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EricaS joined the room.

BJB2 cheers...Hi, Erica!

EricaS: Finally! Sorry about that. I'm still a newbie.

GailH greets Erica with applause.

BJB2: before we begin, a reminder to go to the ACTIONS menu in the top right of your chat window and click on DETACH

EricaS: Thank you, thank you!

BJB2: we start most Tapped In discussions with introductions

EricaS: Let me know when to begin.

BJB2 waits for everyone to tell us where they are located and what they do or teach

GailH: I am Gail Hoskins in Columbus OH. I am outreach coordinator for Eisenhower National Clearinghouse (ENC) and a former math teacher.

BJB2: thanks, Gail

EricaS: I am the Project Coordinator for the 4Teachers team at ALTEC. I live in Lawrence, KS.

BrendaE: Hi. I'm on the Jersey seashore. I am a former classroom teacher who recently took an assignment in the computer lab. Looking for ways to help staff integrate technology into the classrooms.

KarenConna: I am an Instructional Technology Specialist in Pennsylvania

DeborahCP: I'm located outside of Sacramento, Ca. I have been teaching first grade for the past several years, but just took a job at a Stoocton Charter School where I'll be able to use my recent degree in educational technology more fully.

SusanSi: howdy from Texas-I teach 4th grade math and science and Tx History

JudithH: Speech=language pathologist from Philadelphia suburbs

LindaBM: I teach remedial math 1-8 in Montgomery County Pa.

BridgetM: Long Island, NY, elementary special ed

JeffCoo: Education Technology Consultant and Tapped In Helpdesk, Forest Grove Oregon

PatV: school counselor, suburbs of Philadelphia

EricaS: It's nice to meet you all. Shall we get down to business?

EleanorK: I tech remedial reading to K-8 students in Mont Co PA

MaryanneF: Reading specialist K-6 PA

EricaS: Thank you all for attending this session today. I wanted to take the rest of the session to introduce you to the many free tools and resources ALTEC has to offer.

EleanorK: sounds great

EricaS: For those of you that don't know about ALTEC. ALTEC, Advanced Learning Technologies in Education Consortia, is housed in the School of Education at the University of Kansas in Lawrence, KS. We create resources, support collaboration and resource sharing, and foster alliances that help educators use the possibilities of the Internet for their students, or themselves. To pursue this goal we respond to federal and state initiated requests for proposals that support educational technology integration.

EricaS: Have any of you already heard of ALTEC?

PatV: no

MaryanneF: no

BrendaE: It is new to me.

EleanorK: No

BridgetM: yes - but have not used it much

GailH: I am familiar with some of your tools (although I didn't know name ALTEC until recently.

KarenConna shakes head no

JudithH: no

DeborahCP: Maybe?

LindaBM: no

EricaS: I'm glad to hear we have some first timers. I think you'll be really pleased to learn more about this resource. Please go to <http://altec.org> for the next 5 minutes in order to look at the site and get a feel for what we will be discussing today.

BrendaE: ok

EricaS: Meet back at 12:17.

BJB2 . o O (for our international audience, 17 minutes past the hour)

EricaS: As you probably noticed there are many different sites produced by ALTEC. I would now like to start introducing some of our All-Star tools.

EricaS: Is everyone back?

PatV: yes

GailH is here!

MaryanneF: yes

BrendaE: Here.

DeborahCP: yes

EleanorK: yes

SusanSi: present

LindaBM: yes

JudithH: yes

BridgetM: here

KarenConna: here

EricaS: Great! Kids' Vid is the first tool we will discuss.

JeffCoo . o O (altec rules!)

EricaS: Thanks Jeff!

EricaS: Video production is more than a new toy for students. It helps students create work in a new and exciting way. This is a place for serious fun. Kids' Vid is an instructional web site aimed at helping teachers and students use video production in class to support project-based learning.

KatherinMS: I'm back too. I was designing a rubric for concert behavior, cool!

EricaS: Way to go Katherine!

EricaS: Included in Kids' Vid are the following tools and resources:

JeffCoo: You're welcome. I just wanted to let everybody know that immediately following this session, Erica will be extending her presentation, taking questions and answers, etc. in my "Mr. Collaboration" breakout session. So... if you want more time for questions... help creating accounts at Trackstar, Quizstar, or Tracktalk... this will all continue after this session ends.

EricaS: Scripting: How to think about what you want in your video.

EricaS: Making the Video: Tips to help you shoot a quality video.

EricaS: Editing the Video: Tips for turning your clips into a movie.

EricaS: Showtime: Tips for showing your video on the Web or CD.

EricaS: Kids' Vid is really a wonderful site and a lot of the elbow work is done for you. Please go to <http://kidsvid.hprtec.org/> for the next 5 minutes and then meet back here to discuss.

BrendaE: Ok

EricaS: We'll meet back at 29 after the hour.

BJB2 winks...Erica is a quick learner!

EricaS Hee hee.

EricaS: Is everyone back?

DeborahCP: Here.

GailH waves.

BridgetM: I'm back

BrendaE: Back.

EricaS: Has anyone used this site before?

EricaS: Does anyone have questions about Kids' Vid?

SusanSi smiles

BethSm: new to site, no questions

BrendaE: I've never used video in this way, looks interesting.

PatV present

KarenConna: back

LindaBM: here

JudithH: Here

EleanorK: Here

BridgetM: storyboard - is that an interactive piece?

