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KarenConna: Martin, do you use TI with your students at all?

MartinR: No, I just started using TI myself

KarenConna: great - you'll see some nice features that can be used by students here

KarenConna: Welcome

BjB hopes everyone has their permission slips signed

EmilyW: lol

KarenConna nods

MichaelRu: are we there yet?

BjB laughs

EmilyW: lol again

KarenConna: This will be a real treat for me as I haven't used the K12 campus yet

EmilyW: I haven't either

KarenConna: But Brooke uses it with her 2nd grade students

BjB: let's start by giving everyone a name tag. Can you please tell me where you are located and what you teach or do?

KarenConna: Sure

BjB: I'm an art teacher in Pennsylvania and a helpdesk volunteer for Tapped In

KarenConna: I'm an educational technology specialist at an Intermediate Unit in PA

BrookeM: I teach Second Grade in Maryland...soon to be third

EmilyW: I am in TX, I hope to be a web designer, instructional designer, or educational technologist for a school

MartinR: I've taught special ed. in Las Vegas for 10 years but will be teaching P.E. next year.

BjB: I love the idea of looping...really gives you a chance to grow with your students.

MichaelRu: NY, technology integration teacher (or, educational technology specialist, or whatever title fits the job)

BjB: Martin, there is a PE and Technology Group you might want to join. I can give you more info on that later if you like.

BjB smiles. Thanks, Michael

MartinR: Sounds good to me.

KarenConna: Susan, where are you located?

BjB: Sue?

SusanR: Ottawa, Ontario

BjB: This session is billed as a tour of the K-12 Student Campus

SusanR: and taught grade one/two for the longest time

BjB: some of you are more familiar with the SAC (Student Activity Center) than others...

BjB: so I'm going to give you a general idea of what can be done in the SAC before we actually go there

KarenConna nods

BjB: the SAC is a safe and secure place for teachers to bring their K-12 Students...

BjB: Teachers create the group room and assign usernames and passwords for their students

BjB: When the students log in they land in the group room

BjB: they are able to enter the studios in the SAC and the lobbies, but they are not able to enter any other group rooms or any other Tapped In buildings

KarenConna: question?

BjB . o O (the teacher can also choose a setting that will keep the students in the group room)

BjB: yes, Karen?

KarenConna: you just answered my question

JoeTA joined the room.

BjB smiles. Mind reading is a helpdesk pre-requisite

KarenConna: lol

KarenConna: Hi Joe - Welcome

BjB: students can send private messages to other members of their group

JoeTA: Hi Karen

BjB: but not to other students who are not in their group

BrookeM: they can only do that if you enter an email right?

EmilyW: do students see other students logged in who are not in their group? (like how we see the online tab)

BjB: when the student logs out, the teacher receives a transcript of the student's dialogue...including the private messages

BjB: Emily, they can see others who are in the SAC, but not in any other building

EmilyW: that's what I meant

BjB: Brooke, if you enter the student's email they will get the transcript

BrookeM: what about messages?

KarenConna: can they private message those in the SAC or only those in thier group room

EmilyW: are they allowed to find other users in SAC and message them?

BjB: private messages are included in all transcripts

BrookeM nods and they are fun to read as well

BjB: Karen, they can only pm those in their own group

BjB: questions?

KarenConna: I'm good

SusanR . o O (would be nice to disable the function of PM)

BjB: actually, Sue, it comes in handy for the teacher ...

SusanR: younger students..it's cute

EmilyW: I bet it is fun to read the transcripts for pm

SusanR: older students..not sure

BrookeM: it is cute Susan

MichaelRu: so, the group is something like this ASO room - that is the only place they can go?

BjB: who can send a pm to a student if they are not participating or need a little scaffolding

KarenConna: I bet the fact that you get the transcripts helps to keep the kids responsible

BjB: right, Michael

BjB: yes, Karen, some teachers forward the scripts to parents

BjB: or forward to the students for editing

KarenConna: ahhh, that's a great idea

BjB . o O (depends on the grade level)

BrookeM thinks it also is fun to see what the parents type

KarenConna: and parents can then see not only what the students are doing, but their learning

BrookeM one can always tell it wasn't a kid

BjB nods to Karen. Everyone ready to board the bus?

BrookeM: yeup! I got my seat belt on

BjB: to get to the SAC click on the TAPPED IN tab at the top of your screen

KarenConna: yes

BjB . o O (guests are not able to go to the SAC, btw)

BjB: at the top of the campus map is a text link to the k-12 student campus

BjB: when you click on that you will see a link to the SAC

BrookeM left the room.

