Other States Service Information

Statewide Service Evaluation

The following sites provide evidence of services that are provided to their educational communities. Please evaluate one of the sites based on the following (include the URL address(es) resources within your site's information):

- Network Nebraska -- http://www.networknebraska.net/
- Kansas' KANREN-- http://www.kanren.net/
- Missouri's MOREnet-- http://www.more.net
- Michigan's MERIT-- http://www.merit.edu/about/
- Utah's UEN-- http://www.uen.org/
- Washington's K20 Network-- http://www.wa-k20.net/index.php?

Site Evaluation Process:
> What is the name of the Network:
> What is purpose of the statewide network?
> What basic services are provided through statewide service?
> What advanced services are provided through statewide service?
> What are the joining requirements?
> What are the membership fees?
> What organizations are supported through statewide service?
> How many members are participants in each organization?
> How would you evaluate their website? (use NNWebsiteSurveySummary)
>> - Use NNWebsiteSurveySummary for ideas for evaluation
>> - Navigation/Layout
>> - Views
>> - Colors
>> - Dynamic Content
>> - Portal option

Below is a brief summary about the listed statewide sites

MOREnet - http://www.more.net/

MOREnet links Missouri to a world of knowledge through a statewide research and education network. Schools, public libraries, academic institutions and state agencies linked to the network have access to a secure broadband Internet connection, staff training, technical support and electronic resources, making equitable access possible across Missouri.

MOREnet Services Provided - http://www.more.net/content/services-included-membership

MOREnet Joining Requirements and Fees:

Organization	Joining Requirements	Fee Structure
K-12	Coming Soon	Fees - http://www.more.net/content/k-12-tnp-fy11-fees
Post-Secondary	Joining - http://www.more.net/content/joining-merc	Fees - http://www.more.net/content/merc-fee-schedule
Libraries	Joining - http://www.more.net/content/joining-real	Fees - http://www.more.net/content/real-fee-schedule
Affiliates	Joining - http://www.more.net/content/joining-affiliates	Fees - http://www.more.net/content/fee-schedule-1

KanREN (http://www.kanren.net/) provides cutting-edge network based services for advanced education and research environments, including:

- Quality of Service (QoS)
- Multiprocol Label Switching (MPLS)
- Multicast
- Internet Protocol version 6 (IPv6)
- Industry-standard Layer 3 BGP Peering
- Q-in-Q VLAN Transport
- Virtual Leased Lines (VLLs)
- Virtual Private LAN Servcies (VPLS)
- Layer 3 BGP-enabled Virtual Private Networks (L3 VPNs)
- Commodity services include Internet access and hosting services

KanREN network solutions are delivered via Kansas' most efficient education network architecture; backed by unmatched technical expertise and support.

KanREN Sites:

- Member Information - http://www.kanren.net/member_info/index.shtml
- Current Rates - http://www.kanren.net/member_info/rates.shtml
- KanREN Members - http://www.kanren.net/about/members.shtml

Michigan - http://www.merit.edu/about/

Merit Network, Inc. is a nonprofit, member-owned organization formed in 1966 to design and implement a computer network between public universities in Michigan. After 40 years of innovation, Merit continues to provide high-performance networking and services to the research and education communities in Michigan and beyond.

Merit continues to leverage its experience managing NSFNet, the precursor to the modern Internet, to catapult Michigan into the forefront of networking technologies. Merit has implemented a 10G bps backbone and is in the process of implementing it across Michigan to continue to provide a flexible, robust architecture to support the research and education needs. The 10G bps is completely self-funded. Merit received no legislative dollars to support the effort.

Merit believes in the strength of a robust educational community. By connecting organizations, building relationships and sharing services, educational institutions can achieve far more together than they can alone.

Utah Education Network - http://www.uen.org/
Organization - The Utah Education Network is a consortium of public education partners, including the Utah System of Higher Education and its ten universities and colleges; the Utah State Office of Education, local school districts and the Utah Electronic High School and; the state's Library system.

Mission - We network to create educational opportunities, connect citizens, and collaborate with partners, serving Utah communities.

Vision - Be Utah's most recognized, trusted, and accessible partner for innovation in educational technology.

Services - The Utah Education Network (UEN) helps provide Utah learners access to high quality, 21st century educational resources through six service areas:

- Wide Area Network (WAN) for Utah's public schools, higher education, public libraries and state government
- Educational Web resources such as online libraries and other educational tools
- A statewide distance learning delivery system to improve access to educational opportunity to all Utahns
- Enterprise-level software licensing and applications
- Professional Development workshops that help teachers keep their skills sharp and credentials current
- Instructional programming broadcast on UEN-TV Channel 9.1 and international programming on Channel 9.2

- Member Sties - http://www.uen.org/districts/index.shtml

Washington K-20 Education Network - http://www.wa-k20.net/index.php - Every day, in hundreds of locations from kindergarten classrooms to graduate school programs across the state, education professionals and students rely on the K-20 Education Network to connect, collaborate, and gain equal access to the best in local, national and global resources. We're the only high-speed, high-capacity network entirely dedicated to meeting the unique needs and diverse interests of Washington State's educational community.