



Webtools Manual

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Chapter 1 - Introduction Overview

SchoolCenter WebTools is a user-friendly, web-based application used for creating and maintaining education-related websites with a minimal amount of effort.

Within our **WebTools** products, we have already done the programming work so you do not need to have knowledge of HTML or FTP to produce an interactive and dynamic website. Your website will bring together administrators, teachers, parents, students, and the community with the common goal of enhancing the educational experience.

The **SchoolCenter WebTools** system can be used at the district, school, or classroom level, and allows you to produce unlimited webpages with minimal effort.

Congratulations on bringing your school into the age of technology.

Software/System Requirements

The only requirement for using **SchoolCenter WebTools** is that you have an Internet connection and web browser. The program can be used with an IBM, Macintosh, or PC computer. Version 6 or higher of Internet Explorer or Netscape is the minimum requirement to run the **SchoolCenter WebTools** program. JavaScript and cookies must be enabled. Certain browsers do not support some components within **SchoolCenter**; complete browser information can be found online at www.schoolcenter.net or you may contact **SchoolCenter Support** for more information.

Things to Remember

If you are logged in and do not work with the program, you will automatically be logged off after 20 minutes. You must go back and log in again.

The program does not support the use of the browser Back button to move around within the program, as doing this may cause error messages to occur. If you must use the Back button, after doing so, please click **Refresh** or **Reload**.

If you want to upload files from a floppy disk, transfer the data to your hard drive first and upload the files from your hard drive. The program does not respond well to information pulled from a floppy disk.

About This Manual

This manual explains the different components of the **SchoolCenter WebTools** system and contains brief *How To* instructions.

In addition, for more detailed information on how to perform a certain task or to access our software tutorials, please refer to the **Component Tutorials** section of the **SchoolCenter** Support and Services website. You can also click the **Support** link for additional help.



Images and screenshots used in this manual may differ from your software. Browsers and operating systems affect how your software is displayed. Images have also been edited for content.

How to Use This Manual

Within the manual, please pay special attention to areas highlighted and marked in blue text; these notes often contain tips or important information and reminders pertaining to the software. Below is an overview of those areas and what each icon means.



NOTES

These areas are for notes that a user may want to read.



TIPS

This icon refers to special information that users may find useful and save them time in the future.



USER WARNING

These warnings include things that may cause the software not to act the way it should. These are common user errors that users are being warned of in advance.

How This Manual is Organized

The **SchoolCenter WebTools** manual is organized in a chapter format. Each chapter deals with different components of the **SchoolCenter WebTools** system.

Chapter 1 - Introduction

This chapter covers the **SchoolCenter WebTools** system and how it is used. It includes the different aspects of the **SchoolCenter WebTools** manual and how to use it.

Chapter 2 - Getting Started

In Chapter 2, you will learn the various ways **SchoolCenter** can help you get started creating your website. Rapid Design and training options are explained.

Chapter 3 - Enhancements Options

This chapter covers other features and enhancements available with **SchoolCenter WebTools** including, **Content Approval**, **Grades Online** and **SchoolCenter WebMail**.

Chapter 4 - Desktop Management

Desktop Management and features are covered in this chapter, including Start Page, Page Design, Usage Reports, Site Admin, User Editor, Organizer, and Support options. Logging In, the Desktop Start Page and the Desktop Organizer are also covered in this chapter.

Chapter 5 - Site Administration and Reports

In this chapter, Site Administrators will learn about administrative functions, references, and useful reports.

Chapter 6 - User Management

This chapter explains how Site Administrators can upload teachers and students in the **SchoolCenter** software.

Chapter 7 - Editing Your Webpage

In this chapter, you will learn how to edit your webpage by uploading text and media.

Chapter 8 - Website Design

This chapter has instructions on how to use the Page Design Features and Themes. You will also learn about navigation options and how to use the Advanced Content Editor.

Chapter 9 - Page Components

All of the **SchoolCenter Webtools** page components are covered in this chapter. You will receive a brief overview and explanation of the tools in each page.

Chapter 10 - Advanced Editing

Linking pages, hidden pages, URL redirecting, and password-protecting pages are covered in this chapter. This chapter also explains how to copy and move pages.

Contacting Us

SchoolCenter's staff is always available to help you in every way possible. Here are the most efficient ways to get answers for your questions:

- Review the [Help and Support website](http://www.schoolcenter.net/help) documents online at www.schoolcenter.net.
- Email help@schoolcenter.net for a response within 24 hours.
- Access [Live Help](#) on the [Support and Services](#) website to chat with a SchoolCenter customer service representative immediately.



If you want to speak to a **SchoolCenter** representative on the phone, please call **(888) 642-4448** and ask for the Customer Service Department.

Additional Contact Information

SchoolCenter
1075 Reed Station Road
Carbondale, IL 62901
Fax: (618) 351-1996

Chapter 2 - Getting Started

Now that you have been introduced to the **SchoolCenter WebTools** system, you can begin creating a valuable communication tool for your district and/or school.

Rapid Design

Building a website from scratch can be a scary and challenging task. To help get your site off to a great start, the Rapid Design Department can help with setting up users and email. The Rapid Design Department can also help give your district or your school a distinctive look that can be easily distinguished with banners, backgrounds, and many other enhancement features. By using this service, you can have the site designed just the way you want. Adding content to your site is simple and easy.



Districts can have sites that proudly display each school's specific colors, but is still recognized as being a part of the same district. We are extremely excited about Rapid Design and how it allows you to have the site you really want.

Starting From Scratch

We continually try to provide the best possible instruction and support so you can use the program to its fullest capabilities. In addition to help files, a support site, and manuals, you also have access to software tutorials, a help forum, and a FAQ online at www.schoolcenter.net.

Basic Component Overview

As part of our training process, we also offer basic component overview sessions led by a member of our Professional Services team. During scheduled phone conversations, we will teach you more advanced aspects of the software while you work on your site. This overview is recommended to ensure that your website is as successful and thoroughly designed as possible.



Web Resources

Online Manuals

All SchoolCenter manuals are available in online versions on our **Support and Services** site. The online manuals contain all of the information available in our print manuals.

Figure 2-1
Help and Support



Software Tutorials

As companion tutorials to our manuals, SchoolCenter offers Flash™ video tutorials on our **Support and Services** site. The videos provide a more detailed level of assistance in demonstrating the steps for website management and design than the steps outlined in the manuals.

The videos can be accessed through links on our online manuals and by clicking the **Support** button on the software. Not only does the Support button, with one click, give you access to all of the support services available on the Support and Services site, but it also provides you with direct links to our video tutorials so you can easily find the information and assistance you need.

Training

The **SchoolCenter** Instructional Services Department is responsible for the instructional design and training of the software. Currently, we offer four courses that fit many different types of learners.

1. Basic Training Program

This is a six-hour program designed for the learner new to the **SchoolCenter** software or the veteran user who needs a refresher course.

The **Basic Program** curriculum is as follows:

- Login
- Desktop Start Page
- Title Bar buttons
- Navigation Bar Links
- Calendar Functions
- Document Manager



2. Advanced Training Program

The advanced training program is a six-hour program designed for users that have mastered the basics and want more control over how their site looks. Users also learn about ways to customize components to better meet their needs.

The **Advanced Program** curriculum is as follows:

- Page Design
- Advanced Content Editor
- Categorized Scrapbook
- Real World Application
- Create a Custom Contact Form and CSV Export
- Page Setting Details

3. Site Administration Training Program

The Site Administration training program is a six-hour program that teaches the Site Administrator functions of the software.

The **Site Admin** curriculum is as follows:

- Site Hierarchy
- User Management (Adding Categories, Classrooms, New Users, Existing Users, etc.)
- Navigational Grouping
- Full Site Utilities (Manage Fonts, Site Preferences, Profanity Filter, Global Messaging, & Restrict File Types for Users)
- Report
- Manage Gallery

In addition to the three different training programs offered above, we now have **Customized Training**. With **Customized Training**, our professional staff will sit



down with you and develop a curriculum to address your specific needs. This training is customized specifically with you in mind, since different districts and schools have different needs.

Our instruction material is created using time-proven cognitive instructional design principles. Before we use any of our training products, you can be assured it has been thoroughly tested and put through a filter to check for clarity and accuracy.

We take pride in our work at **SchoolCenter** and are constantly analyzing and evaluating our products to make them better. You can find more information on training, including the training calendar and a contact information, online at www.schoolcenter.net in the training section. You can also call us at (888)642-4448.

Chapter 3 - Enhancement Options

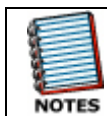
Enhancement Options

One of the key advantages in using SchoolCenter is the wide range of available products and services. Along with the core **WebTools** components, **SchoolCenter** offers services that go well beyond simple web hosting. **Content Approval**, **Grades Online**, **SchoolCenter Mail** and **Rapid Design** are just a few examples of such services.

Whether used in conjunction with **WebTools** or separately, these services can assist educators in becoming more productive and efficient than ever.

Content Approval

When policy requires, **SchoolCenter's** software can be configured to require approval from administrators or other school authorities before content is posted to the web.



*The **SchoolCenter Content Approval** system is not a standard feature of the **SchoolCenter** software. For more information on how you can get **Content Approval**, contact a **SchoolCenter** representative.*

SchoolCenter's Content Approval allows Main Site Administrators to review and approve all pages edited on your website before it is released to the general public. An email notification will be sent to the user when the pages have been published.

Main Site Administration Setup

SchoolCenter assigns a **Main Site Administrator** to your site when it is created. The Main Site Administrator is responsible for the approval of all pages waiting to be published.

When a user is chosen to be the Main Site Administrator, **SchoolCenter** will assign him or her privileges by placing a check in the box next to the option **Main Site Admin**.

This option will allow the user to approve pages to publish on the web. The option, **Approve Published Pages**, will be listed under the Site Admin button.

Who Can Approve What

The Main Site Administrator has the ability to select users who can approve published pages.

- To select users, click the **Admin** button and select the **Who Can Approve What** option.



Figure 3-1
Who Can Approve Pages

- Here, you will see an index of sections in the box located to the left of the page.
- To select an area to assign a User to edit, click the names of the sections until you have selected the correct section.
- Once the section is selected, click the **Add Approver** icon. This will open a new window.
- Enter in the First, Last, or User name. Then click the **[Search]** link.

Figure 3-2
Add Approver

- A list of users matching that search will show. Click the name of the user you want to select to approve. You will receive a confirmation message.
- Click the [\[Close Window\]](#) link to finish selecting the user. The list of users who are approved to edit this section will be listed on the right side of the page.

Figure 3-3
Approvers List

Publish a Page

When a user has finished editing the web page, it will not automatically be published on the Internet. Before a page is published to the Internet, the user must first complete a few steps.

After editing is finished, the user has the option to **Publish This Page**.

- To publish a page, locate the **Content Approval** links in the **Edit** drop-down menu.

Figure 3-4
Publish Page Buttons



- To publish the page you have just completed editing, click the **Publish This Page** option. This will place the page you want to publish into a queue until it has been approved.
- When the page is approved and published, the user will receive an email notifying that the page has been published to the site.

	<p><i>The email will be sent to the address of the user that requested to publish the page. The email address used is entered in the Email field of the User Editor. For more information, view User Setup.</i></p>
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Reset From Live Page

If you edit your page, but no longer like the changes you made, you can reset the page to display as it was before any changes were made.

- To reset your edited page to the "Live", unpublished page, click the **Reset From Live Page** option under the **Edit** drop-down menu. You will open a new window.
- Click **OK** to continue resetting the page to the "Live" version, or click **Cancel** to quit the reset.
- Click **OK**, and your page will be reset without any changes.

Remove Page from Queue

After a page has been placed into the queue, the **Edit Page** button and the **Page Settings** button will be crossed out and will appear in gray. You will not be able to make any changes. This prevents having multiple versions of the same page waiting to be approved.

Figure 3-5
Queued Pages Buttons



If you want to make changes to this page after it has been placed into the queue, you will have to remove it first.

- To remove the page from the queue, click the **Remove This Page from Queue** option in the **Edit** drop-down menu.
- You will open a new window. Click **OK**.
- Your page will now be removed from the queue and you can edit this page again.



*Use the same steps when **Publishing a Site**.*

Administration of Content Approval

Administration of Content Approval

The Main Site Administrator and Selected Users are responsible for the approval of all pages waiting to be published.

- To approve pages, click **Site Admin** and select **Approve Published Pages**.

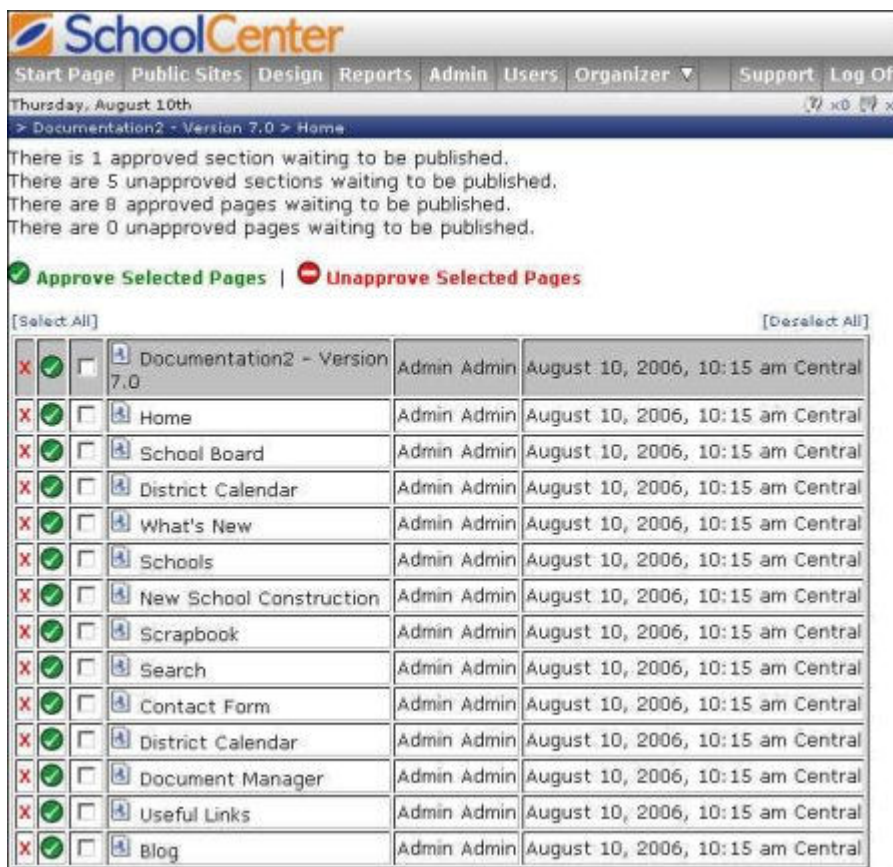


Figure 3-6
Approve Pages

In the **Approve Published Pages** utility, you can select which page you want to approve. Pages or sites selected to be published will be placed in a queue waiting to be reviewed and approved.

The queue will list how many sections and pages are waiting to be approved. It will also list the pages already approved, but not yet published. Approved Sections and Pages will be placed in a queue and published in a one-minute rotation. The time of the next scheduled queue update will also be listed.




The minute rotation queue is designed so that every page does not publish at one time, causing network or server problems.

Approving Sections

Each section, or page, that has had a request to be published will be listed along with the name of the user and the date and time of the request.

There are 0 approved sections waiting to be published.
 There is 1 unapproved section waiting to be published.
 There are 0 approved pages waiting to be published.
 There are 0 unapproved pages waiting to be published.

 **Approve Selected Pages** |  **Unapprove Selected Pages**

[Select All] [Deselect All]















		<input type="checkbox"/>	 Documentation2 - Version 7.0	joe smith	August 10, 2006, 10:17 am Central
		<input type="checkbox"/>	 Home	joe smith	August 10, 2006, 10:17 am Central
		<input type="checkbox"/>	 School Board	joe smith	August 10, 2006, 10:17 am Central
		<input type="checkbox"/>	 District Calendar	joe smith	August 10, 2006, 10:17 am Central
		<input type="checkbox"/>	 What's New	joe smith	August 10, 2006, 10:17 am Central
		<input type="checkbox"/>	 Schools	joe smith	August 10, 2006, 10:17 am Central
		<input type="checkbox"/>	 New School Construction	joe smith	August 10, 2006, 10:17 am Central
		<input type="checkbox"/>	 Scrapbook	joe smith	August 10, 2006, 10:17 am Central
		<input type="checkbox"/>	 Search	joe smith	August 10, 2006, 10:17 am Central
		<input type="checkbox"/>	 Contact Form	joe smith	August 10, 2006, 10:17 am Central
		<input type="checkbox"/>	 District Calendar	joe smith	August 10, 2006, 10:17 am Central
		<input type="checkbox"/>	 Document Manager	joe smith	August 10, 2006, 10:17 am Central
		<input type="checkbox"/>	 Useful Links	joe smith	August 10, 2006, 10:17 am Central
		<input type="checkbox"/>	 Blog	joe smith	August 10, 2006, 10:17 am Central

Figure 3-7
Pages Awaiting Approval

Approve Sections

Sections waiting to be approved are marked in gray and will display every page in that section.

- To approve sections listed in the queue, check the box next to the name of the section. All the pages in that section will automatically be checked.
- When the sections you want to approve are checked, click **Approve Selected Pages**. The pages in that section will be marked as approved with a green check.

Approve Pages

- To approve pages listed in the queue, check the box next to the name of the page.
- When the pages you want to approve are checked, click **Approve Selected Pages**. The pages will be marked as approved with a green check.
- To review the sections and pages before they are published, click the web page icon and you will be directed to that page.

Unapprove Sections and Pages

If you do not want approved sections or pages to be published, you can choose to not approve them.

- To deny approval of a page or section, check the box next to the name of the section or page.
- Then click **Unapprove Selected Pages**. The pages will now be marked with a red line.
- To remove sections and pages from the queue, click the **X**.

Content Publishing Reports

The Main Site Administrator has access to the **Content Publishing Reports**.

