



Have you considered arranging interactive Virtual Field Trips for your students?

Many SVETN schools are equipped for H.323 (IP) videoconferencing using Polycom or Tandberg equipment. The Tandberg or other codecs are particularly useful tools for providing students with a Video, or as some say, Virtual Field Trip (VFT) experience.

Listed below are several URLs where VFTs are described and can be arranged. I urge you to explore the options. There are field trips for elementary and intermediate grades as well as for high school. Many are free and those that charge are relatively low cost.

SVETN ITV classrooms provide multi-site participation. That is, your Tandberg-equipped fiber optic classroom can be operated so as to bring in a VFT from, say, a museum and allow your students to share that field trip with up to three other SVETN classrooms that DO NOT HAVE an installed Tandberg.

Also listed for your convenience are the SVETN fiber optic classrooms that are equipped with Tandberg H.323 codecs. If you need a refresher on using the Tandberg codec in your SVETN classroom, please contact me and someone from SVETN will assist you in getting ready for (or even during) your first VFT.

Some sources of Virtual Field Trips:

Tandberg Connect:

<http://www.tandberg.net/connections>

Polycom:

<http://www.polycom.com/solutions/1,,pw-12492,FF.html>

Global Leap:

<http://www.global-leap.com/>

Knowledge Network Explorer

<http://www.kn.pacbell.com/wired/vidconf/directory.cfm>

VOS <http://www.vospain.net/>
(Videoconference Organization Seminars)

Tandberg Equipped SVETN Classrooms

Appalachia High School
Carroll County High School
Gate City High School
Grayson County High School
Grundy High School
Haysi High School
J.I. Burton High School
J.J. Kelly High School
Mt. Rogers School
Patrick Henry High School
Pocahontas School
Graham High School
Richlands High School
Tazewell Career Center
Tazewell High School

Stand Alone Tandberg Classrooms

Graham Middle School
Richlands Middle School
Tazewell Middle School
Tazewell High School