MaryanneF: I'm back

EricaS: Yes, the storyboard is all done with Flash. You drag and drop imgs to make it and type in the information. It works very smoothly.

EricaS: Are there any more questions?

BridgetM: you can edit your clips at kid's vid?

EricaS: 4Teachers is the next site we will discuss.

EricaS: You have to have an external software to edit your actual footage. Kids' Vid gives tips on how to do this.

EricaS: 4Teachers.org is your solution for finding online resources that offer ready-to-use Web lessons and online assessment tools. Discover valuable professional development resources addressing issues such as equity, ELL, technology planning, and at-risk or special-needs students

EricaS: Some of the most popular tools at 4Teachers are:

EricaS: RubiStar which creates rubrics for you by offering rubric templates in English or Spanish that can be customized to fit your specific needs.

EricaS: QuizStar allows you to create a custom quiz that your students can take online. Questions can be true or false, multiple choice, and short answer. You can also upload audio, images, and movies to your quiz.

EricaS: TrackStar allows teachers to create interactive lessons online. Simply collect Web sites, enter them into TrackStar, add annotations for the students, and you have an interactive, online lesson called a Track.

EricaS: NoteStar assists students with taking notes from online sources. This tool allows them to organize their notes, and even assists them in making an MLA or APA bibliography page.

EricaS: Have any of you used these tools or other tools at 4teachers?

KarenConna nods

JudithH: no

LindaBM: all is new to me

BrendaE: Yes.

SusanSi nods

PatV shakes head no

GailH nods.

BrendaE: I've used Rubistar

BridgetM: rubi-star

BethSm: I have used rubistar

KatherinMS: puts hands up and shrugs shoulders

GailH has been on the receiving end of TrackStar.

EricaS: Yes, RubiStar is by far our most popular tool. Rightly so, I think.

EricaS winks at Gail

EricaS: There are many, many more tools and resources located at 4Teachers.org, please take the next 5 minutes to look around the site.

EricaS: <http://www.4teachers.org/>

EricaS: Meet back at 43 past the hour.

BJB2 wonders if Erica synchronized clocks?

EricaS: Glad to know I'm on target.

BJB2 grins

GailH wonders if Project Based Learning (PBL) has a math part (or will have)?

EricaS: Has everyone returned?

BridgetM waves

KarenConna: Here

LindaBM: all here

PatV nods yes

EmilyW: I am here

KatherinMS: love the standards

MaryanneF: here

JudithH: hiya

SusanSi: yes

EricaS: Does anyone have questions about 4Teachers or comments to make?

ChristinPC: yes

EleanorK: Yes

ChristinPC: I was answering yes to being here

MaryanneF: very interesting!

BrendaE: Has anyone used this tool?

BrendaE: Looks great.

JudithH: I like Think Tank

EricaS: I know that you might all feel overwhelmed with the amount of information, but I wanted to flood you all quickly so that you could get your feet wet

EmilyW: I like trackstar, worksheet wizard, and project poster (I just discovered the last two)

EricaS: If there aren't any questions I'll go ahead and introduce 4Kids.

MaryanneF: thanks

EricaS: Yes, the last two tools Emily listed make Web pages for teachers and students without them having to know HTML.

EricaS: 4Kids is another ALTEC site.

EricaS: This is your link to the latest techKNOWLEDGEy on the Web. Here kids can find fun and educational games and articles on the Internet. This multifaceted site has also appeared in hardcopy form in newspapers around the world since 1996. There is also a kid safe search engine called Cool Spots.

EricaS: Please take the next 5 minutes to look around the site <http://www.4kids.org>

EricaS: We'll meet back at 54 after the hour.

EmilyW left the room.

EricaS: Is everyone back? Are there any questions?

KarenConna: back

BethSm: yes

KatherinMS: back

ChristinPC: back

BrendaE: yes

GailH waves.

PatV: yes

LindaBM: Good site

JudithH: fun

KatherinMS: fun

BridgetM waves

MaryanneF: need more time

EricaS: Thanks for the comments. Yes, more time is definitely needed!

BJB2: two comments on that, Maryanne...

GailH: There is a lot of content everywhere we go!

BJB2: one is that Erica is extending this session in Jeff C's office...

MaryanneF: thank you!

EricaS: Yes, come to Jeff for pure discussion next!

BJB2: and two, Festival is designed to give you a sample of the events that Tapped In has....

BJB2: Erica is planning on having a monthly event in Tapped In once her schedule settles down

BridgetM: great!

EricaS: Yes and yes! ALTEC is trying to set up a monthly session - each focusing on something different.

EricaS: ProfilerPRO is the final tool I wanted to introduce you to today. We won't have time to look at it but here's a description to give you an idea of its capacity.

BrendaE: Erica, you did a really nice job of guiding us through some of the possibilities. Thank you.

EricaS: ProfilerPRO inspires cooperation and collaboration among teachers to help them improve their skills around a general topic. Use ProfilerPRO to create your own surveys. Use it to strengthen your school district's ability to share expertise. For example, participants can take a survey to assess technology abilities and find someone who can help you strengthen these skills within your school.

MaryanneF: This was a great intro!

GailH: Yes, and the transcript of this session will be helpful too. You had a lot to cover!

EricaS: Thank you again for coming to this session. If anyone wants to continue the conversation I am going to the Mr. Collaboration session right now in Jeff

LindaBM: Thank you Erica. Gave me a lot to look into at a later date

DeborahCP: Thanks Erica.