



a free, voluntary
conference hosted
by the New Trier
Township schools
dedicated to
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2009

Collabocon 2009 **November 7** 8:30 AM–12:30 PM
MARIE MURPHY SCHOOL Avoca School District 37
Register at <http://collabocon.wikispaces.com>



Teachers! Work with your township colleagues and learn about innovative collaboration strategies.

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November 7, 2009

Marie Murphy School

Avoca School District 37

2921 Illinois Road in Wilmette

8:30 A.M. – 12:30 P.M.

4 hours CPDU credit

**FREE REGISTRATION
AND LUNCH**

Agenda

8:30–9:15 A.M.

Check in, Meet & Greet, Welcome

9:30–10:15 A.M.

Breakout Session 1

10:30–11:15 A.M.

Breakout Session 2

11:30 A.M.–12:30 A.M.

Lunch & "Birds of a Feather"
grade-level discussions

Conference Strands & Breakout Sessions

Collaborative Professional Networks

Collaborative Presentations

Collaborative Document Creation

Collaborative Communication

**Breakout Session
Descriptions**

Collaborative Professional Networking

This session is all about helping you develop your own "Professional"/"Personal Learning Network." As stated by David Warlick, "There is nothing new about personal learning networks. They are the people and information sources that help you accomplish your goals, either on the job or in your personal pursuits. Today, however, new techniques for organizing digital networked information have enabled us to fashion new kinds of networks that extend far beyond our immediate location and face-to-face connections and to grow our networks based not on explicit decisions, but through the ideas of other 'people and resources' whose ideas intersect with ours." Let's break down the classroom and school walls and create a network of like-minded professionals from whom we can learn and share ideas!

Collaborative Presentations

This session will help you learn new ways that students and colleagues can collaboratively create and share presentations both within and outside of your classroom. Learn from fellow teachers about ways the township is using this 21st century technology to bring your students' experiences to a global level.

Collaborative Document Creation

This session will offer strategies, successes, and safe practices for integrating Google applications into classroom activities and team sharing. Learn how staff and students in local schools are co-authoring, viewing and collaborating on documents, spreadsheets, and presentations in real-time with a free, web-based application.

Collaborative Communication

This session will focus on utilizing free tools on the Internet for communicating collaboratively with others. See how one school district is using blogs to share student work, giving students ownership of their work, and fostering responsible use of the Internet for communication. Learn how video conferencing and private chat rooms are bringing authors, career professionals, and students from around the world into classrooms. Dabble with online whiteboard technology to create collaborative flowcharts and communicate with your students as they are thinking through a project. It's all about communication!

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