reduced costs, and/or increased safety.

Section III: Judging and Recognition

- * The FSBA Technology Committee will review all timely submitted and complete applications.
- * Finalists will be selected from a small, medium, and large district based on best practices in the use of innovative technology.
- * Finalists will be formally recognized at the FSBA Annual Spring Conference scheduled for June 16-18, 2010 in Tampa.