

Roundtable Session Notes

Session Title: Breaking Away from the Four Wall Classroom

Barriers to Distance Education, Presentation for EDST885, by Donald Lehman Spring 1998

<http://udel.edu/~dlehman/educ/barrier.html>

Lists types of barriers as 1) teacher, 2) technological, 3) administrative, and 4) student.

Barriers to Distance Learning (2002) by Arthur Levine and Jeffrey C. Sun for the American Council on Education and educause. <http://goo.gl/zHmMn>

“Obstacles can serve two very different purposes. Some obstacles ensure high quality and create the standards necessary to assess any new activity. Others are simply gatekeepers—political, personal, and institutional—to bar any type of change.”

Distance Education in Rural Schools.(2010)

National Research Center on Rural Education Support <http://goo.gl/RhpW1>

“Some of the most frequently mentioned barriers were related to district level or policy issues and included that distance education courses were not needed to meet curriculum requirements (67.7%) and were not a district priority (53.2%). Funding was also reported as being a major barrier across districts (63.7%).”

Overcoming Resistance to Teaching with Technology and Online Content Resources

This session will illustrate how library media specialists can become a persuasive, supportive and indispensable resource to classroom teachers who might be reluctant to embrace online resources ... will also learn the root of the most common objections to the adoption of a new way of teaching, and how to overcome such objections by dispelling fear and doubt, providing ample support, and celebrating successes.

Presenter: Mark Moran, Dulcinea Media

Track: Digital Innovation & Technologies

<http://www.newleafinlearning.com/tech.cfm> (\$15.00)

Breaking down the walls of the classroom (January 2011) by [Nik Peachey](#). In this posting I would like to argue that in order for technology to really enhance learning and for learners to achieve their full potential, we need to fundamentally rethink the relationship between learning and the classroom and to rethink the role of the teacher.

<http://www.deltapublishing.co.uk/development/breaking-down-the-walls-of-the-classroom>

Mobile Initiatives 'Breaking Down the Walls of the Classroom' at Abilene Christian U by

Diane Schaffhauser 10/24/11 <http://goo.gl/nDkjd> “Small private college [Abilene Christian University](#) has entered the fourth academic year of its mobile education initiatives, and the program's momentum and influence is still growing.”