

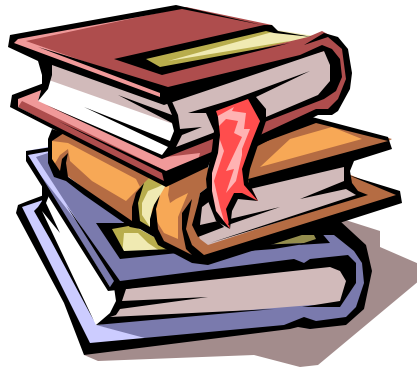
Advanced text communications for schools

OVERVIEW

Schools for the deaf and hard of hearing and schools with deaf programs have unique problems dealing with students' communications. They require creative solutions for everyday tasks such as:

- Providing a common campus-wide text communications infrastructure
- Parent-student connect from any browser, TTY device or freeware
- Supplying students and staff a means to communicate with each other and public services.

As the school and its' students increase the communications demands on existing technology and require more sophisticated communications tools, NXi's systems prove valuable in addressing communications problems of the deaf and hard of hearing.



The integration of PDA's and text pagers with existing mail and Instant Messenger (IM) programs can be complex and still fail to meet the requirements for campus-wide communications. What's more, many systems fail to scale to an enterprise-wide solution.

SEAMLESS, INTEGRATED TEXT COMMUNICATIONS -- ACROSS THE ENTERPRISE

The NTS™ client-server system provides a common, campus wide system integrating TTY, browsers, voice callers using Relay On Demand™, computers, PDA's and text pagers. The secured server resides on a publicly available network and cannot be "hacked". Clients use any of the input devices

to communicate with other users on the network with messages that can be exchanged, IM'd, forwarded, or left as mail. NTS augments existing mail systems by providing immediate connections for on-line users.

A single NTS server can scale to thousands of users and multiple servers can be employed

With the NTS system installed, a single system administered by campus IT personnel can:

- provide a common access point for TTY, browsers, voice callers using Relay On Demand™, computers, PDA's and text pagers.
- insure compliance with the accessibility requirements of Federal laws, including the ADA and Section 508 and 255 requirements.

For example, a school for the deaf could install a single server running NTS. Within a matter of days, all faculty and staff could be running Nextalk.

In the next phase, students would access Nextalk using a browser or with a downloaded Freeware version of Nextalk. Parents can communicate with their children with the same tools.

The full version of Nextalk contains a conferencing feature, allowing online faculty or student workgroups to be formed.

ISSUES

- ◆ Current systems are difficult to manage – not integrated
 - ◆ Current systems do not scale to enterprise-wide solutions
 - ◆ School administrators need the capacity for rapid notification of the student body
 - ◆ Students need an inexpensive, consistent form of text communications
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Nextalk Client Features*

- Call any other Nextalk user
- Accept calls from any other Nextalk user
- Call or accept calls from a TTY
- Receive calls from anyone on a browser
- Dial by name or dial by number
- Phone book by groups and users
- Answer, take message, don't answer
- Messages forwarded to email/pager/pda
- Group ring (administrator-defined groups)
- Sender/receiver split conversation window
- Transfer call to another Nextalk client
- 128-bit encrypted communications
- Send or receive IM or text email messages
- User preferences configuration
- Save conversation option

NXi Communications designs and produces communications products for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing to provide an integrated system for advanced text communications.

NXi's products provide text accessibility for customers such as schools and universities, call centers, and state and federal government agencies.

To learn how NXi can help your school with its' text communications needs, contact NXi.

For more information

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