- To view the reports, click **Reports** and select **Content Publishing Reports**.

SchoolCenter

Start Page Public Sites Design Reports Admin Users Organizer Support Log Off

Thursday, August 10th

> Documentation2 - Version 7.0 > Scrapbook

Return

Content Publishing Report for: Aug 2006

- Aug 09 th
 - 09:08 am

Admin Admin (admin)	Documentation2 - Version 7.0	update
Admin Admin (admin)	Documentation2 - Version 7.0 Home	update
Admin Admin (admin)	Documentation2 - Version 7.0 School Board	update
Admin Admin (admin)	Documentation2 - Version 7.0 District Calendar	update
Admin Admin (admin)	Documentation2 - Version 7.0 What's New	update
Admin Admin (admin)	Documentation2 - Version 7.0 Schools	update
Admin Admin (admin)	Documentation2 - Version 7.0 New School Construction	update
Admin Admin (admin)	Documentation2 - Version 7.0 Scrapbook	update
Admin Admin (admin)	Documentation2 - Version 7.0 Search	update
Admin Admin (admin)	Documentation2 - Version 7.0 Contact Form	update
Admin Admin (admin)	Documentation2 - Version 7.0 District Calendar	update
Admin Admin (admin)	Documentation2 - Version 7.0 Document Manager	update
Admin Admin (admin)	Documentation2 - Version 7.0 Useful Links	update
 - 10:08 am

Admin Admin (admin)	Documentation2 - Version 7.0 Home	update
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- Aug 10 th
- Aug 11 th
- Aug 20 th

Figure 3-8
Content Publish Reports

- The **Content Publishing Report** will be listed by month. Click the name of the month you want to view.
- Select the day you want to see what was published. The report will expand detailing the name of the person who approved the pages, the name of the section the page was in, and the page that was approved. You will also be shown the time those pages were approved.



*The Content Publishing Report will show the last
365 days of approval activity.*

Grades Online

Grades Online

SchoolCenter's **Grades Online** service was developed with two goals in mind: To assist our schools in posting all information to the Internet with **SchoolCenter** software and to allow teachers at our schools to continue working within their current gradebook software.

To that end, **SchoolCenter** works with your current gradebook company to allow grades and attendance to be reported to your school's website safely and securely. This service allows teachers to effectively keep track of their grades along with the rest of their classroom-based software. At the same time, this service allows parents the opportunity to stay up-to-date on their child's progress and schoolwork with just the click of a mouse. For **SchoolCenter Grades Online** users, a manual for the Grades is available online at www.schoolcenter.net.



*For more information on using the **SchoolCenter Online Grades**, see the **Reporting Grades** section of the [Support and Services website](#).*

Support and Log Off

Support

This area provides a link to the **SchoolCenter** Support and Services site.

When you click **Support**, the Support and Services page will be displayed in a new window. You can then leave this window minimized for fast reference while working on your website.

Log Off

When you click **Log Out** while on the Desktop, a window will open giving you options for logging off the system.

If you want to sign in again or with a different user ID, you can click **OK** to return to the Log On screen. To completely log off and be redirected to your homepage, click **Cancel**.

When you want to log off while editing your website, click the **Log Off** button located at the top of the screen. This will automatically log you out of your site.

Chapter 4 - Desktop Management

SchoolCenter is set up with a **View Mode** and an **Edit Mode**. To access your site as a viewer, simply type the URL/web address. To log in and start adding and editing content to your site, type your URL/web address followed by /admin.

Logging In

To log in, type your **User ID** and **Password** in the appropriate text boxes.

Figure 4-1
Login Page



The image shows the SchoolCenter login interface. At the top is the 'SchoolCenter' logo. Below it are two text input fields: 'User ID:' and 'Password:'. Under the 'User ID' field is a 'Logon' button with a lightbulb icon. To the right of the 'Logon' button is a checkbox labeled 'Remember Me'.

You have the option to have the computer remember your password by checking the **Remember Me** box located below the login boxes. When the box is checked, the computer will automatically remember the password for the last user and will log that user back on when the page is accessed.



*The **Remember Me** option is not recommended for use for those working in a computer lab or working on a computer to which others have access.*

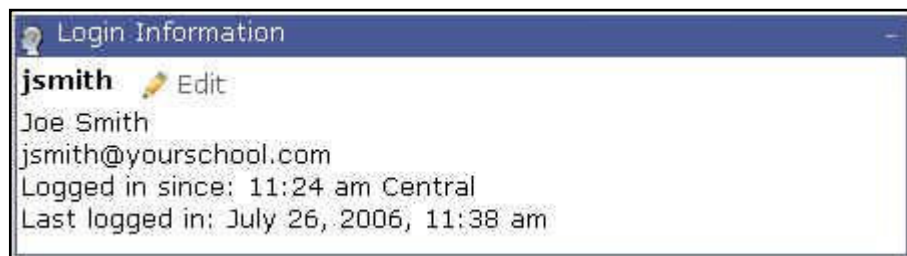
You also have the **Lost Password?** option located to the right of the **Remember Me** box. If you forget or lose your password, you can click this link, enter your user name and an alternate email address in the appropriate boxes. Your password will then be emailed to you.

Once you have typed in your User ID and your password, click **Logon**. You will then be at your Start Page.

Changing Your Password

- In the Login Information box, click the **Edit** button located to the right of your user name to open the User Editor.

Figure 4-2
Login Information



The image shows a 'Login Information' window. It displays the user 'jsmith' with an 'Edit' button (pencil icon) next to it. Below the name, it shows 'Joe Smith' and 'jsmith@yourschool.com'. At the bottom, it shows 'Logged in since: 11:24 am Central' and 'Last logged in: July 26, 2006, 11:38 am'.

- Type your new password into the **New Password** box, and then re-type it into the **Confirm New** box to confirm your choice.

Figure 4-3
User Info

The screenshot shows a web-based form titled "User Info" with several tabs: "User Info", "Access Info", "Other Info", "Categories", "Email", and "Permissions". The "User Info" tab is active. The form contains the following fields and text:

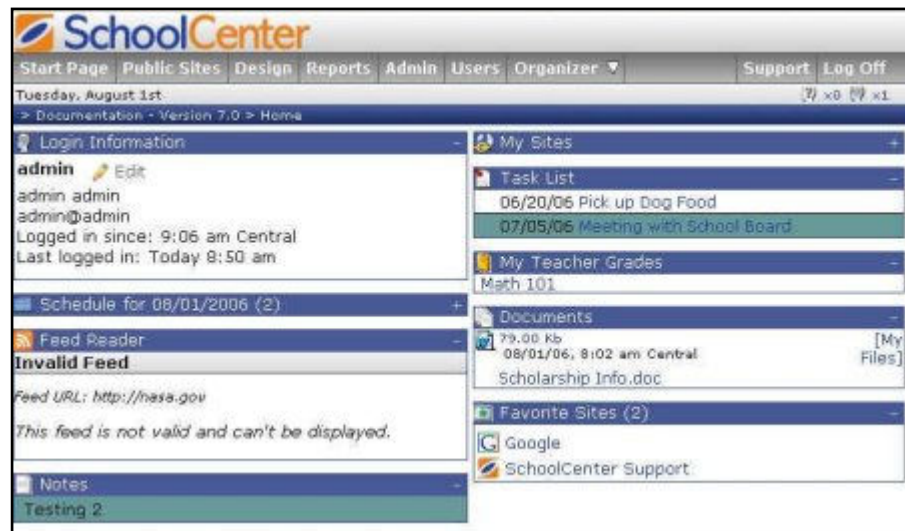
- A red asterisk icon followed by the text "required field" is positioned at the top right of the form area.
- "First Name*": A text input field containing the text "School".
- "Last Name*": A text input field containing the text "Center".
- "Email": A text input field containing the text "help@schoolcenter.net".
- "Login": A text input field containing the text "schoolcenter".
- A paragraph of italicized text: "For security reasons your password has been omitted from this page. Please leave both fields empty unless you are changing your current password."
- "New Password": An empty text input field.
- "Confirm New": An empty text input field.

- Click **Done**. You have now changed your password.

Start Page

The **Start Page** contains your Login Information, a date and time bar, your feed reader, scheduler, and other tools. The buttons at the top of the page below the **SchoolCenter** logo, including the **Start Page**, **Public Sites**, **Design**, **Organizer** and the **Support** and the **Log Off** buttons, will help you navigate and allow you to receive online help. They will appear at the top of each screen throughout the system.

Figure 4-4
Start Page



By clicking the **Edit** button located to the right of your user name, you can edit your Login Information, including changing your password.

Organizer


The **Organizer** drop-down menu contains links to all of your Start Page options, such as **Task List**, **Schedule**, **Notes**, **Documents**, **Attendance**, **Lesson Planner**, **Contacts**, **Favorite Sites**, **My Teacher Grades**, **Feed Reader**, and **Desktop Settings**. These options may vary depending on what extra options your district or school may have.

Figure 4-5
Organizer



- To access the Organizer, click the **Organizer**

button located at the top of your screen.

	<p><i>If you have selected to use Grades Online, the grades options will be listed in your Desktop Organizer.</i></p>
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Contacts

The **Contacts** feature is similar to the Address Book in **SchoolCenter WebMail**, where you can store email addresses and other contact information. All contacts are sorted alphabetically by the last name of the contact.

Figure 4-6
Organizer Contacts



Manage Groups		Import Contacts		Add New Contact	
Last Name <input type="text"/> ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ [All] 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9					
Address Book contains 5 entries					
Doubleclick on an Address Book card to edit it.					
Browning, Robert Company: Elizabeth High School Address: Map 4565 Springfield, MA 12345 Email: browning@asdf.com Phone: 555-555-1111			Kitterline, Josie Company: Smith School Address: Map 1234 Shelbyville MI Email: josie@schoolcenter.net		
Smith, Joe Username: jsmith Email: @ Company: Science Elementary Address: Map 1111 Worldconqueror Dr Wamerville, MA 11111 Email: @			Wave, Mike Username: student10 Email: studen4t@school.org		

- When you click the **Add New Contact** tab, you have the option of adding a **SchoolCenter** user or manually adding a contact.

Figure 4-7
Edit Contact



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First Name: First Name Address:

Last Name: Last Name City:

Company/School: State:

Hours: Zip:

Email: Phone:

Work Phone:

Notes:

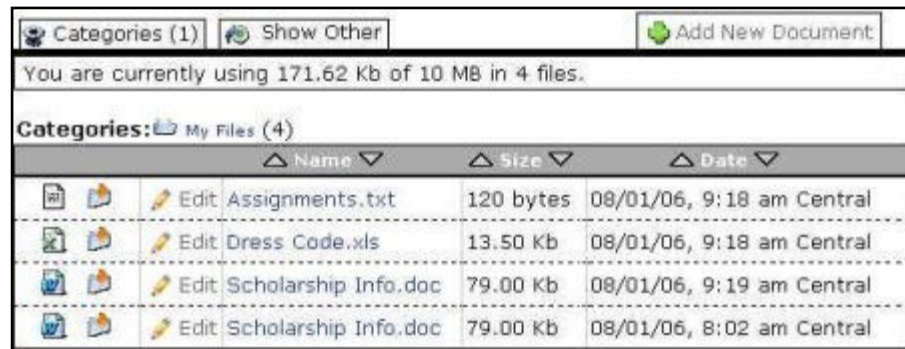
- To begin using groups, click the **Manage Groups** tab.
- To add a group, click the **Add New Group** tab located in the upper right corner.
- In the display that appears, you will have the option to add individual contacts and/or

groups to your message.

Documents

The **Documents** tool allows you to add up to **10 mb** of personal documents, which cannot be shared, to your Desktop. This feature can be helpful for both teachers, who can post files that they may want to work on at home, and students, who can use it as their own eLocker or student portfolio.









Figure 4-8
Organizer Documents



Categories (1) Show Other Add New Document

You are currently using 171.62 Kb of 10 MB in 4 files.

Categories: My Files (4)

	Name	Size	Date
 	Edit Assignments.txt	120 bytes	08/01/06, 9:18 am Central
 	Edit Dress Code.xls	13.50 Kb	08/01/06, 9:18 am Central
 	Edit Scholarship Info.doc	79.00 Kb	08/01/06, 9:19 am Central
 	Edit Scholarship Info.doc	79.00 Kb	08/01/06, 8:02 am Central

- When you select this tool, you have the option to add documents and to organize those documents within categories.

Adding Documents

- To add a document, click the **Add New Document** tab located on the right side of the screen.
- You now have the option of adding a document from your computer or linking to a document that is already on the Internet.
- To add a document from your computer, click **Browse**.
- Select the document file you want to add by double-clicking it.
- Click **Upload file**.
- Choose the category you want the file placed in by selecting the correct category from the drop-down menu.
- You can add text to this document by filling in the text box.
- Click **Done** to save your changes.

Figure 4-9
Document Categories



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Category - My Files

Name - Suspension Details.csv

Text - This file contains the details and procedures to follow for Suspensions.

Notes

Notes can be used as reminders

of duties, events, or other important information.

- Click the **Notes** link from the Organizer menu to open the feature and then click the **Add New Note** link. A new note now shows on the screen.

Figure 4-10
Edit Note

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Category: Normal

Title: New Note

Note:

Delete Done Cancel

- To compose the note, click the **Edit** icon located to the left of the note.
- Choose a category for the note from the drop-down menu at the top.
- Delete “**New Note**” from the **Title** text box and type the desired title for the note.
- Type the text for your note in the **Note** box.
- Once you are finished, click **Done**. The screen will take you back to the Notes page where your edited note will be displayed.

Figure 4-11
Organizer Note

SchoolCenter

Start Page Public Sites Design Reports Admin Users Organizer ▼ Support Log Off

Tuesday, August 1st

> Documentation - Version 7.0 > Home

	Category	Note
Edit	Personal	Buy Milk Last edited: Today 9:23 am
Edit	Normal	Grade Papers Last edited: Today 9:24 am
Edit	Important	Test Tomorrow Last edited: Today 9:23 am
Edit	Work	Testing 2 Last edited: June 21, 2006, 9:09 am

[Add New Note]

Schedule

The **Schedule** is a calendar feature that displays important daily, weekly, and annual events and

agendas. Events can be shown in color-coded categories on a daily/weekly/monthly/annual basis. The feature also includes an option to display the schedule as a list, to show or hide details for each event, to import and export information from other calendars, and more.

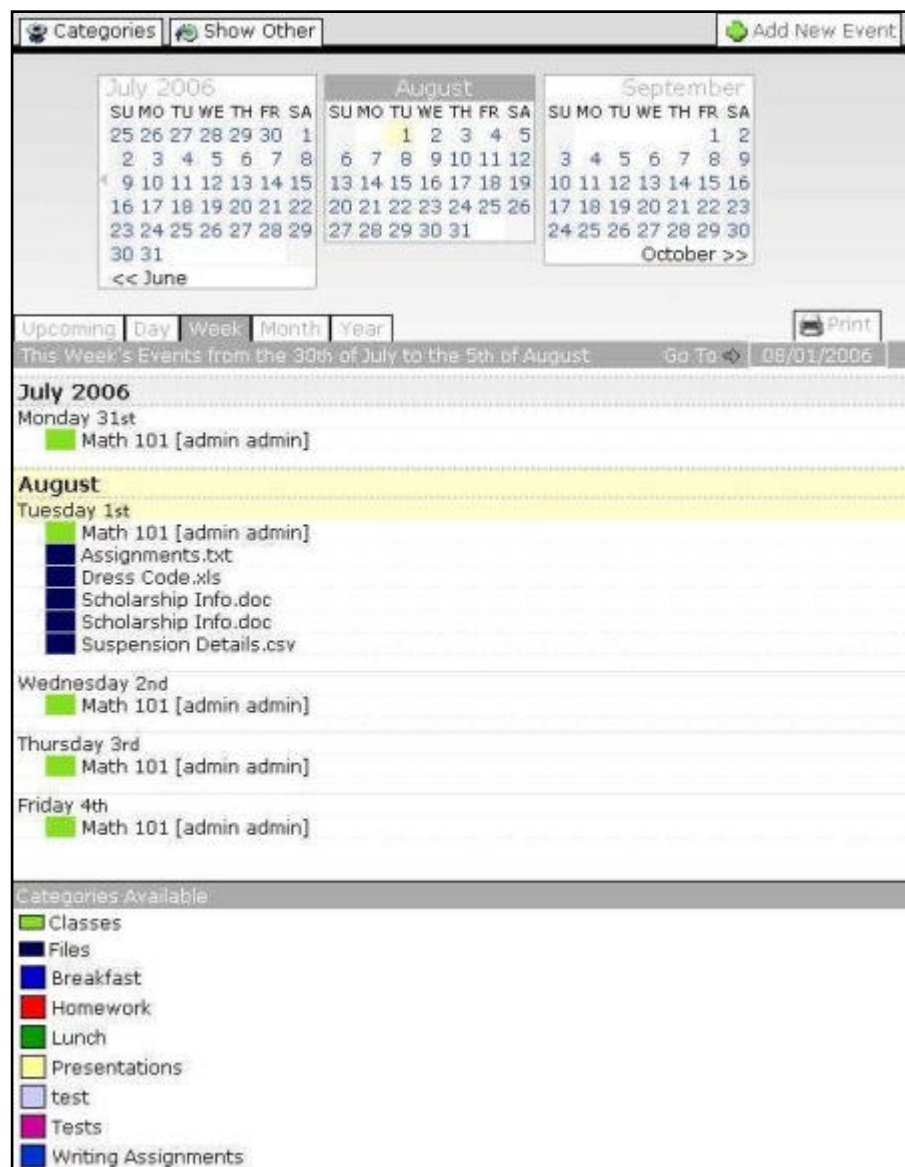


Figure 4-12
Organizer Schedule

When you open the feature by clicking the **Schedule** link from the Organizer menu, you have the options of adding categories and/or new events to the calendar.

Categories

- To add a category, click the **Categories** tab.
- Remove (**New Category**) from the **Name** field and type the name of the new category.
- Click **Save**.
- Click the color square that appears next to the drop-down menu to select a color for the category.

