

# **Implementing Technology: Using Classroom Control System Software in Instruction**

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## **Classroom Control System Options**

- ACRL Instruction Section, Instructional Technologies Committee review of 13 products by 11 criteria  
[www.ala.org/ala/acrlbucket/is/iscommittees/webpages/teachingmethods/classroomcontrol.cfm](http://www.ala.org/ala/acrlbucket/is/iscommittees/webpages/teachingmethods/classroomcontrol.cfm)

## **ISU Milner Library's selection process**

- Considered all the products reviewed by the ACRL IS web site – spring semester 2004
- Narrowed it down to two finalists: CrossTech NetOp School and NetSupport School
- Chose NetSupport School because of the surveying feature and the ability to track applications used by students

## **NetSupport School**

- <http://www.netsupportschool.com> - fantastic web site!
- initial investment – approximately \$35 a computer
- annual maintenance fee – approximately \$9 a computer

## **NetSupport School – Surveying Feature**

- allows for real-time responses in a multiple choice, true/false format
- voting results can be portrayed for patrons to see
- questions can be entered beforehand or created easily on the fly
- potential uses: diagnostic, attention grabber and evaluative

## **NetSupport School – Other Instruction-Related Features**

- focusing on just a couple of the many possible features
- classroom management (aka “control”) features
  - Lock/Unlock
  - Blank All
  - Power On/Power Off
- *Show Menu* – sharing features
  - Show – sends instructor station screen to all patron computers
  - Exhibit – sends particular patron computer screen to all other patron computers)