MartinR left the room.

MichaelRu left the room.

JoeTA left the room.

KarenConna left the room.

BjB left the room.

Room: Student Activity Center Reception

BjB joined the room.

MichaelRu: whew - what a hike!

BjB: wow! You're good!

SusanR joined the room.

BjB: let's take a look at the information that is in this room

EmilyW joined the room.

BjB: the welcome screen is what you see when you enter any room

KarenConna listens

BjB: if you own the room, you determine what is on the welcome screen

BjB: the whiteboard note is pretty self explanatory

BjB: I saved the posts to the whiteboard because I thought they would give you a good idea of some of the uses for student group rooms

BjB: Under Featured Passageways you will see links or passageways (the door icon is a passageway) to the five studios

BrookeM left the room.

BrookeM joined the room.

KarenConna: welcome back Brooke

BrookeM was daydreaming

BjB: the studios are open rooms. Any group can enter a studio. Sometimes people will invite a guest speaker and rather than go through inviting them to join the group, will meet with the guest speaker in one of the studios

BjB . o O (or several groups can meet to hear a speaker)

BjB: or the studios can be used for small break out rooms for teams or small groups to work on project based lessons

KarenConna: How often do teachers have guest speakers in one of the studios?

BjB: I wouldn't know, Karen.

KarenConna: do they advertise this somehow, or do you need to know the teacher to be aware this is happening?

BjB: ahhh...I see what you are asking

KarenConna: thinking of our calendar in regular TI

BjB: usually, what would happen is that two teachers from different schools would be collaborating ...each would have their own student group room

BjB: but they would have the students work together in a studio

EmilyW: having guest speakers for student groups is such a great idea

KarenConna nods to Emily

BjB: it's not that a guest speaker would necessarily be presenting to all the student groups

KarenConna: I'm just thinking it might be kind of cool to have speakers every now and then that any student could attend

BjB: I agree, Karen and I'm going to show you how to work on something like that once we get done with the field trip

KarenConna nods excitedly

BjB: for now, let's click on ON THIS FLOOR under Welcome in the blue menu

BjB: that shows you all the studios...another passageway option

BjB: now click on IN THIS BUILDING

BjB: and click on the passageway to the SAC Groups Lobby

MichaelRu left the room.

BrookeM left the room.

JoeTA left the room.

BjB left the room.

Room: SAC 2 Lobby

BjB joined the room.

MartinR joined the room.

KarenConna joined the room.

SusanR joined the room.

BjB: now click on ON THIS FLOOR

BjB: you'll see that there are quite a few groups

KarenConna . o O (there are lots of groups)

BjB: Brooke has graciously allowed us to visit her Flower Valley group room

EmilyW joined the room.

KarenConna claps for Brooke

BrookeM: I cleaned!

BjB: so let's take a look at that room. The easiest way for us to get there is to join Brooke

SusanR: Neat..I had a preview the other day

BrookeM: ok I guess follow me

BrookeM left the room.

MartinR left the room.

BjB: when you see Brooke leave this room, click on the ONLINE tab to the left of the chat window, single click on Brooke M and then click on the door icon

SusanR left the room.

JoeTA left the room.

MichaelRu left the room.

KarenConna left the room.

BjB left the room.

Room: FVES2 Group

BjB joined the room.

EmilyW joined the room.

BrookeM: WELCOME!

BjB: If you read the May Tapped In newsletter, there was a delightful article by Brooke

BjB . o O (on her 2nd grade class in Tapped In)

BrookeM: Ok well here is my room

BrookeM: I set it up like I do my classroom

BrookeM: rules and expectations began our quest

BrookeM: we did three projects in here this year

BrookeM: mostly reading and writing

BjB: Thanks, Brooke! It's a treat to read the discussion threads

BrookeM: 1 spiders

BrookeM: 2 pandas

BrookeM: 3 parks

BrookeM: you can really see the kids' growth through the projects

BjB: o O (as guests to the group room, we are not able to add or change anything in the room)

KarenConna: what do the students enjoy most about using Tapped In?

BrookeM: they just aren't labeled well

BrookeM: they like reading the discussion board

BrookeM: I put it up on the LCD projector and we talk about each post

BjB: Brooke created folders to keep the topic threads organized

KarenConna: do they use it during school time or after school?

BrookeM: they like commenting and helping kids do better

BrookeM: BOTH

BrookeM: I cant keep them out

KarenConna: how about parents?

BrookeM: they go on with the kids

KarenConna: what comments have they made about it?