Show Other

A share feature has been built into the Calendar page component so information entered on these pages may be shared from classroom to district, school to classroom, and school to school.

In this way, information may be entered in one area and shared throughout the entire website.

- To share the data, you must be in Edit mode. While on the Calendar page, click the **Show Other** tab. This will open a new window with **Summary** and **Browse** tabs.
- Click the **Browse** tab to show a list of pages in your site.

Figure 4-13
Summary Tab



- Navigate to the page you want to pull data from, and then select the categories you want to place in your page.
 - Once you click **Done**, the data pulled from the other page will now appear on the site with a barrels icon located next to the information instead of an Edit icon. This means that you will not be able to edit the information, since it is pulled from another page. If the information is changed on the original page, it will subsequently change the information on your page.
 - To remove the data from your page, click the **Show Other** tab.
 - Click the link of the page that originally held the data.
- Clear the check box and click **Done**. The data will then be removed.

Figure 4-14
Schedule Category



Add New Event

General

- Under the **General** tab, you can select the date of your event by either filling in the appropriate date in the space provided or by clicking the calendar icon and choosing a date from the calendar pop-up window.
- Next, type the date of the event or click the **Date Picker** icon to select the month/day/year for the event.
- Remove **(New Item)** from the **Title** field and type the name of the new event.
- Add your text in the **Text** field or use the Advanced Content Editor.

Figure 4-15
Schedule Event



For more on adding text and using the ACE see [Chapter 8 - Editing Your Webpage](#).

Options

- Under the **Options** tab, you can choose to make your event either an all-day event or you can enter in the start and end time for your event.
- You may also choose to either show or hide the last user to edit this item by clicking the corresponding button.

Figure 4-16
Options Tab

Styles

- Click the **Styles** tab to choose the alignment, font size, and font color.
- Select the **Border** box to open the border options. Choose the desired border color from the Color Picker and border size from the drop-down menu.
- Select the **Background Color** box to open the color options and choose the desired background color for this text field from the drop-down menu.
- Click the empty Color square in each to open the Color Picker.
- Move the cursor over the Color Picker and select the color by clicking the desired color's circle. You will see your choice show up in the Color box.

Recurrences

- To make the event recurring, such as a weekly or monthly meeting, or a weekly test, click the **Recurrences** tab.
- Click **Make Event Span/Recur**.
- A new screen will open giving you the option to have your event recur. If your event occurs on specific weeks, choose from the weekly drop-down menu whether your event will recur one, two, three, or four weeks.
- Next, choose what day your event will recur on.
- Alternatively, if you have a recurring monthly event, you may choose from the drop-down whether your event recurs on the first, second, third, or fourth of every month.
- Choose what day of the month your event recurs on from the day of the week drop-down menu.
- Finally, you can make your event recur every year on a specific date by simply clicking the **Annually** (every year on the same date) option.

Figure 4-17
Recurrences

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Don't Repeat

Repeat from December 26, 2006 until December 26, 2006

☐ Every 1 Week(s) on:

☐ Sunday ☐ Monday ☐ Tuesday ☐ Wednesday
☐ Thursday ☐ Friday ☐ Saturday

☐ On every Tuesday of every single month

☐ Annually (every year on the same date)

Done Cancel

Category


- You can bind your event to categories by clicking the **Category** tab.
- If you want to add another event, you can click **New Event**. Your event will be saved and a New Event window will open.
- You also have the option to hide or show the author of this event or to add an image.
- In the new window that appears, simply choose the category or categories you want to bind your event to and then click **Done**.

Figure 4-18
Categories Tab




Reminder

- In the **Reminder** tab, you can choose to have a reminder sent to you prior to the event. Click the **Send me an email reminder about this event** option.
- From the drop-down menu, choose whether you want to be reminded one week or one day prior to the event.
- Once you have entered all of the information necessary for your new event, click **Done** to save your changes.

	<p><i>For more on adding an image see Chapter 8 - Editing Your Webpage.</i></p>
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- When you are finished entering the information for the event, click **Done** to save it.

	<p><i>Each event can be placed in up to eight different categories.</i></p>
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Task List

With the **Task List**, you can keep track of things to be done by listing them on your Start Page. When the tasks are finished, you can then mark them as finished on the list to keep a record of what has been done.

- To access the Task List, click the **Task List** link from the Organizer menu.
- You can now add a new task to your Task List by clicking **Add New**.
- Delete (**New Task**) from the Task box and rename the task.
- Choose a category for it from the drop-down menu located to the right of the Task box.
- To delete the new task, click the **x Delete** icon.

Figure 4-19
Organizer Task List



- When finished, click **Save** to save the new task. You may add another task by clicking **Add New**.

Desktop Settings

With **Desktop Settings**, you can customize your Start Page by choosing which Organizer features you want to display and where on the Start Page you want them to be displayed.

Figure 4-20
Desktop Settings



- To access this feature, click the **Desktop Settings** link in the Organizer menu.
- To place a component on your Start Page, select the box next to that component.
- After selecting the components, you can arrange how they will appear on the page by clicking the black arrows to move them to either side of the page.
- Once you have decided which side of the page you would like your features to appear, you can arrange the order they appear by clicking the **Sort** icon below each column.
- A new window will open where you can click and drag the features into the order you want them to appear, or you can choose to put them in alphabetical order, reverse alphabetical, or simply just reverse the order in which they already appear.
- Click **Done** to save your sort, or **Cancel** to exit the window without saving.
- When you have finished selecting and arranging the components, click **Save Settings** and then click **Done** to return to the Start Page.

Public Sites

Public Sites

The **Public Sites** function allows you to navigate to any page throughout your school or district.

This gives you quick access to various pages and also allows you to edit various sites much more quickly. The Public Sites component also lets you know exactly how many sites are listed in your district or school.



Figure 4-21
Public Sites

- When you click **Public Sites**, the sections within your site will be listed on the screen.
- Click the name of the section you want to navigate, or click the down arrows to expand that section.
- When you have found the section that you want to visit, click the link and you will be directed to that page.

Reports

Login Times of the Day

This report charts daily editing for this section. It will record login times and the number of people who have logged in at those times since the section was created. The data is shown in times and login numbers and in a graphic chart.



The screenshot shows the SchoolCenter web application interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links: Start Page, Public Sites, Design, Reports, Admin, Users, Organizer, Support, and Log Off. Below this is a status bar showing the date 'Tuesday, August 1st' and a breadcrumb trail '> Documentation > Version 7.0 > Home'. The main content area has a sub-navigation bar with links: Import Users, User Manager (selected), Access Manager, Groups Manager, and User Categories. Under the 'User Manager' tab, there are two sub-tabs: 'Basic' (selected) and 'Advanced'. The 'Basic' tab contains three input fields: 'First Name :', 'Last Name :', and 'User Name :'. To the right of these fields is a link '[List all (19) Users]'. At the bottom of the 'Basic' tab, there are two buttons: 'Add A New User' and 'Search'.

Figure 4-22
Login Times Report

- To print this report, click **Print** and a new window will open previewing what will be printed. Click the **Print** link and the screen will be printed.

Login Times of the Week

This report charts weekly editing for this section. It will record the login days and the number of people who have logged in on those days since the section was created. The data is shown in days and login numbers. It also appears in a graphic chart.

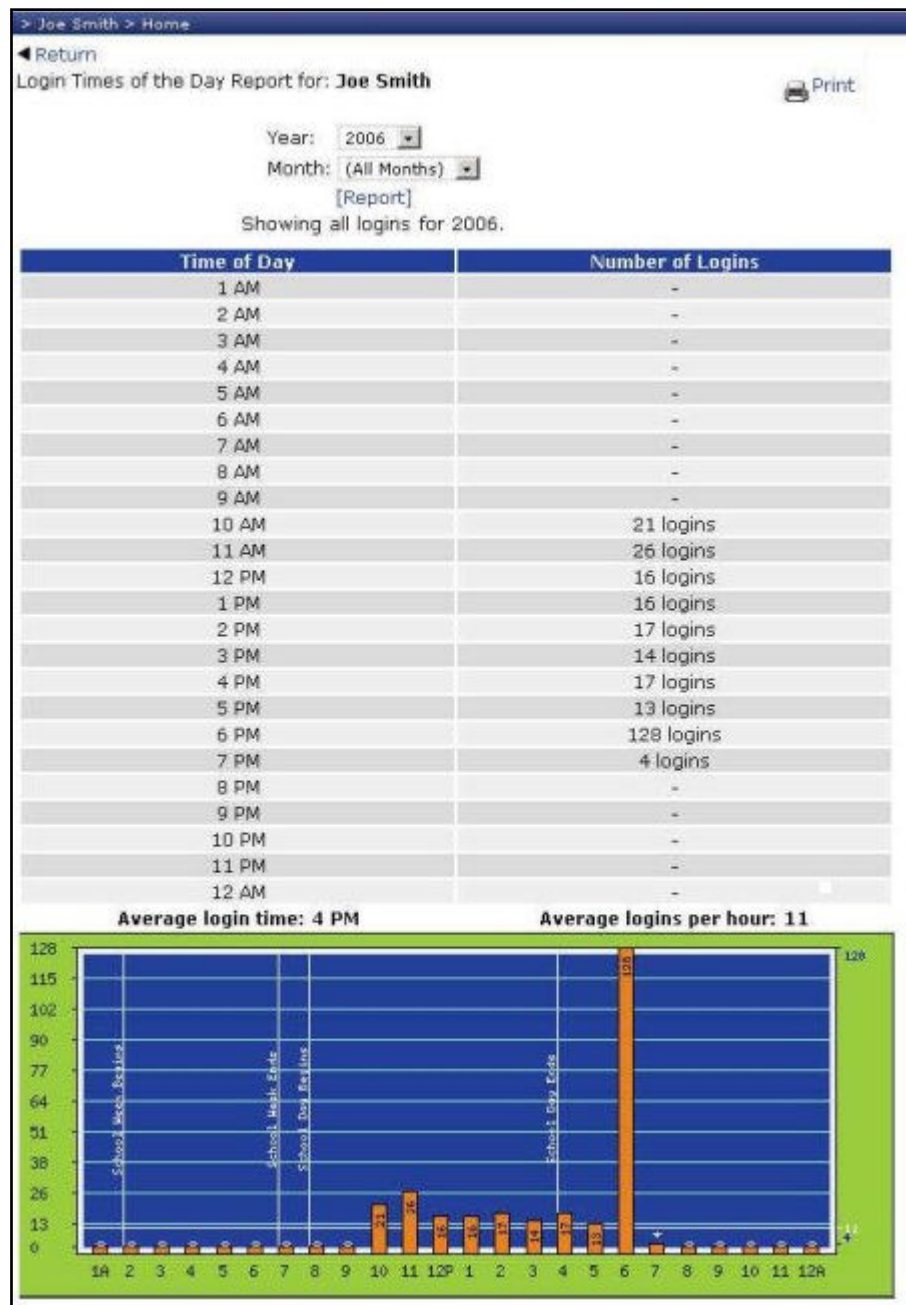


Figure 4-23
Login Days Report

- To print this report, click **Print** and a new window will open previewing what will be printed.
- Click the **Print** link and the screen will be printed.

Login Days of the Month

This report charts monthly editing for this section. It will record the login days and the number

of people who have logged in on those days since the section was created. The data is shown in days and login numbers. It also appears in a graphic chart.



Figure 4-24
Login Days Report

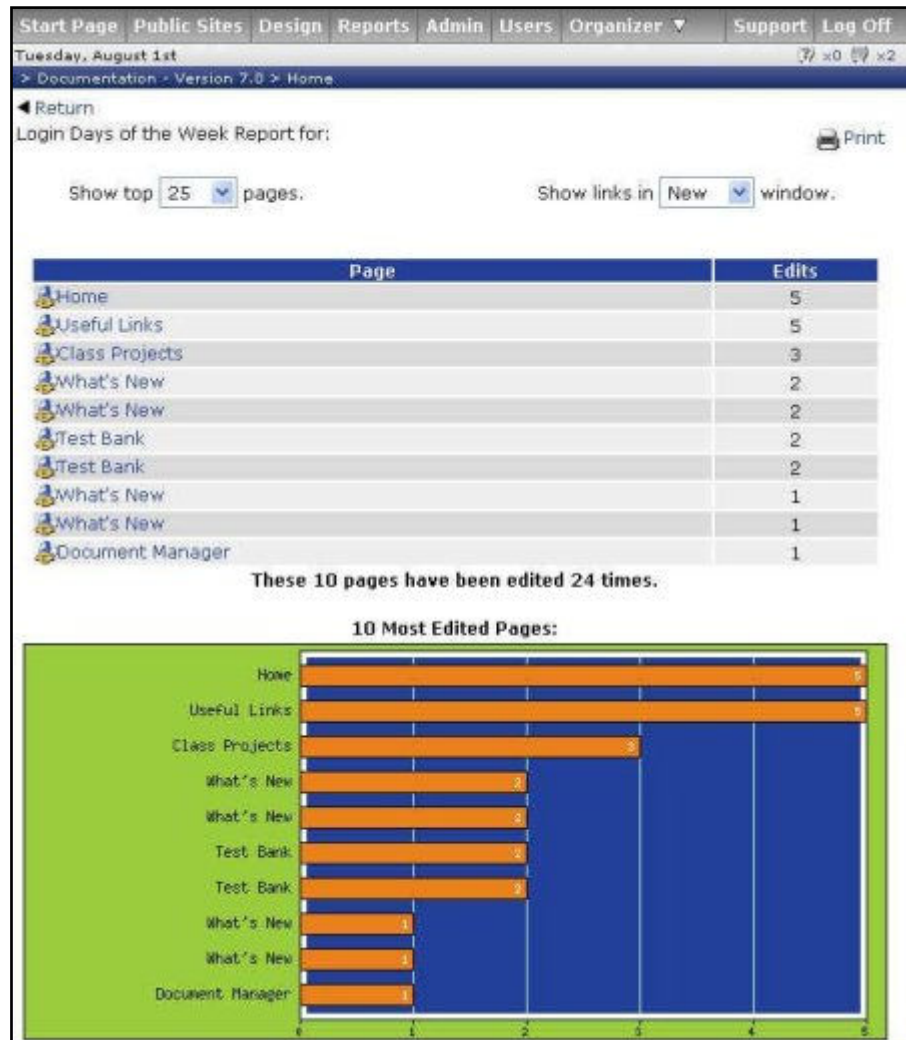
- To print this report, click **Print** and a new window will open previewing what will be printed.
- Click the **Print** link and the screen will be printed.

Most Edited Pages

This report shows the most edited pages for this section and the number of times each page has been edited. It will record the page names and the number of times the page has been edited

since the section was created. The data is shown in page names and login numbers. It also appears in a graphic chart.

Figure 4-25
Most Edited Pages
Report



- To print this report, click **Print** and a new window will open previewing what will be printed.
- Click the **Print** link and the screen will be printed.

Profanity Report

This report provides you with a list of the attempted profanities that have been perpetrated on your school's website.

The information includes all instances of when someone has uploaded a word that is included in the profanity filter. Emails are sent to the Site Administrator upon each occurrence if the Profanity Filter has been enabled.



For more information and a list of words contained in the profanity filter, see the Profanity Filter - Word List section of this manual.

Website Stats

This report charts the number of times your site has been hit and/or accessed. This information can be valuable for planning purposes and to track whether or not your marketing is bringing people to your website.

On the first page, the report shows the number of times your section was viewed.

Select a fiscal school year: 2006/2007 <input type="button" value="Go"/>		Print
Viewing statistics for: Whole Site (2006)		
Date	Page Views	
▪ August 2006	0	
▪ September 2006	0	
▪ October 2006	0	
▪ November 2006	0	
▪ December 2006	0	
▪ January 2007	0	
▪ February 2007	0	
▪ March 2007	0	
▪ April 2007	0	
▪ May 2007	0	
▪ June 2007	0	
▪ July 2007	0	
Total (no Bots)	0	
Grand Total	0	

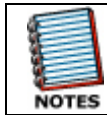
Figure 4-26
Web Stats Report

Under **Page Views**, click the numbers to see a breakdown of individual page hits. The Operating System and Browser of visitors to your site is also recorded here.

Admin

Admin

The **Site Admin** area has **Full Site Utilities** and **Image Utilities** to assist you in efficiently and easily managing your website. To view the utilities available to you, click the **Site Admin** button.



The following is an overview of the Full Site Admin functions; for more information and detailed instructions on their uses, see [Chapter 5: Site Administration](#).

Edit Site Footer

With the Site Footer, you can create a text message that will appear at the bottom of every page in your district.

Figure 4-27
Site Footer

School of Excellence
1234 Main Street
Anywhere, USA
(555)555-5555

Advanced Content Editor Check Spelling Preview

Text Style

Alignment: ☐ Left ☒ Center ☐ Right

Size: 2 ☐ Bold ☐ Italic

Font Color:

☒ Make text HTML friendly.

☐ Border

☒ Background Color

Color:

Done Save

Edit Meta Tags

This option allows you to add keywords and phrases to your website's meta tags for Internet search engines. If these words are typed into the search engine, the search will include your site in the results.

Figure 4-28
Edit Meta Tags

The screenshot shows a web application interface with a top navigation bar containing links: Start Page, Public Sites, Design, Reports, Admin, Users, Organizer (with a dropdown arrow), Support, and Log Off. Below the navigation bar is a status bar showing 'Tuesday, August 1st' and 'Documentation - Version 7.0 > Home'. The main content area features a 'Return' link with a left-pointing arrow. Below this are two text input fields. The first field is labeled 'Keywords' and contains the text: 'District of Quality; School; schoolpages; quality; Illinois schools; Illinois; School of Excellence; excellence'. The second field is labeled 'Description' and contains the text: 'The official sites for the District of Quality. District of Quality is located in Carbondale, Illinois. Please visit our site to learn all about the District of Quality.' At the bottom right of the dialog box are two buttons: 'Done' with a green checkmark icon and 'Cancel' with an orange circle icon.

