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What is UEN IVC?

Formerly EDNET

- 80’s: one-way microwave delivery using existing translators in geographic areas eventually evolved into interactive (2 sites at first, up to 30 near end)

- 90’s: In the early 90’s high quality interactivity but with expensive last mile analog fiber/microwave delivery; 1 class per circuit per facility (30+ sites at first with more than 120 sites near end)

- 00’s: Then as technology advanced and the state backbone was built out had a mix of diverse microwave, analog fiber, digital satellite and 2 way mpeg over dedicated T-1 in one network (support nightmare)
What is **UEN IVC?**

Interactive Video Conferencing

- Real time two-way audio and video
- Participants in different geographic locations
- Point-to-Point
- Multipoint—multiple sites bridged together in one conference

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What is **UEN IVC?**

- 600 + registered end sites (CODECS)
- Nine (9) 40 port Codian MCUs (Multipoint Control Unit)
- Three (3) 40 port Codian High Definition MCUs
- 480 total MCU ports
- TMS (Tandberg Management Suite)
- Point-to-point connections
Different types of UEN IVC

- **UEN IVC** (formerly EDNET)
  - Classroom/conference room setting solution
  - High Definition capable
  - 8-10 end sites per event
  - 180 – 200 events per day

- Desktop conferencing
  - IVC anywhere with a PC and Internet connectivity
  - Extends a conference to your PC
  - High end VIDEO solution
  - Content sharing vs. content collaboration
Different types of UEN IVC

- Total number of connections on the UEN IVC system in a month:
  
  55,023

Different types of UEN IVC

- Wimba
  - Content collaboration solution - contact Doug Jones
    - douglasjones2000@mac.com
    - (801) 581-8360
  - One-to-many individuals, not a classroom solution
Advantages of UEN IVC

- Offers additional educational experiences not available locally (Puppetry Arts)
- Resource sharing (Baghdad Law Team)
- Record classes for later viewing (SUU)
- Professional development (Boys Town)
Advantages of UEN IVC

- Guest speakers from anywhere (Iditarod)
- Administrative collaboration (Snake Valley)
- Cost savings
- Is a certified green technology

Costs: Travel vs. UEN IVC

Fuel = $45
Travel Time = $350
Lodging = $85
Food = $60
Total = $540
UEN IVC is GREEN

For every 3 meetings held over videoconference (instead of flying cross-country), the emission reduction amount would be comparable to taking a car completely off the road for an entire year. (www.liveearth.org)

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ConferenceMe™

- Extends an existing event to a PC
- High quality, real-time video, audio, and content sharing
- Part of the UEN IVC system
- Accommodate and engage students with extenuating circumstances
  - Team schedules
  - Assemblies
  - Remote locations
  - Student illnesses
- Perfect for 1 or 2 participants per site

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- Does not currently work on Mac OS
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