

National Educational Technology Standards (NETS): Essential Conditions Poster

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Summary

Rapid advances in technology have led to profound shifts in how we live, communicate and work. To prepare our students for the world they will soon enter and for a future we cannot yet imagine, education must not only adapt to these changes but innovate. But innovating education goes far beyond just learning how to use new tools. It requires us to rethink how we teach and learn. And it calls on us to re-engineer our districts, schools and classrooms for the digital age.

The ISTE Essential Conditions are the 14 critical elements necessary to effectively leverage technology for learning. They offer educators and school leaders a research-backed framework to guide implementation of the ISTE Standards, tech planning and system-wide change. The 14 Essential Conditions are:

- Shared Vision
- Empowered Leaders
- Implementation Planning
- Consistent and Adequate Funding
- Equitable Access
- Skilled Personnel
- Ongoing Professional Learning
- Technical Support
- Curriculum Framework
- Student-Centered Learning
- Assessment and Evaluation
- Engaged Communities
- Support Policies
- Supportive External Context

This poster explains the NETS Essential Conditions in greater detail, and is perfect to hang in the classroom or staff room as a reminder of what is necessary if students, teachers and administrators are to effectively leverage technology for learning.

Other Resources

- *ISTE's Technology Facilitation and Leadership Standards (IST0970)*
- *National Educational Technology Standards for Administrators, Second Edition (IST6123)*
- *National Educational Technology Standards for Students, Second Edition (IST3896)*
- *National Educational Technology Standards for Coaches (IST2972)*