Image Creator

Image Creator

The **Image Creator** tool allows you to create your own customized banners, making your website more visually appealing as well as creating a unique and personalized atmosphere for your visitors.

Creating Your Banner

- Click the **Site Admin** button.
- Select the **Image Creator** link.

Here, you can view existing banners or create new banners.

- To see an existing banner, click the ([View Banner Archive](#)) link.
- To create a new banner, type the title for the banner in the **New Banner Title** field and then click **Add New**.



Figure 4-29
Banner Image Creator

By using the icons in the **Tool Bar**, you can add images and layers to your banner and change its height and width. You can also change the border size and color as well as the background color and image. You can also select whether you want your background to be transparent by clicking the dots on the bottom left corner of the Color Picker. If you do not want to have a border, leave the border size setting at 0.

Adding an Image to the Image Creator

When creating an image or a banner that contains images, you can use an image from the **SchoolCenter Image Gallery**, **Our Gallery**, or you can use your own image.

- To add an image, click the **Our Gallery** box to find an image in your school's gallery.
- If you want to use an image from the **SchoolCenter Image Gallery**, click **SchoolCenter Gallery**. You can also add an image from your local hard drive by clicking the **Add Media** icon.
- When you add an image, type the name for the layer in the **Title** field.
- Once you have changed your settings, click **Save**. To remove the image from your new image or banner, click **Remove**.



For a list of the types of files that can be added to the Images or Banners, see the Media File section in the Upload New Media window.

Adding Multiple Layers

To add text or another image to your image, click **Add New Layer**.

Adding Text to the Image

- Click **Add New Layer**. When you add a text layer to your image, you can change the text (the words being placed on the image) and text size, font type and color, and font shadow color.
- After your text settings are changed, click **Save**.
- To align your text, or place it where you want to see it on your image, move your mouse over the image. When you have the mouse cursor placed where you want to place the bottom left corner of your text, click to place the text on the image.
- After each change to your image, you will have to click **Save** to save the new settings.

Saving the Image

When you are done creating your image, you have two options to save it.

- Make sure you are on the background layer by clicking the **[Background Layer]** link.
- If you want to add your image to your school's image gallery, click **Add image to Gallery**.
- You can also save your image to your computer without having to add it to the **Our Gallery**. Click the **Generate image** icon to display your banner in a new window.



*PC users can move their mouse over the banner and right-click, then select **Save As...***

*MAC users should press and hold **Control** and click the mouse. This will open a menu where either **Save As...** or **Download Image to Disk** can be selected, depending on the operating system.*

Administer Local Image Gallery

Administer Local Image Gallery

This utility will allow users with the proper access levels to add and/or delete categories within Our Gallery. The **Administer Local Image Gallery** option also allows users to move images between categories and to add keywords and descriptions to those images.

SchoolCenter provides your school with its own gallery in which to store images called, **Our Gallery**. The gallery acts as a centralized location that stores images and allows all users to load them onto their websites. You may want to store images of your school or other commonly used images within the gallery.

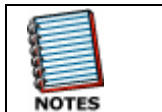
Once you click the **Administer Local Image Gallery** link, you have the options to edit your categories and to upload new images.

Figure 4-30
Administer Image
Gallery



Adding/Editing Categories

To create a new category or edit an existing category, click the **Edit Categories** icon located at the bottom of the **Local Image Gallery** window.



SchoolCenter will not allow you to delete some categories that it uses in the software.

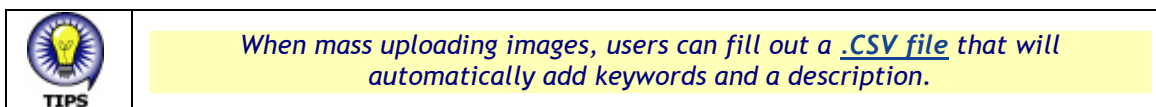
Figure 4-31
Gallery Categories



Mass Upload to Local Image Gallery

This utility allows users to upload multiple images into **Our Gallery**. To begin, you will need to place all images into a zip file on your hard drive.

- Once you click the **Mass Upload to Local Image Gallery** link, select from the drop-down menu the category where you want to place the images.
- Type the description and keywords for the images and then upload them by clicking **Browse** and browsing for the zipped file on your hard drive.
- Once you locate the zip file, click **Upload Zip File**.



- To upload another zip file, click the **[Upload another batch]** link or click the **[Local Image Gallery]** link to return to the image gallery.

Add to Local Image Gallery

You have two methods to add images to the gallery. **Enhanced Mode** will let you select multiple files to upload to the image gallery by simply dragging and dropping the files you select. Enhanced Mode uses Java™, so if you are uncertain as to whether you have Java™, simply use the **Standard Mode**.

Choose between the **Enhanced** and **Standard** mode and then click **Select Upload Method**.

Figure 4-32
Upload Method



Adding Images- Standard

- In the **Admin** menu, click the **Add Image to Local Image Gallery** link.
- In the new window, select **Standard Mode**, then click **Select Upload Method**.
- Click **Upload the image** by clicking **Browse** and locating the file on your hard drive.

Figure 4-33
Standard Upload



- Once you locate the image file, double-click the file the image will be uploaded into the gallery.
- You have the option to click **Done** or to browse for more pictures.
- Once you have uploaded all of your pictures, click **Done**.
- A new window will open. From the drop-down menu, select the category where you want to place the item. You can also select **Delete** next to any of the image files you no longer want uploaded.
- Click **Done** once you have organized your images.

Adding Images - Enhanced

- In the **Admin** menu, click the **Add Image to Local Image Gallery** link.
- In the new window, choose **Enhanced Mode**, then click **Select Upload Method**.
- To drag and drop files into this new window, you must open a file browser. This can be done simply by opening the file or files where you store your images.
- Drag the images you want to add from your file browser to the **SchoolCenter Add Image Window**.
- You can choose to remove any of the files by highlighting the image and clicking **Remove**.
- Click **Done** when you are finished adding your images.
- Your images will be uploaded and you will be given another opportunity to delete any images you do not want to be added to your gallery.
- Click **Done** to save your changes.

Chapter 5 - Site Administration

To access the **Site Administration** page, click the **Admin** button located in the menu. Next, click any of the listed links to customize the system to your specifications. **Site Preferences** allows you to choose exactly how you want your site set up. Site Preferences is where you choose options for the login screen, where you enable the profanity filter, and where you will set up terms and conditions.

Site Preferences

The **Site Preferences** option provides a list of options for customizing your system.

Login Page Options

This component allows you to either show or hide the "**Remember Me**" and "**Lost Password?**" features from the Login page. These two options can be very helpful, but in schools with public computer access, using the "**Remember Me**" option is not advised for security reasons. However, many people will forget passwords, or if the passwords are changed at regular intervals, people will find the option of retrieving a password on the login screen very valuable.

Figure 5-1
Login Options

Desktop Settings

This component allows you to remove user access to certain types of webpages. You have the option to hide the public sites and support buttons for users who do not have edit access or for everyone. These options allow you to determine how much you want certain users to see depending on their edit access to your site.

Figure 5-2
Desktop Settings



TIPS

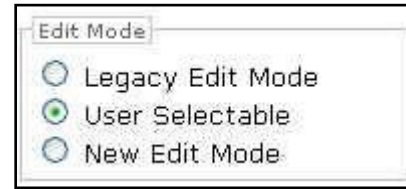
You may want to hide the support buttons, which link to the SchoolCenter Support site, if your school chooses to create its own documentation for the system.

Edit Mode

The **Edit Mode** option allows you to choose how you want the edit mode options to appear on your site. **Legacy Edit Mode** keeps the Edit Mode functioning as it always has with the edit buttons appearing on the page. **User Selectable** allows users to choose between **Legacy Edit Mode** and **New Edit Mode** in the **Preferences** tab located in the **Login Information Edit** options. **New Edit**

Mode places the edit options in context menus and drop-down menus.

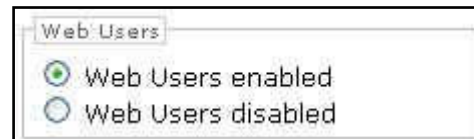
Figure 5-3
Edit Mode Options



Web Users

You have the option to choose between enabling web users or disabling web users. If you choose **Web Users enabled**, different pages throughout your site, including Blog, Forum, Guestbook, Photo Album, and Document Manager will allow web users to create an account and post comments. If you choose this option you have the option of adding an email address. Notifications of web users needing approval will be sent to the email address provided. If you choose **Web Users disabled**, web users will not be able to post comments.

Figure 5-4
Web Users



Hit Counter Exclude

This option allows you to exclude certain IP addresses from being counted in the Home Page's Hit Counter. For instance, blocking out your own IP address or a user that updates or views the site daily will keep these hits from being counted along with those of your target audience.

Figure 5-5
Exclude IP Address from Hit Counter



Web Stats

This option allows you to exclude certain IP addresses from being counted in the Home Page's Hit Counter and the Web Stats Report. For instance, blocking out your own IP address or a user that updates or views the site daily will keep these hits from being counted along with those of your target audience.

Figure 5-6
Web Stats



Profanity Filter

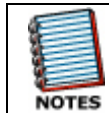
If you select **Enable profanity filter for web content**, the **Profanity Filter** will be activated.

Enabling the profanity filter is generally a good idea if you want to make sure that no profanity is posted anywhere on the site, even accidentally.

Figure 5-7
Profanity Filter



Enter the email address of the person who will be monitoring the site for profanity (often the Main Site Administrator). Any profanity used within the system in a text box, user name, or file name will cause an email notice to be sent out. In addition, the word will automatically be replaced with ***** and the user will be logged out.

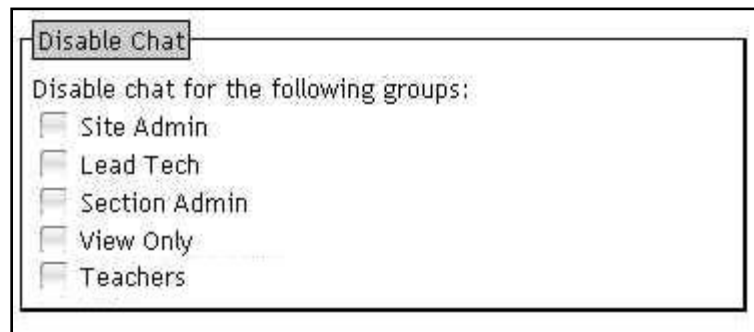


For more information, view [Profanity Filter - Word List and Profanity Report](#).

Disable Chat

This feature allows you to disable chat by group access level, which will prevent certain users from using SchoolCenter's Chat. By allowing specific groups to use the chat feature, you can have teachers and administrators chat with each other but not allow students to chat. Since chat is faster than email, many schools find it useful.

Figure 5-8
Disable Chat



Terms and Conditions

If you select the **Terms and Conditions** option, all those wanting to view the site must agree to your terms and conditions prior to be allowed entry to the site. This feature will allow you to set up rules of conduct for all those entering the site, such as acceptable site content, copyright infringement warnings, site policies, or anything else you want visitors of your site to know prior to logging in.

Once you have customized the site preferences, click the **Save Site Preferences** button located at the bottom of the screen to save the changes and to put them into effect for the site.

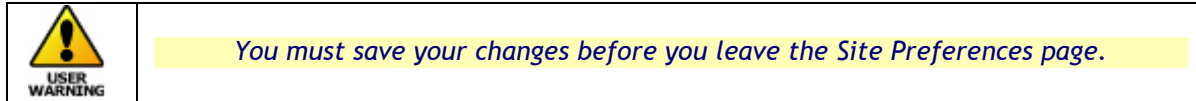


Figure 5-9
Terms & Conditions

A screenshot of a web application window titled 'Terms & Conditions'. Inside the window, there is a checkbox labeled 'Enable Terms & Conditions.' followed by the text 'Enabling this will block all access to the site until they agree to the terms.' Below this text is a large, empty rectangular text area. At the bottom of the text area, there is a line of text that reads: 'Please agree to these terms and conditions before entering the site.'

Password Restrictions

Password Restrictions

This option allows you to change the password settings for your site so you can increase or decrease security of passwords based on your district or school's needs.

Maximum Password Age

This setting allows you to set the length of time you want before your passwords expire.

Password Never Expires. Choose this option if you want to set the passwords in the system to remain in place indefinitely.

Expires in __ Days. Choose this option if you would like the passwords to expire periodically so that new passwords must be chosen. You can select the number of days between password expirations from the drop-down menu.



If you choose to allow passwords to expire, you may want to change your Password Uniqueness settings.

Minimum Password Length

At Least __ Characters. You can require that any password chosen must contain at least a certain number of characters. That number can be selected from the drop-down menu.

Password Uniqueness

Do Not Keep Password History. Old passwords will not be remembered with this option, which will allow previously used passwords to be repeated.

Remember __ Passwords. This option allows the system to remember a certain number of passwords. Select the number you want from the available drop-down menu. This option will not let a password be re-used until this number of passwords has been counted.

Passwords must contain both numbers & letters. This option requires that passwords must contain numbers and letters.

When you have customized all preferences, click **Save** to save your changes.

Figure 5-10
Password Restrictions

Password Restrictions

Maximum Password Age

☒ Password Never Expires

☐ Expires In 30 Days

Minimum Password Length

At least 3 Characters

Password Uniqueness

☒ Do Not Keep Password History

☐ Remember 5 Passwords

☐ Passwords must contain both numbers & letters.

Save

Message Multiple Users

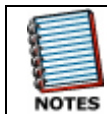
Message Multiple Users

The **Message Multiple Users** feature allows you to easily send a mass email to all or some of your users. This component is useful in letting different groups know about upcoming events and meetings. You will find it is also a useful tool in sending out announcements.

Once you click the **Message Multiple Users** link, you will see a **Compose** screen where the **From** field is already filled out and the **To** field contains a listing of users by groups and by categories. This field also has an **All Users** option, which will include everyone in the site with a User ID.

Figure 5-11
Message Multiple Users

- Select the groups and categories that you want to receive the email. You may select multiple choices.
- Once you have finished typing the subject and the message for the email, click **Send Messages**.



*The email address where the message will be sent to is the address placed in the **User Info**.*

Your message will automatically be sent to all users in the groups or categories you chose.

Global Messages

Global Messages

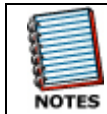
By using the **Global Messages** feature, you can post messages in certain areas on the site for all users in selected access levels. This can be useful in giving announcements to a large group of people simultaneously. You can announce upcoming holidays, parent teacher conferences, school events, or make any other announcement.

Figure 5-12
Global Messages



- Begin by clicking the **Add New Global Message** link.
- General**
- Under the **General** tab, select the access level group that you want to receive the message from the **Show For** drop-down menu.
 - Type the title for the new message in the **Title** field.
 - Type your message in the **Message** text box.

Figure 5-13
Global Messages
Window



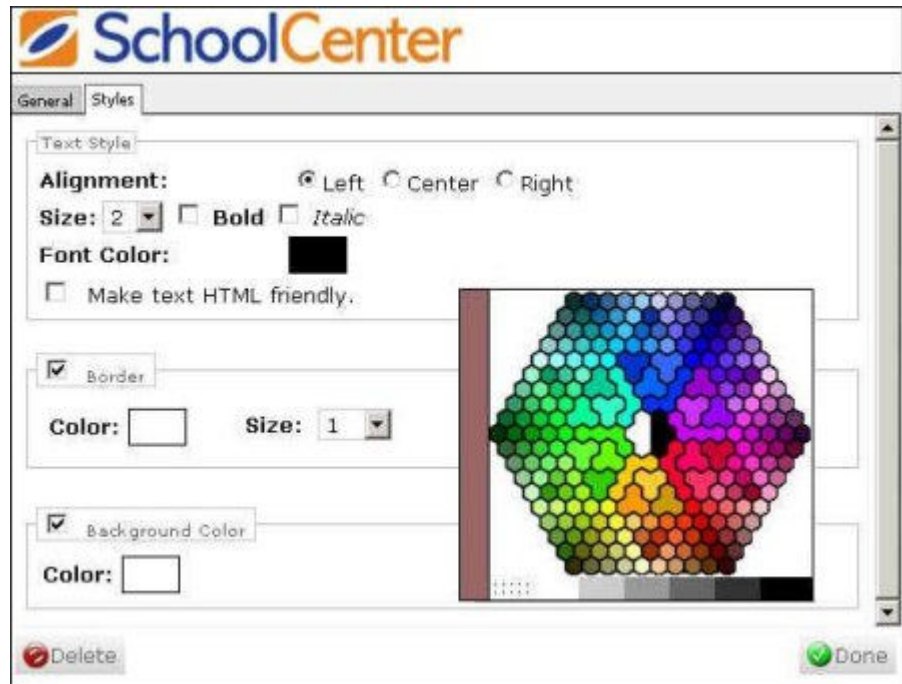
If you prefer, you can also use the Advanced Content Editor (ACE) to create the message. For more information on using the ACE, see Adding Text and Advanced Content Editor.

- When your message is ready, you can then choose whether or not you would like to display the message on the Start Page, as a footer on all pages, on the Login Page, on the district/school Home Page, or on a combination of these choices.

Styles

- Click the **Styles** tab to choose the alignment, font size, and font color.
- Select the **Border** box to open the border options. Choose the desired border color from the **Color Picker** and border size from the **Size** drop-down menu.

Figure 5-14
Color Picker



- Select the **Background Color** box to open the color options and choose the desired background color for this text field from the drop-down menu.
- Click the empty **Color** square in each to open the Color Picker.
- Move the cursor over the Color Picker and select the color by clicking the desired color's circle. You will see your choice appear in the Color box.
- Once you are finished, go back to the General tab and select the **Make this message active** box to activate the global message.
- Click **Done**.
- Active global messages will have a green check mark located to the left of the message name. Inactive messages will have a red circle.



Only one global message can be active at one time.

Your global message is now set to appear before your selected users and on the page you choose.

Edit Site Footer

Edit Site Footer

With the **Site Footer**, you can create a text message that will appear at the bottom of every page in your district. For example, you can put in your district or school address, telephone number, or other contact information so that every page of your site has this information.