BrookeM: I now have another room...for a summer reading project

BrookeM: they are always in there

BrookeM: they leave me messages

BrookeM: and chat with one another

BrookeM: they are just figuring out the chat

KarenConna: can they chat during school?

BrookeM: the parents think it is neat and that is about it

BrookeM: they support my summer reading project cause the kids had to get parental permission to be in it

EmilyW: this is so neat that 2nd graders can do this

EmilyW: I am reading the discussions

BrookeM: they can't chat at school...it is filtered out

KarenConna: will you have office hours during the summer when they can chat with you?

SusanR: How many students, Brooke

BrookeM: I might

BjB: some schools do block chat, so this is something to consider

BrookeM: I have 16 of my 23

KarenConna: so they can only chat at home

BrookeM: I am graduating in July soo maybe after that

KarenConna: will they all read the same books?

BrookeM: hey follow me a kid is in my other room!

KarenConna: okay

BrookeM: we can ask them

KarenConna: follow Brooke

BrookeM left the room.

MartinR left the room.

MichaelRu left the room.

BjB left the room.

Room: FVESSR Group

BjB joined the room.

KarenConna joined the room.

EmilyW joined the room.

SusanR joined the room.

BrookeM: it is Ms Molnar and her friends

BjB waves hi

JoeTA joined the room.

KarenConna waves

EmilyW waves

BrookeM: Angela you can talk with us

MSR02St: Hi

BrookeM: I am showing them what good students we have

BrookeM: now Angela was not part of my reading class

KarenConna: It is nice to meet you Angela

BjB: do you enjoy using Tapped In, Angela?

BrookeM: she picked up on this with the summer project

BrookeM: if you go to the discussion board you can see her posts

BrookeM: and how she responds to me

BrookeM: Angela is it thundering by you?

EmilyW is reading right now

BrookeM: it is here!

BrookeM: Angela had her first chat the other day with a little boy in my class

BrookeM: I saw her transcript and it was pretty cool

BjB: Angela, I really like the answers you gave to Ms. Molner's questions!

MSR02St: thanks

BrookeM gives Angela one of her winks

BrookeM: Angela it is pretty cool you are showing off the room

BrookeM: can you tell me what you like so far about our summer project?

KarenConna: yes, Angela. WE appreciate that you don't mind us being here with you

SusanR enjoys Angela's responses.

BrookeM: Angela ...Karen is my friend who did our podcasts

MSR02St: really?

KarenConna: Yes, Angela. It was fun to do the podcasts for you

KarenConna: And now I get to meet you

KarenConna: how nice

BrookeM: ok as you look around

BrookeM: I have posted links for the kids

BrookeM: files for them with the books to read

BrookeM: I have to update it though

BrookeM: photos to keep them excited

BrookeM: and simple notes for them as they enter

BrookeM: I change it up almost every day

KarenConna: how much time do you estimate you spend keeping the room updated?

BrookeM: about 20 minutes

BrookeM: it is quick

BrookeM: I did a lot already and I have some bookmarked for later on

BrookeM: I don't feature everything now

KarenConna: I think the summer reading project idea is great

KarenConna: wonderful way to keep the students connected and interested

BrookeM: in the other room they began to use the white board

BrookeM: yeah and I have kids who have TI'ed b4 and some who haven't

BjB: We only have 15 minutes left and I have two other rooms I'd like to share

BrookeM: Angela was not part of my other project

SusanR: do you have an assessment component?

BrookeM: so she has taken to it

KarenConna: Thanks for letting us visit Brooke and Angela!

BjB: Thanks again, Angela, for sharing the room with us

MSR02St: bye

JoeTA: Bye, Angela

BjB: everyone click on OUT TO SAC2 LOBBY

JoeTA left the room.

MichaelRu left the room.

BrookeM left the room.

BjB left the room.

Room: SAC2 Lobby

BjB joined the room.

KarenConna joined the room.

SusanR joined the room.

EmilyW joined the room.

BjB: under featured passageways is Teens for TI

BrookeM left the room.

JoeTA left the room.

KarenConna left the room.

SusanR left the room.

MichaelRu left the room.

EmilyW left the room.

BjB left the room.

Room: Teens For TI Group

BjB joined the room.

BjB: This group room is actually the room for teen helpdesk volunteers for Tapped In

BjB: teachers have to recommend a student for membership to the group

KarenConna: do you have many student volunteers?

