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Welcome back, and to the 4th edition of **TIPS, The Feed**, for 2005-06! This accumulator contains blog content created by **Technology Resource Teachers** from the **Office of Instructional Technology**, covering a variety of topics and interests concerning the integration of technology into instruction.

**TIPS - The Editor's Desk**

Brief musings on the implementation of technology integration in Fayette County Schools...from the Office of Instructional Technology



...from the desk of Jeffrey L. Jones, Site Admin

**Wednesday, January 04, 2006 1:04 PM: Sharepoint!**

**Fayette County announces a new content management system!**

Slated to take over the Fayette County Intranet, **Sharepoint Services** provides support for a powerful online content management system. This site will provide threaded discussion, document sharing, scheduling, and other online tools. It will be available to anyone in Fayette County, from a district-wide office to an individual teacher. The system is still in pilot, but the following sites are available right now:



- **Teacher Learning Communities** (<http://sharepoint.fcps.net/lc/>) : Spaces dedicated to the sharing of resources and documents between teachers, sorted by grade level (elementary) or subject area (secondary).
- **School Intranets**: Interactive content management for your school, accessible only to teachers (see your STC for details).
- **IAKSS** (<http://sharepoint.fcps.net/iakss/>): Many departments have content sites already set up, and these resources will be expanding.

See the Sharepoint Feedback/Help page (<http://sharepoint.fcps.net/help/>) for more details, and to request your site!

...for more, visit this blog at <https://edtech.fcps.net/blog/blogs.aspx?blogid=10067>

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**The Forum Blog**

The Forum Blog (and other e-communication stuff)



...from the desk of Leanna Prater

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**Wednesday, January 04, 2006 9:25 AM: Peer Conferencing in the Forum**

Have you been wondering about new ways for students and teachers to conference on writing pieces? Forums can provide an interesting portal for communication on student writing. Students can type pieces directly into the forum environment or copy and paste the piece from word into the forum text box. Teachers and students can reply to the author with their comments. The author has a log of comments to refer to and can edit their writing directly in the forum. Teachers can note the day and time the piece was edited since it appears and the bottom of the posting. Pieces can be copied and pasted from the forum back into word for publishing

Joy Buckingham, the technology teacher at Athens Elementary, had great success using the forums for peer conferencing last year. Her forum will be one to watch.

...for more, visit this blog at <https://edtech.fcps.net/blog/blogs.aspx?blogid=122>

**Website of the week**

People who surf the web come across some great sites! I plan on posting my finds here.

**Wednesday, January 04, 2006 9:38 AM: Westward Ho!**

Looking for a memorable experience traveling west with your students? This site recreates the Oregon Trail virtually. Everything from trail meetings and campfire meetings to fate cards and sidetrips. Participation is free, but registration is required. The journey begins soon!

*...from the desk of Leanna  
Prater*

Project Dates: January 17 - February 17, 2006

Registration and project information: <http://www.cyberbee.com/wwho/>

*...for more, visit this blog at <https://edtech.fcps.net/blog/blogs.aspx?blogid=696>*



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