- Click the **Admin** button on your Desktop and click the **Site Footer** link.
- Type the information you want in the text area and customize the text and appearance with the options below. This works the same way as the **Advanced Content Editor**, covered in detail in **Chapter 7 - Editing Your Webpage**.
- In the **Text Style** box, you can choose the alignment, size, font color, whether to bold or italicize your text, and to make your text HTML friendly.
- Select the **Border** box to open the border options. Choose the desired border color from the **Color Picker** and border size from the **Size** drop-down menu.
- Select the **Background Color** box to open the color options and choose the desired background color for this text field from the drop-down menu.
- Click the empty **Color** square in each to open the Color Picker.
- Move the cursor over the Color Picker and select the color by clicking in the desired color's circle. You will see your choice show up in the Color box.
- When you are finished, click **Save**. Next, click **Done**.



The screenshot shows the SchoolCenter Admin interface. At the top is the SchoolCenter logo and a navigation bar with links: Start Page, Public Sites, Design, Reports, Admin, Users, Organizer, Support, and Log Off. Below the navigation bar is a status bar showing the date (Wednesday, August 2nd) and a breadcrumb trail: > Documentation - Version 7.0 > Home. The main content area contains a large text input field for the footer text. Below this field are three buttons: Advanced Content Editor, Check Spelling, and Preview. The form is divided into sections: Text Style, Border, and Background Color. The Text Style section includes options for Alignment (Left, Center, Right), Size (a dropdown menu set to 2), Bold, Italic, Font Color (a black color picker), and a checkbox for Make text HTML friendly. The Border section has a checkbox for Border and a corresponding color picker. The Background Color section has a checked checkbox for Background Color and a color picker. At the bottom right of the form are two buttons: Done and Save.

Figure 5-15
Edit Site Footer

The text you have entered will now appear as your district's site footer.

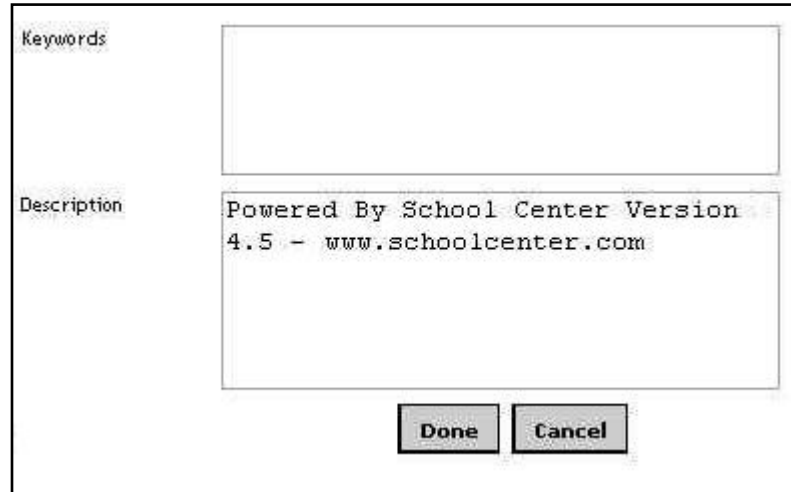
Edit Meta Tags

Edit Meta Tags

This option allows you to add keywords and phrases to your website's meta tags for Internet search engines. If these words are typed into the search engine, the search will include your site in the results. You can enter words such as your school's name, your sports team's name, or any other term you think someone who is interested in your site might look under.

- To view the Edit Meta Tags, click **Edit Meta Tags**.
- In the **Keywords** text box, type key words and phrases, separated by commas, that might be used to search for your website.

Figure 5-16
Edit Meta Tags



The screenshot shows a dialog box titled 'Edit Meta Tags'. It has two text input fields. The first field is labeled 'Keywords' and is empty. The second field is labeled 'Description' and contains the text 'Powered By School Center Version 4.5 - www.schoolcenter.com'. Below the fields are two buttons: 'Done' and 'Cancel'.

- In the **Description** box, type a description for your website. The description will be shown with the site link when the search produces your site in a listing.



Adding Meta Tags to your site will not automatically register your site with search engines. However, if you do register your site with a search engine, you must have these Meta Tags filled out.

Profanity Filter Word List

Profanity Filter - Word List

You can view, add to, or delete from the **Profanity Filter** word list. This list contains all the words that the system will automatically view as profanity when entered in a text box or as part of a user name or file name.

- To view the words in the Profanity Filter, select a letter or number to display the words in that section.
- You have the option to delete any word that is in the Profanity Filter by clicking the **Delete** icon that appears at the left of the word.
- To add words to the Profanity Filter, click **Add Word**.
- Type the words you want to add.
- Click **Add Word**. You will then receive a confirmation message stating that SchoolCenter has been notified of your requested addition.



*For more information on the Profanity Filter and text that has been marked as profanity, go to **Reports** and click the **Profanity Filter** link.*

Restrict File Types By Group

Use the **Restrict File Types** option to block specific user categories from uploading certain file types through the system.

- Choose the group you would like to place file restrictions.
- Click the **Edit** icon located to the left of the group listing.
- Delete **(none)** from the **File Restrictions** text box. Type the file extensions you want to block, making sure to separate the listings by commas.

Figure 5-17
File Restrictions

Edit	Access	Title	Members	File Restrictions
Edit		Site Admin	66	(none)
Edit		Lead Tech	2	(none)
Edit		Section Admin	37	.mp3, .avi, .mov
Edit		View Only	237	.mp3, .avi, .mov, .ppt, .txt, .pdf, .swf

- Click **Done**. The file restrictions you have set will show in the far-right column in the list of groups.



File extensions that are often blocked include .mp3 files and .avi files.

Truncate Users By Expiration Date

Truncate Users by Expiration Date

The **Truncate Users by Expiration Date** option allows you to delete users by using their password expiration date as criteria. This option is helpful for students who will be graduating, teachers who are retiring, or any other users that have a specific date when they will no longer be using the software.

- You will need to determine the date range by choosing a **From** date and a **To** date. You can either type the dates or select them from the **Date Picker** icon located to the right of each text box.

Delete users that expire...

From: 01/01/2005

To: 06/30/2005

You are about to delete 6 users.
Are you sure you want to do this?

Yes, I'm Sure No, Go Back

The following users are about to be deleted:

Access	Name	Login	Expiration Date
	Mary Smith	MSmith	03/14/2005
	Alan Price	APrice	04/12/2005
	Richard Grands	RGrands	05/10/2005
	APRIL FOXLER	APFOXLER	06/01/2005
	Andy White	awhite	06/01/2005
	Arron Arnet	AArnet	06/21/2005

Figure 5-18
Truncate Users

- Once you have the dates in place, click **Truncate**.
- Click **OK** to continue. All users whose passwords will expire between the specified dates will be listed below.
- To delete these users, click **Yes, I'm Sure**.
- To reset the date criteria, click **No, Go Back**.

You should now have your site utilities set to your preferences. For more information about Site Administration issues, including Image Utilities, see the Desktop Management section of this manual.

Font Management

Font Management

In the **Font Management** Utility, the Main Site Administrator can select font styles to remove from user selection. The available fonts are listed under Font Management. By clicking the box located to the left of the font, you are selecting the font or fonts you want excluded from the entire site's Font drop-down menu. This feature can give your site a more uniform look and can be used to select fonts that show up better on your site background.

Arial, Helvetica, and Verdana are the three fonts highlighted in gray,. These three fonts are considered to be the three best fonts for viewing webpages.

When you have completed selecting the fonts, click **Save Fonts**. The fonts selected will now be removed from all font drop-down menus within the **SchoolCenter** software.


Figure 5-19
Font Management

Font Management

Selected fonts will be disabled from the drop down menus throughout the site.

Disable Font Family

☐ Arial (Default)
☐ Century Gothic
☐ Charcoal
☐ Chicago
☐ Comic Sans MS
☐ Cooperplate Gothic Bold
☐ Cooperplate Gothic Italic
☐ Courier New
☐ Garamond
☐ Georgia
☒ Helvetica (Default)
☐ MS Sans Serif
☐ Tahoma
☐ Techno
☐ Times New Roman
☐ Trebuchet MS
☒ Verdana (Default)

 Save Fonts

Themes Management

SchoolCenter Themes Management allows you to choose which themes you want to be made available throughout your site. In **Page Design**, the **Themes** option allows for pre-made page themes to be implemented in your site.

Enable Page Design Access allows users to access Page Design so they can make changes to sites or pages in which they have edit access.

Disable Page Design: Only allow access to SchoolCenter themes and District layouts will allow users to only access themes and districts layouts. This option gives your district or school sites and pages a uniform appearance.

Disable Page Design: Only allow access to District-provided layouts allows users to only use layouts provided by the district. With many districts and schools using Rapid Design for custom-made sites, this option enables districts to have all sites and pages uniform in design.

There are some themes that may not go well with your district or school's design. If there are themes you do not want used in your school or district, you can disable them in this screen.

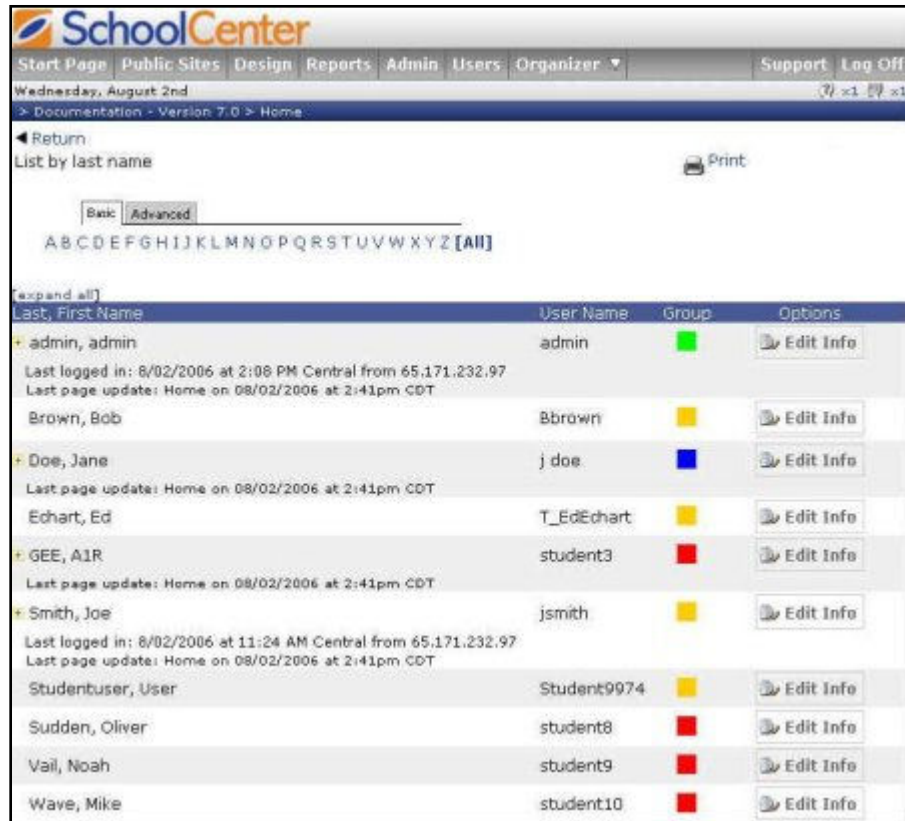
- After clicking **Themes Management**, click the button next to the level of page design access you want implemented throughout your site.
- Click the themes you want disabled. If you are uncertain what a theme looks like, simply click the theme name to see it.
- When you have finished making your selections, click **Save Settings**.

Admin Reports

Admin Reports

Valid Upload Filetypes

Valid Upload Filetypes shows a listing of the different types of files you can upload using the SchoolCenter software. The files types are listed within their categories. The categories are Document, Video, Image, Executable, Audio, and Archive.



The screenshot shows the SchoolCenter web interface. The top navigation bar includes links for Start Page, Public Sites, Design, Reports, Admin, Users, and Organizer. The 'Reports' link is selected. Below the navigation bar, the page title is 'Valid Upload Filetypes'. The main content area shows a search results page for the 'User Access List' report. The search criteria are 'List by last name' and 'Basic' view. The results are displayed in a table with columns: Last, First Name, User Name, Group, and Options. The table lists several users, including 'admin, admin', 'Brown, Bob', 'Doe, Jane', 'Echart, Ed', 'GEE, AIR', 'Smith, Joe', 'Studentuser, User', 'Sudden, Oliver', 'Vail, Noah', and 'Wave, Mike'. Each user entry includes details about their last login and page update, and an 'Edit Info' button.

Last, First Name	User Name	Group	Options
admin, admin	admin	Green	Edit Info
Last logged in: 8/02/2006 at 2:08 PM Central from 65.171.232.97 Last page update: Home on 08/02/2006 at 2:41pm CDT			
Brown, Bob	Bbrowri	Yellow	Edit Info
Doe, Jane	j doe	Blue	Edit Info
Last page update: Home on 08/02/2006 at 2:41pm CDT			
Echart, Ed	T_EdEchart	Yellow	Edit Info
GEE, AIR	student3	Red	Edit Info
Last page update: Home on 08/02/2006 at 2:41pm CDT			
Smith, Joe	jsmith	Yellow	Edit Info
Last logged in: 8/02/2006 at 11:24 AM Central from 65.171.232.97 Last page update: Home on 08/02/2006 at 2:41pm CDT			
Studentuser, User	Student9974	Yellow	Edit Info
Sudden, Oliver	student8	Red	Edit Info
Vail, Noah	student9	Red	Edit Info
Wave, Mike	student10	Red	Edit Info

Figure 5-20
Reports

User Access Lists

The **User Access List** is a simple and easy way of searching for users within the school district. This report allows you to search for a user by last name to see what sections or pages this user has access to. This is available only to Site Administrators.

Figure 5-21
User Access List

Return

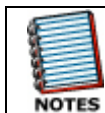
classes ascending 20

class code ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ [All] 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

Found 4 classes

Math 101 Class Code : NA	Matt Class Class Code : 123
Reading Class Code : 1111	SOPHOMORE 3/4B ENGLISH Class Code : 350-10275

The Basic and Advanced mode are the two ways you have to view the **User Access List**. The report shows you the user's last and first name, user name, group level of access, and information options. Click the plus sign icon or the **[expand all]** link to see the access list for the user.



If a user doesn't expand, this means that the user has yet to be assigned to edit any sections/pages.

Export Student Hashes

The **Export Student Hashes** feature is used with **Grades Online** and allows users with this permission to export all student hash codes at one time. Hash codes are passwords used so that parents can log in and see their child's grade information.

To send a Hash Code Report, click **Reports** and select **Export Student Hashes**. Next, click the **Send Comma-Separated Export Now** link. This will send the hashes to the email of the person logged in, and you will receive a confirmation message that the file was sent. The hash codes will be in a password-protected .zip file that can be unzipped.



*If the district or school email system does not allow .zip files to be sent via email, **SchoolCenter** can change the file extension. Please contact **SchoolCenter** Support for more information.*

Export Raw Grades Data

This feature is used with **Grades Online** and allows users with this permission to export all grades at one time.

To send a Raw Grades Data report, click **Reports** and select **Export Raw Grades Data**. Next, click the **Send Comma-Separated Export Now** link. This will send the grades data to the email of the person logged in, and you will receive a confirmation message that the file was sent. The grades data will be in a password-protected .zip file that can be unzipped.



*If the district or school email system does not allow .zip files to be sent via email, **SchoolCenter** can change the file extension. Please contact **SchoolCenter** Support for more information.*

Full Grades List

The **Full Grades List** allows those with access to view all the uploaded grades information online.

Chapter 6 - User Management

Adding Multiple Users

Adding Multiple Users

To save time, or if you are dealing with a large number of users that need to be added into the system, you can import users by mass uploading your users from a comma-delimited file. You can use any comma-delimited file you have, but if you are not familiar with creating CSV spreadsheets in Microsoft Excel, follow the instructions below. If you are familiar with this process, follow the manual as it picks up after the creation of the spreadsheet.

Figure 6-1
Mass Upload Templates



To Create a CSV Spreadsheet in Microsoft Excel

- Click the **Support** button located at the top of the page to go to the SchoolCenter Support Site.
- Click the **Mass Upload Templates** link on the Component Features page or homepage.
- Choose the user upload template by clicking the **User Template** link in the table.
- The User Template will download a file that has sample data in it. Highlight the data and delete it, then enter your users' information and save the file on your computer.



You will need a separate file for each type of user or category (for example, student email and teacher email) you want to upload.

Import Users

The **Import Users** tab allows administrators to mass upload users and create user ID's. The mass upload option is helpful for districts and schools with large numbers of users.

To use the mass upload option, you will first need to fill out the **Mass Data Upload Template**. This template is a spreadsheet that can be downloaded from the **SchoolCenter Support & Service** site.



	<i>Be sure to save the template file as a Comma-Delimited (.csv) file.</i>
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Figure 6-2
Import



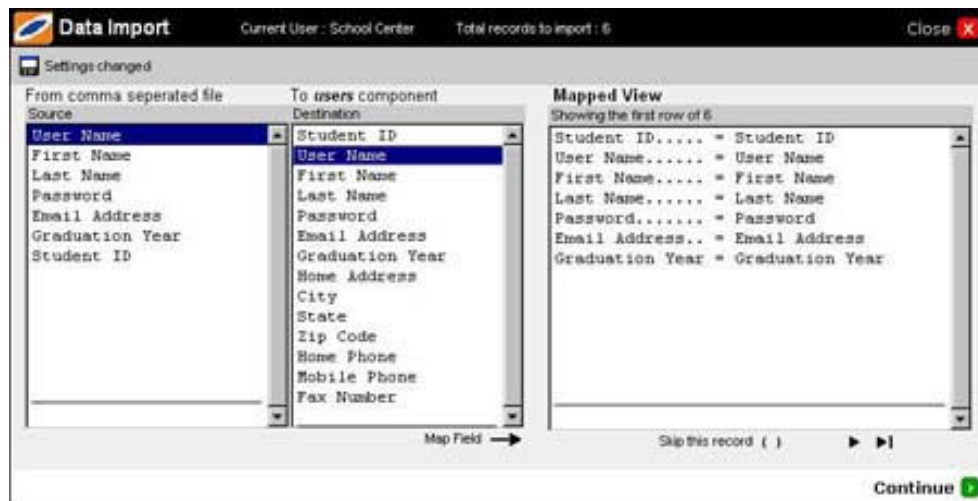
To mass upload users, click **User Editor** and select the **Import Users** tab. In the new window that opens, you will see that **Comma-Separated** has already been selected for you.