BjB: not yet. We do have two who have been fairly active

BjB: Dave Sasso is 15. He joined as a TI member when he was 13...charmed me into letting him get a regular membership

KarenConna smiles

BjB: since then he's learned how to do helpdesk and has offered to lead tours here in the group room on Festival day

BjB: Jeff is working on coordinating this event

KarenConna: great opportunity for him to develop his leadership skills. student volunteers are a great idea

EmilyW: wasn't there another student involved?

BjB: thanks, Karen. I'm excited about it and when teachers get a little more comfortable here, I think they'll be more willing to recommend students

BjB: yes, Emily

BjB . o O (can't think of his name. Dave was my first love)

BjB: ok...just wanted to make you aware of this opportunity

BjB: now we're going to go to the K-12 Students for TI group room

EmilyW: I just looked it up

BjB . o O (which is back in the main TI building.)

KarenConna . o O (I have a few students from my student leadership group that this might be good for)

BjB listens to Emily

EmilyW: the other is Patrick

BjB nods...yep. Patrick Carr

BjB: thanks

BjB: to get to the K-12 room, we have to go back to the main campus

BjB: so use your favorite places drop down menu

BjB: and go to TI Reception

SusanR left the room.

MichaelRu left the room.

JoeTA left the room.

KarenConna left the room.

BjB left the room.

Room: TI Reception

BjB joined the room.

BjB: now...click on SEARCH in the top right

BjB: and then click on GROUPS

BjB: enter K-12 Students

BjB: and click on the green i next to K-12 students when you get a match

BrookeM joined the room.

BjB: if you're not a member of the group, you can join it now. If you don't want to join you can still go to the group room

EmilyW joined the room.

BjB: scroll down to the passageway to the group room

MichaelRu left the room.

KarenConna left the room.

JoeTA left the room.

SusanR left the room.

BjB left the room.

Room: K-12 Student Group

BjB joined the room.

BrookeM joined the room.

EmilyW joined the room.

BjB: there are many resources in this room for teachers interested in bringing in their students

BjB: the discussion board is rich in ideas

KarenConna nods

MichaelRu nods also - neat

BjB: whew! and the big hand is straight up...does anyone have any questions?

KarenConna: This was Great!

KarenConna: Thank you BJ

BrookeM: Thanks!

BjB: you're welcome

KarenConna: I've discovered quite a bit I didn't know about the K-12 opportunities

MichaelRu: thanks for a great tour - I'm pooped!

JoeTA: This was time well spent. It's been quite interesting.

KarenConna: lol

BrookeM: I learned some tricks as well

BjB: the opportunities are only limited by your imagination

EmilyW: I am glad I learned more about k-12 campus

KarenConna: Joe, you are welcome to join our SIGTC group

KarenConna: SIGTC is for technology educators, coordinators and support

EmilyW: (now maybe I can answer some questions in helpdesk)

BjB: Karen, you might want to open the SIGTC group like Marielle did this group room

JoeTA: Thank you.

SusanR: A fascinating experience

BjB: so people can visit and see what your group has to offer

KarenConna: Yes BJ, I will

MarielleP joined the room.

BjB: thanks, Marielle!

KarenConna: I keep forgetting to do that

SusanR: the K to 12 student campus has come along way over the past year

BrookeM: Thanks again! I have to get to class

BrookeM: night everyone!

BjB agrees with Sue

MarielleP: Sure.

BjB waves bye

BrookeM left the room.

KarenConna: Thanks everyone for joining this tour

KarenConna: be sure to visit our SIGTC event in July....

KarenConna: Highlights from the National Computing Convention

KarenConna: I have another meeting I have to get to

BjB: Karen and I will be at NECC

JoeTA: Good bye. Time to lock this place up

KarenConna waves bye

MichaelRu: Are there any Tapped In events at NECC?

BjB waves bye to everyone. Thanks for joining the tour

BjB: no, Michael, but I'm joining Karen and her husband for a PA Birds of a Feather

BjB: and I'll be there to talk about Tapped In

BjB: David Weksler will be doing another BoF on Math

BjB: and he'll be presenting information about Tapped In too

BjB: so please look us up and say hi...always nice to put a face to a name

MichaelRu: I'm at the MarcoPolo BoF, but I will try to track you down - thanks.

BjB: cool. Are all the Bof at the same time?

MichaelRu: Yes (I'm pretty sure) too many birds in one place...

BjB . o O (Karen's is Wednesday 4:45-5:45)

MichaelRu: uh-huh - that's the time

BjB . o O (I'll have to find a feather boa to wear)

MichaelRu: thanks again for tonight - see you soon

BjB: David is making plans to have a group dinner somewhere...we'll post to the message board

BjB waves bye. My pleasure