- Click the **Import User** tab, then click **Browse** to search for the saved .csv file.
- Once you have found the correct file, click the file name, then click **Open**. The file should now show in the **Browse** window.
- Click the **Upload File** link.
- When the file is uploaded, the field descriptions from the file are listed on the left side and the **SchoolCenter** field names are listed in the middle. Now, you can match your field names with the **SchoolCenter** field names.
- Click **Upload File** to upload the file for mass upload.

	<i>We recommend uploading files from a floppy disk to the hard drive before uploading.</i>
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- The next step is mapping the data from the Source box to the Destination box. Highlight the matching items and click **Map Field**. The mapped view will display the items that you matched.

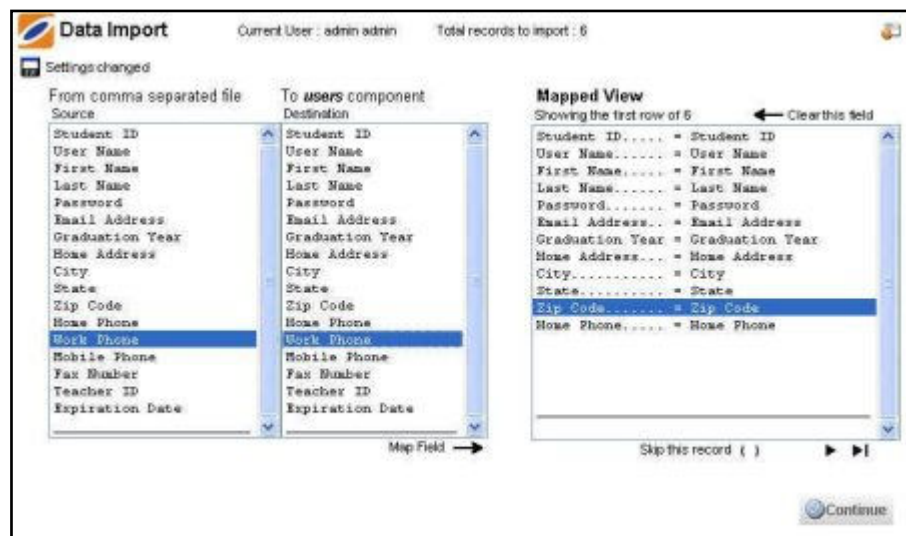
Figure 6-3
Map Field
Window



To match the fields

- Click **User Name** in the left-hand box.
- Click **User Name** in the middle box.
- Click the **Map Field** link located below the middle box.
- When you have marked these, the right-hand box will show the mapping details. Repeat this procedure until all the fields are mapped correctly.

Figure 6-4
Field Mapping



- If you have titles for your fields, you can select the **Skip this record** link so the titles are not uploaded as users.
- Click the arrow to the right of the **Skip this record** link. Now your first record will show in the right-hand box.
- Click the **Continue** link.
- You will be asked if you want to save a map of your file. Click **Yes** to continue.
- Now you may choose the type of user. You can also at this time mark the user category, if necessary, and any user options.
- Click the **proceed with import** link to upload your users.

Figure 6-5
Select User Options

Data Import Current User : admin admin

Select your user type

Import as users of type: Section Admin

Place user into the following categories:

- ☐ Disable changing user info.
- ☐ Disable login.
- ☒ Can Upload Grades.
- ☐ Authenticate Users from Active Directory.
- ☐ Camel Rock High School
- ☐ Parents
- ☐ School of Excellence
- ☐ School of Higher Learning
- ☐ Students
- ☒ Teachers

proceed with import

Once you have completed the upload, a report of successful users added as well as any rejected records will show.

Figure 6-6
Completed Upload

Data Import Current User : admin admin

Complete - The import was successful.

Import Type = The data just imported was added to the already existing data.

Records Imported = 5

Records Skipped = 0

Records unprocessed due to invalidation = 1

Invalid Email Addresses = 1

1) Email Address

New Import Close

Rejections will occur if you have duplicate user names, student ID's, or if you are missing required information.

Imported and Records Skipped are shown. To continue, you can choose from the Undo the Import, Start a New Import or Close This Window options.

After the import is completed, the new users must be assigned to areas to edit. For more information on this, see the **Adding Users** and **Assigning Users** sections of this manual.

With the **User Manager**, you can add or delete users, change user information, or change a user's level of access. You can manage users in either the **Basic** or **Advanced** modes by locating the user you want to manage through the **Search** function or adding a new user.

User Management

The **Main Site Administrator** is chosen by each district as the person who will ultimately be in charge of the district or school's site. The main site administrator, once chosen, is set up by **SchoolCenter** to control all aspects of the site, including users, content approval, access levels, and so forth.

A **Site Administrator** helps the Main Site Administrator with various aspects of running the site, including setting up users and approving pages.

Adding Users to the System

You can add users to the system by clicking **User Editor** located just below the blue date and time/Organizer bar.

Figure 6-7
Access Manager

- To add a single user, first click the **User Manager** tab. You have the option to use the Basic or Advanced mode. For the purposes of this documentation, you will use the Basic mode.

Figure 6-8
User Search

Add a Current User

To Add a Current User

- To add a user who is already signed up with **SchoolCenter**, add the user's first or last name and/or their user name.
- Click **Search**.
- When you see the listing for the person you want to add, click the listing to add that user to the system.

To Add a New User

- Click **Add A New User** to get started.
- You will then add a user name in the box that appears in the pop-up window.
- Click **Next** at the bottom right of the pop-up, which will take you to the **User Information** window.
- The fields marked with a red asterisk are required fields. Enter the information you want to add.
- Choose a password for the new user. The password must contain a combination of letters and numbers. Once you have selected a password and typed it in the **New Password** field, you will re-type it in the **Confirm New** field text box to verify the password. For more on changing a password, see **Chapter 7 - Desktop Management**.
- Click **Done**.



To bypass typing in an email address for a specific user, the "@" symbol substitutes for an email address.

User Manager

- Enter the first and last name and email address for the new user.

Figure 6-9
User Editor Window



The following is a list of characters that cannot be used within a User ID.
' " ~ ` ! @ # \$ % ^ & * () = + [] | ; : / ? > <



If you do not know the email address of the user, you can, as an alternative, add in the @ symbol, which will satisfy that required field.

- Type the password for the user in the **Password** text box.
- Re-enter the same password in the **Confirm New** field. (As there are more steps to follow, do not click **Done** yet.)

Access Info

- This section provides the opportunity to give edit/view privileges, to remove user access from pages, and to delete users from your site. **SchoolCenter** access levels are designed so that, regardless of the access level that you are assigned, you can add, edit, and delete users in the levels below your level of access.
- Click the **Access Info** tab to choose the level of access you would like to assign to the user.
- To select the level of access for the user, click the **Access Level** link or click the colored box located to the right of the **Access Level** link.

Figure 6-10
Access Info

You have different levels of access that you can assign users:

Site Admin: This level of access is granted to the main site administrator and site administrators. Generally, these are the users who monitor the website. These users can include such users as tech coordinators, site managers, and technology directors. Site Admin users, by default, have access to any portion of the website.

Lead Tech: This level of access is mainly reserved for the website managers of each school. Generally, these users will be the main website contact and managers of the school's website. Lead Tech users, by default, have access to any portion of the site. They can, however, be added to a single school and be kept within that school.



Section Admin: This level of access is usually reserved for teachers or any other person to whom you want to grant editing access confined to a specific section (classroom, club page, PTA page, etc.). By default, Section Admin users have view-only access when not added to a specific portion of the site. Once they are assigned to a certain section, you can change their edit access to grant them edit rights.

View Only: This level of access is reserved for users with access to view password-protected pages but who do not have access to edit the pages. This is mostly used for students or restricted users. By default, view-only users have view-only access when not added to a specific portion of the site. Once they are assigned to a certain section, you can change their edit access to grant them edit

rights.


Access Info gives you the following options: **Disable Login**, **Disable Changing User Info** and **Bypass Desktop on Login**. Teachers have the option to allow the user to upload grades.

The final option in the **Access Info** tab is to expire the user's login on a specific date. Simply choose the date you want the user's login to expire from the date picker.

	<p><i>Each individual district or school determines the setup of each user's access and privileges. The above assignments are only suggestions.</i></p>
	<p><i>You can also assign users to a custom group level of access. For more information on creating custom group levels, view the Groups Manager section. For more information on what level of access should be given to different users, see the Access and Privileges section.</i></p>

If you are granting Site Admin, Lead Tech or Section Admin access to the user, you will also have the Teacher Options for the Grades Online.

If your school uses the Grades Online feature, select this option by selecting the **Can Upload Grades** box. This will assign the grades components into the user's Desktop Organizer.

	<p><i>For more information on the Grades Online feature, visit our Support and Services site and review the Reporting Grades section.</i></p>
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Other Info

The third tab in the User Editor window is the **Other Info** tab. This is the area where users can enter in additional personal information that will be accessible to only those users that have Site Admin or Lead Tech access.

The screenshot shows the 'Other Info' tab in the User Editor window. The tab is selected, and the following fields are visible:

- Teacher ID: Jane Doe
- Student ID: (empty)
- Hash Code: (empty)
- Graduation Year: (empty)
- Grade Level: (empty)
- Title: (empty)
- Company/School: District of Quality
- Hours: (empty)
- Address: 1234 Anywhere Lane
- City: Carbondale
- State: Illinois (dropdown menu)
- Zip: 62901
- Phone: (empty)
- Mobile Phone: (empty)
- Work Phone: (empty)
- Fax Number: (empty)
- Picture: (empty)

At the bottom of the form, there are four buttons: Delete, Done, Cancel, and Save.

Figure 6-11
Other Info Tab



The fields listed under the Other Info tab are not required; however, if you are using the Grades Online feature, you may need to fill out the Student ID or Teacher ID fields. For more information on the Grades Online feature, visit our [Support and Services](#) site and review the [Reporting Grades](#) section.

Categories

The **Categories** tab allows you to assign categories for your users. When your users are placed into categories, you can easily manage them, as you can search for specific users without having to display every user in the district. You can have a category for students, teachers, specific grades, extracurricular groups, or any other category you find useful.

Figure 6-12
Categories Window

User Info	Access Info	Other Info	Categories	Permissions
<input type="checkbox"/>	Camel Rock High School (0)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Dev School (0)	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Parents (0)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	School of Excellence (16)	
<input type="checkbox"/>	School of Higher Learning (0)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Students (0)	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Teachers (9)			



Categories are only available for users at the Site Admin access level.

- To assign a user to a category, select the box located to the left of the category name. Users can be in multiple categories.



For more information on managing users within categories, see the [User Categories](#) section.

Permissions

In the **Permissions** tab, you can select specific pages where the user will have editing access. Assigning different users editing access for different areas of your site will allow certain users to edit areas in which they are familiar without allowing them to edit everywhere within your site.

- You can do this by either selecting the specific pages you want the user to have editing access to, or by choosing a group from the drop-down menu to automatically select pages.
- Once you have the user's account set up according to your preferences and have assigned the user's access level, you will need to assign the user's edit privileges.
- Once you are finished using the options in the User Editor window, click **Done**. The user's information will be saved and added to your site.
- If the information in any user's account needs to be changed, click the **Edit Info** icon to open the User Editor window and make changes to the account.

Figure 6-13
Permissions Tab

Category	Permission	Status
General	Add Pages	Checked
	Edit Navigation	Checked
	Edit Page Settings	Checked
	Manage Groups	Unchecked
	Add Users	Unchecked
	Edit Users	Unchecked
	View Users	Unchecked
	Edit Page Design	Unchecked
Reports	View Page Design	Unchecked
	Reports Access	Unchecked
	Export Raw Grades Data	Unchecked
	Export Student Hashes	Unchecked
	Full Grades List	Unchecked
Site Admin	User Access List	Unchecked
	Site Admin Access	Unchecked
	Edit Global Messages	Unchecked
	Font Management	Unchecked
	Message Multiple Users	Unchecked
	Password Restrictions	Unchecked
	Profanity Filter - Word List	Unchecked
	Purge/Remove Users By Expiration Date	Unchecked
	Restrict File Types By Group	Unchecked
Site Preferences	Unchecked	
Image Gallery	Add to Image Gallery	Checked
	Manage Image Gallery	Unchecked

Buttons: Delete, Done, Cancel, Save

Edit privileges depend on what level of access is assigned to the user. Users assigned to Site Admin and Lead Tech access will automatically be given edit privileges. Users with Section Admin or View Only access will automatically be given View Only privileges.

Preferences

In the **Preferences** tab, you can choose how you would like your toolbar icons to appear. You can choose between **Text only** or **Icons and text**.

Access Manager

Access Manager

The **Access Manager** allows administrators to manually add or remove users and to assign users to edit sections or specific pages. This section provides the opportunity to give edit/view privileges, to remove user access from pages, and to delete users from your site. **SchoolCenter** access levels are designed so that, regardless of the access level you are assigned, you can add, edit, and delete users in the levels below your level of access.

Assigning Users

When you assign users to a specific section or page, there are two ways to navigate to the areas where users should be assigned.

You can navigate to the section where you want to add the user and then click **My Desktop**. Next, you can click **User Editor** and select the **Access Manager**.

The second option is to assign them directly from the User Editor.

- When working in the User Editor, click the **Access Manager**.
- Click the **Go To Selection List** link, where you will see a list of sections within your site.
- Click the down arrows to expand your options.
- When you have found the section where you want to add your user, click that link and you will be directed to the User Editor for that section.

Figure 6-14
Preferences Tab



The screenshot shows the 'SchoolCenter' interface with the 'Preferences' tab selected. The tab contains two sections: 'Edit Mode' and 'Toolbar Icons'. In 'Edit Mode', the 'Legacy' radio button is selected. In 'Toolbar Icons', the 'Text only' radio button is selected. At the bottom of the form are four buttons: 'Delete' (with a red X icon), 'Done' (with a green checkmark icon), 'Cancel' (with an orange minus icon), and 'Save' (with a blue checkmark icon).

Assigning Users to a Section

When you first enter the Access Manager, you will see a blue bar. This bar states exactly where you will be giving the user access.

“Full Site Access For:” This title refers to the section that is listed directly after the colon. This means that the user assigned here will have edit access within the entire section listed.

To begin adding users, click the **Add New or Existing User** icon and follow the instructions on Adding Users.

Assigning Users to a Page

- To assigning a user for editing a specific page, expand the **Choose a Page** drop-down menu that is positioned above the orange bar.
- When you expand the drop-down menu, you will see a list of the pages in that section.
- From this list, select the page where you want to assign users. You will notice a new orange bar will appear below.

“Limited Access For:” This preference refers to the specific page that is listed directly after the colon. When you add a user here, they will have access to only the listed page within that section.

To begin adding users, click the **Add New or Existing User** icon and follow the instructions on Adding Users.

Adding Users

Adding Users

- To add a user, click **Add User**.
- In the new window that opens, choose whether you would like to add a new user or assign an existing user to this area.

To add an existing user

- Select the **existing user** option.
- Click **Next**.
- To search for the user you want to add, type either the user's first or last name or the User ID and then click **Search**.
- You will receive a list of users that matches the name you typed. Select the user you want to add.

To add a new user

- Select the **new user** option and enter in the User ID you want to assign to this user in the text box provided. This will also be their Login ID.
- Click **Next**. From the pop-up window, you can fill in all of the user's information including **User Info**, **Access Info**, **Other Info**, **Categories**, **Permissions**, and **Preferences**.
- You can edit this information for users already granted access simply by clicking **Edit Info**.



Figure 6-15
Access Manager

Edit Access

To give a user the ability to edit, click the **Edit Access** icon located to the left of the User ID and then select either **Edit privileges** or **View privileges**. Once you have chosen your selection, click **Done**.

Removing Access

To remove a user's access from a section without deleting them from the section, click the **Edit Access** icon, and then click **Remove Access**.

This will remove the user's editing access to that section or page without deleting him or her entirely from the section or page. You can then assign the user a new area to edit.

Deleting a User

- To delete a user from your website, click the **Edit Info** icon located to the right of the user's name to open the User Editor window.
- Click **Delete** located in the bottom right of the window to remove the user from your website.

User Categories

Groups Manager

Along with pre-set groups such as, Site Admin, Lead Tech, Section Admin, View Only, and Teachers, you can create new groups. Creating groups with edit access to specific pages within your site allows you to have different groups with varying levels of access. This can be helpful in site management, especially for larger districts and schools.

- To create a new group, click **Add New Group**.

Info

- In the pop-up window that opens under the **Info** tab, type the title of your group in the corresponding **Title** text box.
- You can type a note about this group in the **Note** text box.
- Next, assign this group either view or edit access by selecting the corresponding button.
- To assign this group a color, click the color box and choose the color you want to assign this group from the color picker.

Permissions

- Click the **Permissions** tab.
- You can choose to populate the page permissions by choosing an already existing group from the **Populate permissions from existing group** drop-down menu.
- Or, you can select the pages you want this group to access.
- Once you have made your selections, click **Done** to save your changes. The new group you have created will appear in the **Groups Manager** screen.

User Categories

Categories can be used to manage users more effectively. By placing users in multiple categories, you can quickly find the right user. Categorizing teachers, parents, administrator, and students can help in messaging specific groups. For example, in a larger district or school, categorizing grade levels can be helpful. For example, all students in grade 12 can be placed in one category so that graduation announcements can be messaged to them. Once they have graduated, these same students can be then removed.

Different categories can be given different permissions within the site. This is discussed in detail in **Chapter 5 - Site Administration**.

Import Users User Manager Access Manager Groups Manager User Categories			
New Category:		<input type="text"/>	 Add New
 Manage User Categories			
Edit	Delete	Category	Members
 Edit	 Delete	Camel Rock High School	(0)
 Edit	 Delete	Dev School	(0)
 Edit	 Delete	Parents	(0)
 Edit	 Delete	School of Excellence	(16)
 Edit	 Delete	School of Higher Learning	(0)
 Edit	 Delete	Students	(0)
 Edit	 Delete	Teachers	(9)

Figure 6-16
User Categories

- To create a category, type the new category name in the **New Category** field.
- Click **Add New** located to the right of the box. The category name will now appear in the table of categories for the district.



Figure 6-17
Manage Categories

- To add users to this category, you can either upload the user and mark them during upload or click the **Manage User Categories** link and add existing users to categories within this function.

Web Users

The **Web Users** tab allows you to manage the non-SchoolCenter users who visit your site. These users can be required to login to post comments on various pages throughout the site. You can customize the Web Users login message by clicking **Login Page**.

Login Page

- Click **Login Page**.
- In the pop-up window that appears, enter the information you want web users to know prior to logging in. This can be any information you think is necessary, such as instructions on how to log into the site or other notices you want users to read before logging in.
- You can use the Advanced Content Editor for advanced HTML editing.

Register Page

- Click **Register Page**.
- In the pop-up window that appears, you can enter the text you want to appear on the registration page. This can be information pertaining to logging in, logging in instructions, or any other information you deem pertinent.
- You can use the Advanced Content Editor for advanced HTML editing.

Successful Activation Page

- Click **Successful Activation Page**.
- In the pop-up window that appears, you can enter the text you want to appear on the successful activation page. This can be information you deem pertinent to the successful activation page.
- You can use the Advanced Content Editor for advanced HTML editing.

You can also search for web users in this area by entering in their first name, last name, login or email address.

- To edit a web user's information, click the **edit** icon that corresponds to the user's name.
- In the pop-up window that opens, you can choose to enable or disable the web user.
- You can also delete the user by clicking **Delete**.
- To save your changes, click **Done**.

Figure 6-18
Web Users

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Import Users User Manager Access Manager Groups Manager User Categories **Web Users**

Edit Web User Page Messages:

Login Page Register Page Successful Activation Page

First Name
Last Name
Login
Email Address

Search


First Name	Last Name	Login	Email Address	Status	Edit
Jim	Dandy	pretty	smacky200@yahoo.com	Enabled	Edit
Jay	Bull	jaybull	jaybull@gmail.com	Enabled	Edit
Demi	Moore	dmoore	dmoore@hollywood.com	Enabled	Edit

Email Manager

Email Manager

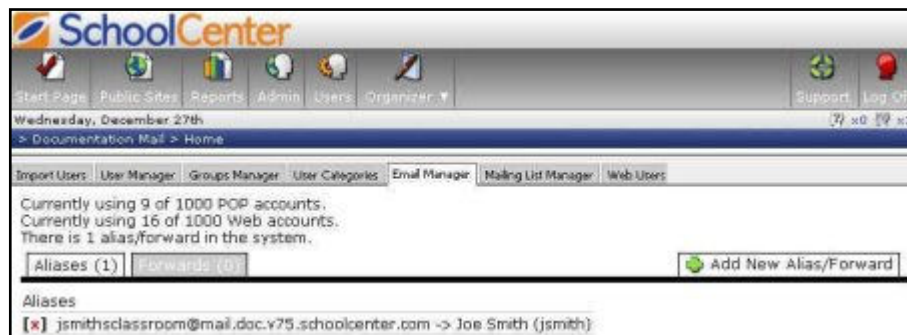
If you have the **SchoolCenter Mail** as part of your school's software, you may also have an **Email Manager** button as one of your options.

The **Email Manager** allows you to redirect emails from one account to another by using email Aliases and Forwards. It will also give you information on the email accounts in the system, including the numbers and types of the accounts.

	<p><i>For more information about using the Email Manager, see the SchoolCenter Mail Manual.</i></p>
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The **Users** category allows you to add, delete, manage, and organize users of your website. To access the User options, click **User**.

Figure 6-19
Access Manager



Chapter 7 - Editing Your Webpage

When you are in Edit mode, you can add or delete pages from your site. To change to Edit mode, click **Edit Page** located at the top of the page.



Figure 7-1
Edit Drop-down Menu

Adding a Page

- To add a page to your site, click the **Add a Page** option in your Edit drop-down menu. A new window will open with a menu of sections or page components you can add to your site.
- Click the page you want to add.
- Once your page is added to the site, the **Page Settings** window will open. Here, you can change your settings or click **Done**. These options vary depending on the type of page component you are adding. You can always change these options later by selecting **Page Settings** from the Edit Drop-down menu.
- Click **Done** to finish adding your page.

There is no limit to the number of pages you can add, and each type of page component can be added multiple times.



For descriptions of the various page components, see the [Page Components](#) section.

Deleting a Page

- To delete a page on your site, click the page link you want to delete.
- When you are on that page, click the **Edit** drop-down menu and select the **Page Settings** option to open the Page Settings window.
- Click **Delete** to remove the page from your site. After the page has been deleted, you will be redirected to the Home page of that section.



*If a page has accidentally been deleted, **SchoolCenter** has the ability to restore that page. However, **SchoolCenter** cannot restore content (text or images) that has been deleted from any page.*

Edit Navigation

Edit Navigation

Within the **Edit Navigation** option, there are three ways of customizing your site's navigation links. You can use Standard Navigation, Image Mapping, or Custom Navigation.

- To access the Edit navigation window, click the **Edit** drop-down menu and select the **Edit Navigation** option.

Standard Navigation

The Edit Navigation feature is a way to customize your navigation links by choosing the order in which the pages are listed.

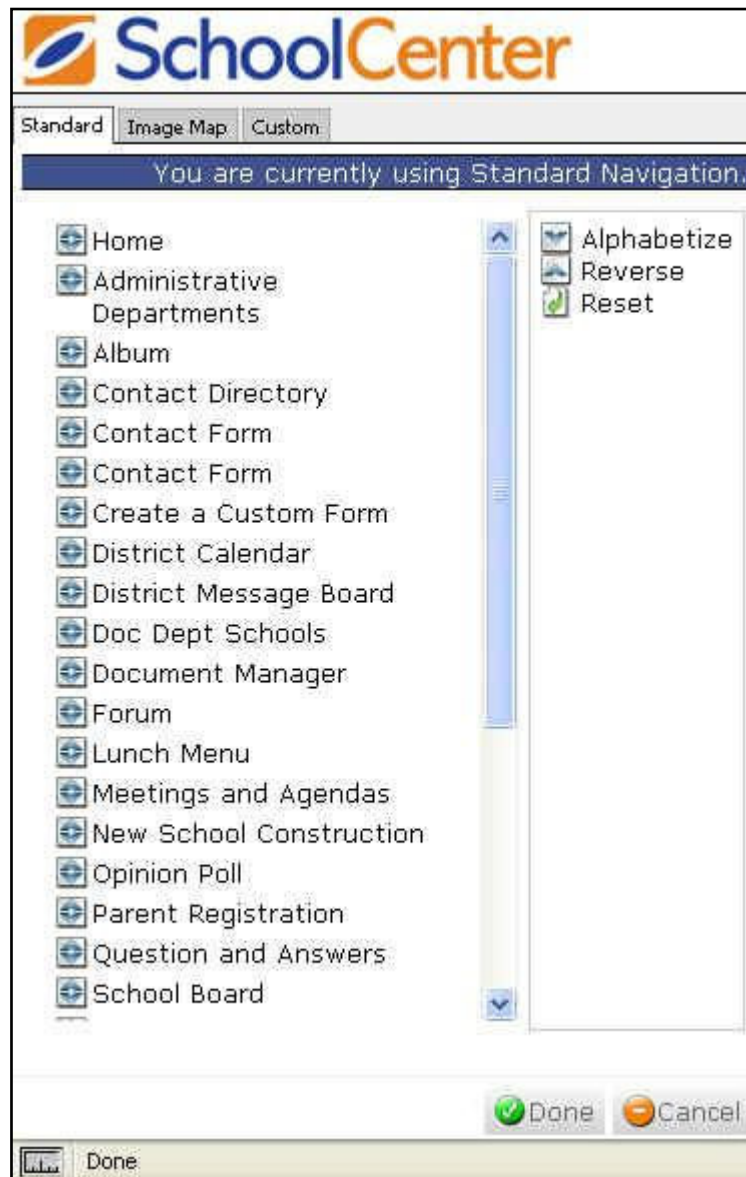


Figure 7-2
Navigation Editor Standard

- To sort the links, make sure you are in Edit Mode by clicking **Edit Page** or choosing **Edit Mode** from the **Edit** drop-down menu.
- Click the **Edit Navigation** option in the **Edit** drop-down menu.

- From the pop-up window, you can sort the links alphabetically by clicking **Alphabetize**. You can reverse the order of links by clicking **Reverse**, or simply drag and drop the pages where you want them.
- After all changes have been made, click **Done** to save the settings and close the window.

Image Map Navigation

Image Map Navigation

With the **Image Map**, you can create a unique navigation using an image. You can use an Image Mapped Navigation by following one of two options:

To Apply Image Map to One Page

- Click the **Edit** drop-down menu and select **Edit Navigation**.
- The Edit Navigation window will open. Click the **Image Map** tab.
- Choose **Select Image Map Navigation** by clicking the corresponding selection box.
- A pop-up window will open asking if you are sure that you want to change your navigation to image map. Click **OK**. The navigation for this page will now be an image map.

Figure 7-3
Image MAP

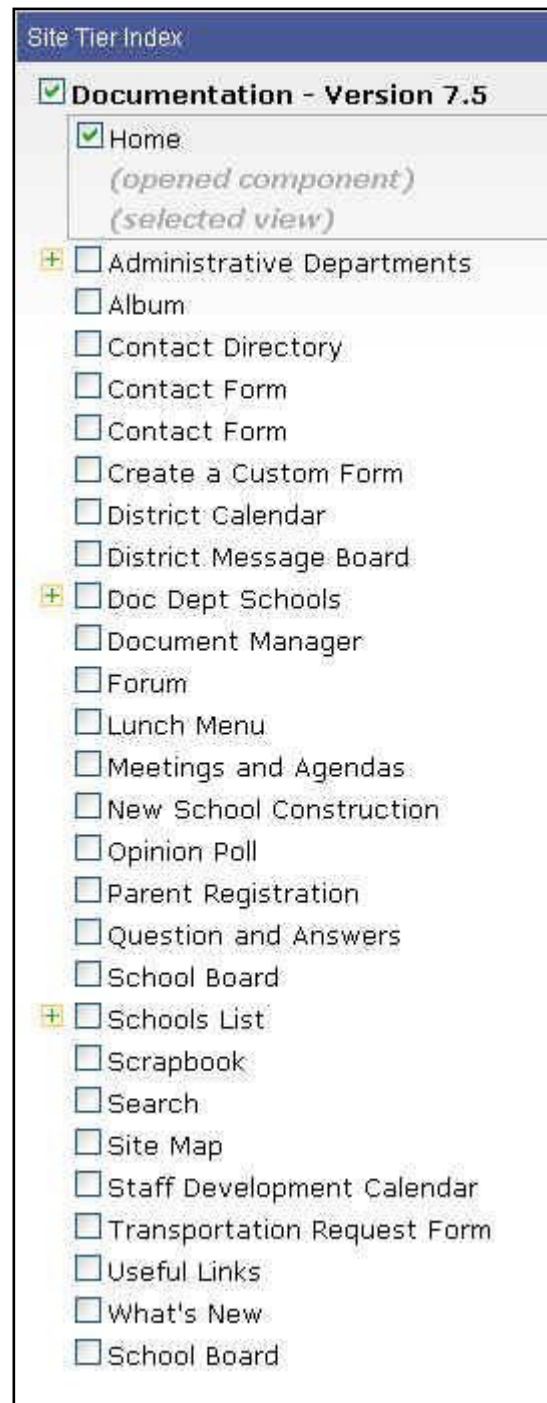


To Apply Image Map to Multiple Pages

- Click the **Page Settings** option in the **Edit Drop-down** menu.
- In the Page Settings window, click **Page Design**.
- In the new window that opens, click the **Advanced** tab.
- Click the **Navigational (Sidebar) Type** link. A pop-up window will open.
- Select the **Image Map** option, and then click **Done**.

This image should be of the site tier index or the design page.

Figure 7-4
Site Tier Index



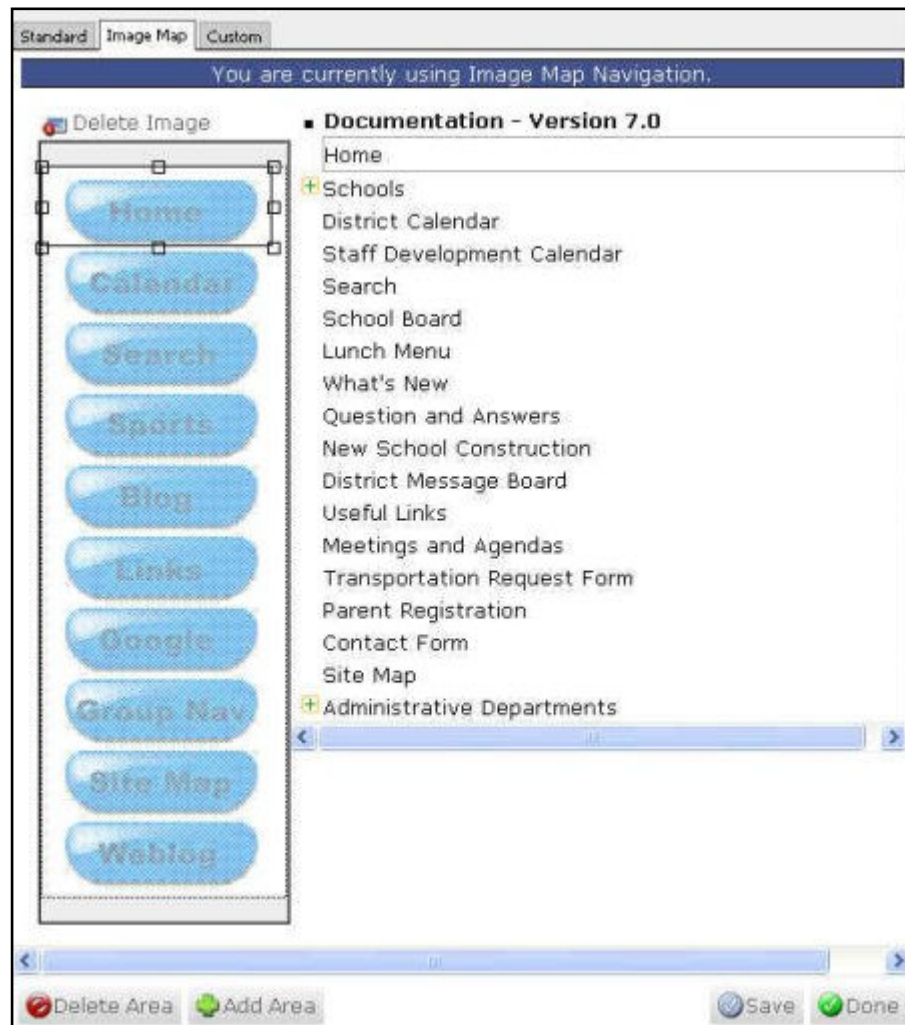
- In the Site Tier Index on the right side of the page, select the pages you want to have this type of navigation.
- Click **Apply** so that your changes will be applied to the pages you have selected.
- Once you are back to your website, click the **Edit Navigation** option in the **Edit** drop-down menu to open the Navigation Editor and map your navigation.



For more on changing the layout in advanced Page Design, see the Advanced Page Design section.

- Upload a picture to use as your navigation by clicking the **Add Media** icon. Continue uploading a picture from the **SchoolCenter Gallery**, **Our Gallery**, or your local computer.

Figure 7-5
Navigation Editor -
Image Map



- Once the image is uploaded click **Add Area**. A mapped box will appear in the upper left corner.
- Click the box, and the Navigation links will appear.
- Select the page you want to map to from the tier index on the right.
- Next, drag and resize the mapped box to the area of the image you want to link.
- Click **Save** and the area will be linked to the page selected.
- To add another area, click **Add Area** again and repeat the processes.
- When all the pages are mapped to an area on the image, click **Done**. Your navigation will now display the Image Map to your pages.

Custom Navigation

Custom Navigation

The **Custom Navigation** allows you to choose multiple navigation for your page. This area also allows Site Administrators to set the navigation for the entire site. Site Administrators have the option to **Enable District Defined Navigation**. If this option is checked by the Site Administrator, then the navigation throughout the site will be set by the Site Administrator and applied to the site.

- Click the **Page Settings** option in the **Edit** drop-down menu.
- In the Page Settings window, click **Page Design**.
- In the new window that opens, click the **Advanced** tab.
- Click the **Navigational (Sidebar) Type** link. A pop-up window will open.
- Select the **Custom Navigation** option, and then click **Done**.
- In the **Site Tier Index** on the right side of the page, select the pages you want to have this type of navigation.
- Next, click **Apply** so your changes will be applied to the pages you have selected.
- Once you are back to your website, click the **Edit Navigation** option in the **Edit** drop-down menu to open the Navigation Editor and group your navigation.



For more on changing the layout in advanced Page Design, see the Advanced Page Design section.

Group Navigation

Group Navigation

- To group your navigation, you will need to create parent links. Click **Add Parent** and type the title of the parent link in the text box.
- Choose from the drop-down menu whether you want floating or expanding groups. Selecting the **Floating** option will have your links floating off to the side when the cursor is hovered over the parent link. Selecting the **Expanding** option will make the links appear underneath the parent link when the cursor is hovered over the parent link.

Figure 7-6
Parent Link

The image shows a dialog box titled "SchoolCenter" with a logo. Inside the dialog, there is a text input field labeled "Title:" containing the word "Schools". Below the text field is a button labeled "Add Image" with a small icon. At the bottom of the dialog, there are three buttons: "New" with a green plus icon, "Done" with a blue checkmark icon, and "Cancel" with an orange minus icon.

- Click **New** to save the current parent link and add another parent.
- Click **Done** to save the current parent link and return to the Custom Navigation window.
- To group a page under a parent link, select the box next to the page title you want to place under the parent link and then click the black arrow to add it. Once you place a page under a parent, that page will be italicized and gray.
- To sort the order of the parent links, click **Sort Nav** while in the Navigation Editor.
- You have the options to sort by clicking and dragging; to sort alphabetically; to sort in reverse alphabetical direction; or to revert to your original sort by resetting.

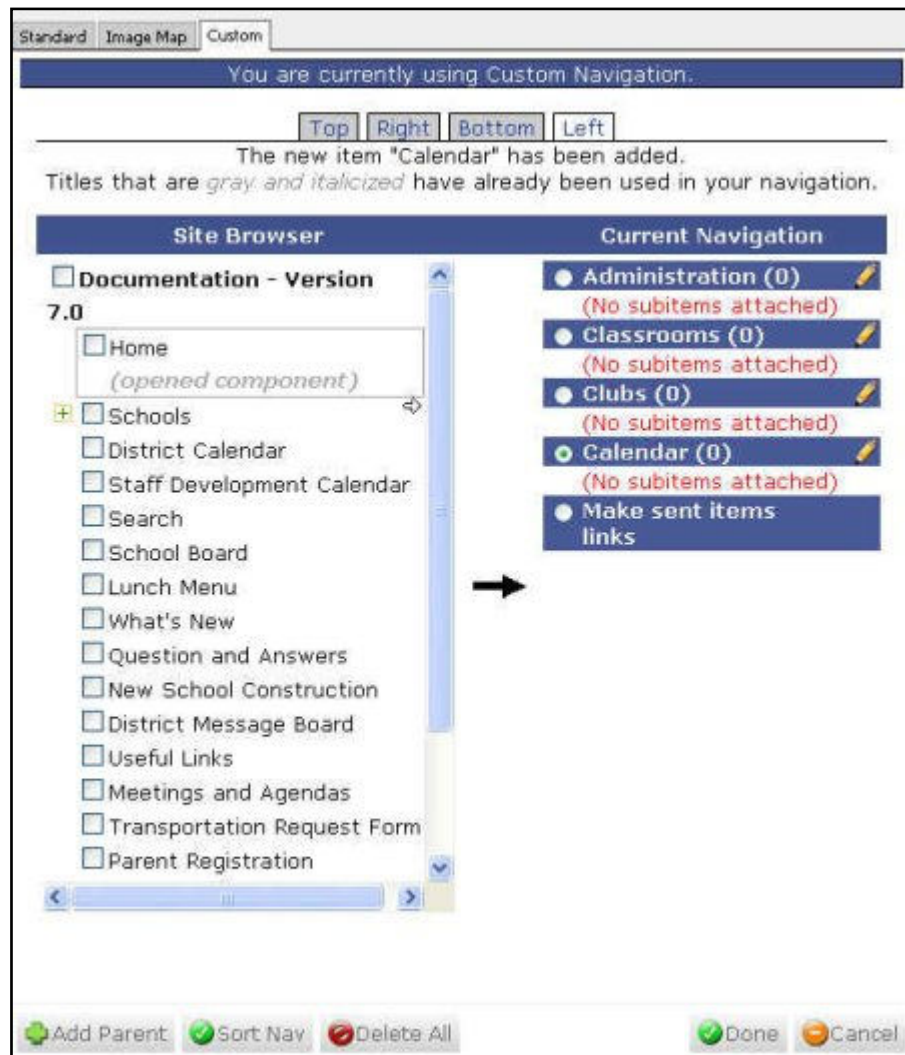


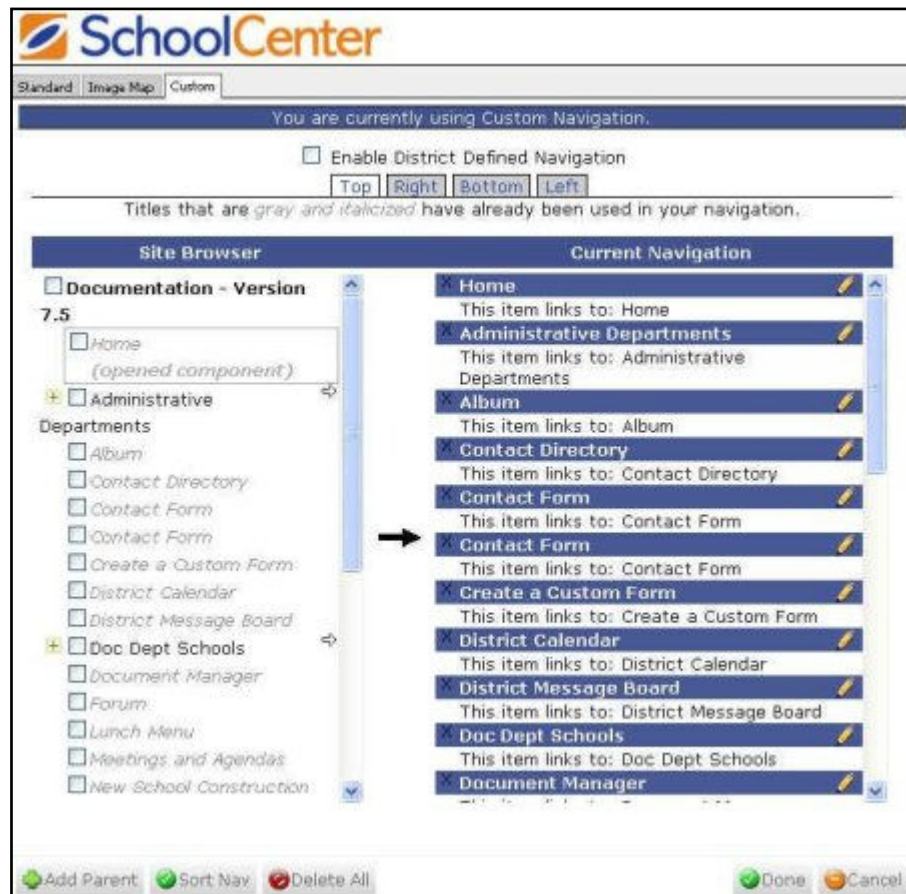
Figure 7-7
Custom Navigation

Standard Navigation

If you want standard navigation in multiple locations, you can customize where you want the navigation to appear by clicking the following tabs: **Top**, **Right**, **Bottom**, and **Left**.

- When you click the tab, you can add pages by clicking the box next to the page on the left and then clicking the black arrow.
- This will add the pages to the navigation location of your choice.

Figure 7-8
Group Navigation



For grouped navigation on the top or bottom side of the page, follow the procedures for grouped navigation by clicking **Add Parent**.

- For grouped navigation on the right or left side of a page, click **Add Parent**. This will open a new window asking for a Parent name. This is the same procedure for grouped navigation.
- Select the **Nav type** drop-down menu button and choose either **Floating** or **Expanding**. Floating navigation has the various pages listed to the side of the parent when the cursor is hovered over the parent link. Expanding navigation expands downward in a list when the cursor is hovered over the parent link.
- Choose the type you prefer. This choice will affect both the left and the right side of the page.
- Select the **Offset** drop-down menu button and choose the amount of indentation you want for the grouped navigation menu.
- Click **Save** and this will take you back to the Edit Nav window. The different web pages will be listed on the left and the parents will be listed on the right.
- Just as in grouped navigation, click the boxes of the pages you want for a specific parent.
- Click the button next to the parent.
- Click the arrow to add the pages to the parent.

To edit your floating or expanding option, change the parent name, or delete the parent, you can click the pencil icon located next to the parent name. If you want to delete all of the parents, click **Delete all** located on the bottom of the page. This will delete all of the parents and allow you to start over.

- Once you have finished selecting different options in Multiple Navigation, click **Save** to get back to your page.
- To see the changes, click **View Page** located at the top of the screen.



It is necessary to take into account the page width if choosing to have both left and right navigation. The page width may need to be smaller to accommodate multi-navigation on both sides.

Edit Mode/View Mode

Edit Mode/View Mode

SchoolCenter has two modes to view your pages: **Edit** mode and **View** mode.

View mode allows you to see what your page looks like publicly. In this mode, your site will display as it would to those not logged into the site. To see View mode, click **View Mode** or choose **Switch to View Mode** from the **Edit** drop-down menu.

When you first log into your site, you will be in View mode.

To begin editing your site, you will need to be in Edit mode. To get into Edit mode, click **Edit Mode** or choose **Switch to Edit** mode from the Edit drop-down menu. In **Chapter 5 - Site Administration**, you are given the option of choosing the type of Edit Mode for your pages: **Legacy**, **User Selectable**, or **New**.

If you chose **Legacy Edit Mode** in Site Preferences, edit buttons will also appear on your pages.

If you chose **New Edit Mode**, the buttons will not appear on your pages automatically. The **Edit** icon will appear when you hover the cursor over the edit field. If you click the **Edit** icon while you are hovering the cursor over it, you will be given a drop-down menu with editing options. To edit the field, simply choose from the drop-down menu.

- To add text to your site, click the **Edit** icon if in **Legacy Mode**. If you are in **New Mode**, click the **Edit** icon and select **Edit Content Box** from the drop-down menu. Your edit page text window will open.

Figure 7-9
Text Window

- Type or cut-and-paste your text into the large text box.
- To create a link or an email link in your text, you can type the Internet address or email address (schoolcenter.com), and your text will automatically turn into a link.

Styles

- Click the **Styles** tab to choose the alignment, font size, and font color.
- Click **Done** when you are finished.

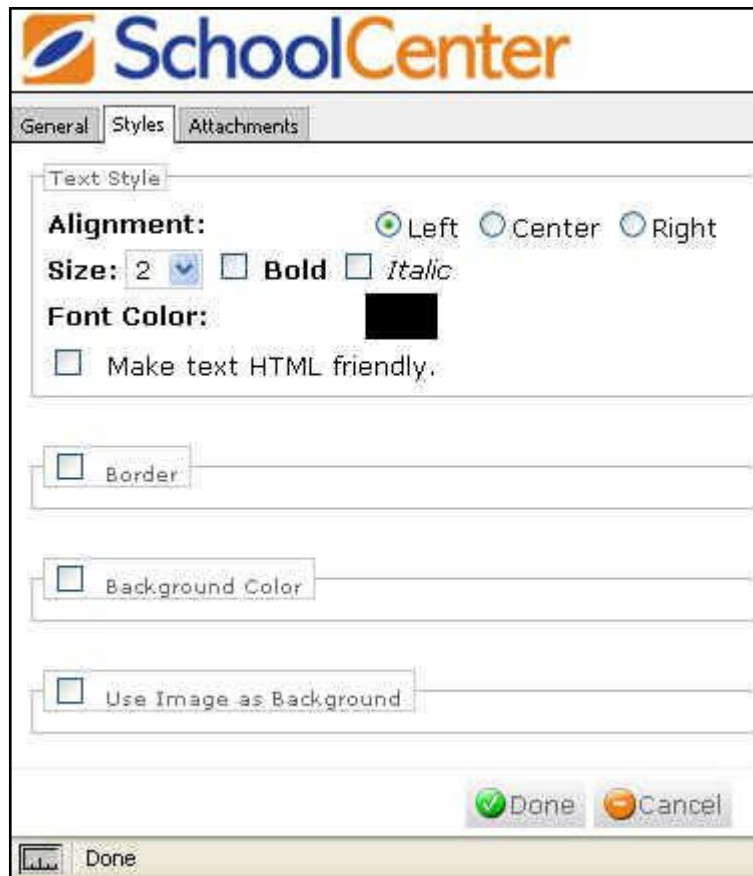


Figure 7-10
Styles Tab


Under the **Styles** tab, you can choose box options such as borders and background colors to give your page and text boxes a distinctive look. Changing box options can be accomplished by clicking the **Edit** icon when you are in edit mode.

Box Options

- To add a border or background color to your text field, click the pencil edit icon to open the **Edit Page** text window if in **Legacy Mode**. If you are in **New Mode**, click the edit icon and choose **Edit Box Content**.
- From the pop-up window, choose the **Styles** tab.
- To choose the color for your border or background, click the empty **Color** square to open the Color Picker.
- Move the cursor over the Color Picker and select the color by clicking in the desired color's circle. You will see your choice show up in the Color box.
- Select the **Border** box to open the border options and choose the desired border color from the **Color Picker** and border size from the **Size** drop-down menu.
- Select the **Background Color** box to open the color options and choose the desired background color for this text field from the drop-down menu.

In the Newsletter component, you can also choose to **Use Image as Background**. This option allows you to have the image you have chosen used as a background image. By clicking the box next to the Tile Background, the image will be replicated as tile. The tiled background will be visible once you click the view page options, but not while in Edit Page mode.



The  option is designated transparent or No Color.
The Border and Background colors are only available in the Advanced Mode.

Attach Items

To attach a link or file to your text field, click the **Attachments** tab. You have two methods to add attachments to your page. Enhanced Mode will let you select multiple files to upload to the image gallery by simply dragging and dropping the files you need from your file browser. Enhanced mode uses Java™, so if you do not have the Java™ feature enabled, you cannot use the drag and drop feature.

- Choose between the **Enhanced** and **Standard** mode and then click **Select Upload Method**.



Figure 7-11
Add Image &
Attachments

Adding Attachments

- Upload the file by clicking **Browse** and locating the file on your hard drive.
- Once you locate the file, double-click the file and it will be uploaded into your page.
- A new window will open allowing you to accept the file you have uploaded by clicking **Done**, or letting you delete the file if you no longer want it uploaded to your page.



There is a file size limitation of 10mb.

Adding Links

- Click the **add a link** button.
- From the drop-down menu, choose the correct prefix for your link (Http, https, ftp, mailto, etc).

- Type the address you want to link to in the **Link** box.
- Select **Open in a new Window** if you want your link to open in a different window.
- When you have finished, click **Done** to save your settings and return to your site.

Advanced Content Editor

Advanced Content Editor

When adding text, you have the option of formatting with the Advanced Content Editor (ACE). ACE is an HTML editor that enables you to format your text. ACE allows users who are unfamiliar with HTML to create a dynamic website with customized text, links, images, and other options. The ACE window is known as a “What You See Is What You Get” or a **WYSIWYG** window. The changes you make to your content will appear in the **WYSIWYG** window.

- To open this option, click the **Advanced Content Editor** button in the **Edit Text** window.

With the ACE, you can customize your text without the knowledge of HTML. You can also source images and text that appear on other Internet websites by copying and pasting them into the ACE.

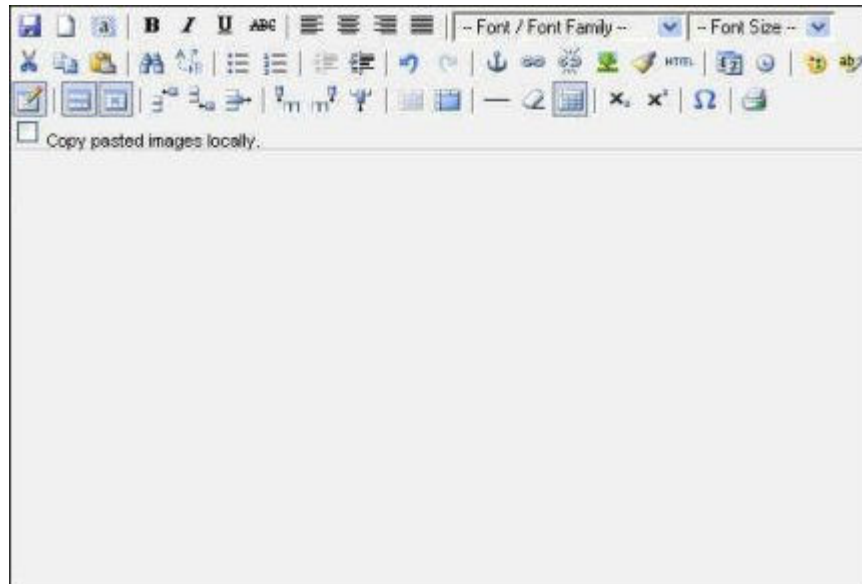


Figure 7-12
Advanced Content Editor



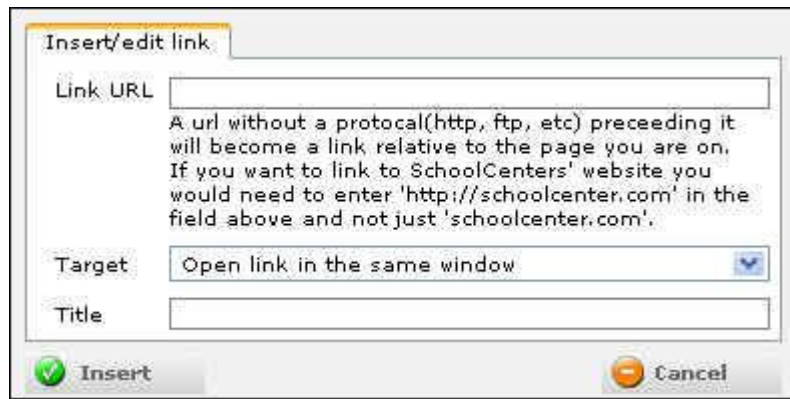
To learn what each button will do, hover your cursor over the button and a description will appear below the toolbar.

Most of the options in ACE are straightforward options, such as Bold, Italics, Underline, Spacing, Right Justification, Font Options, Subscript and Superscript. However, there are a few options that might not be familiar to you.

Insert/Edit Link

- To insert a link, highlight the word or phrase you want to make a link.
- Click **Link**. A pop-up window appears where you can type the web page address. You can name this link whatever you like or leave that option blank.

Figure 7-13
Insert Link



- You are then given several options on how the link will open. Select the button next to the option you want.
- When you are finished, click **Insert** to have the link inserted.

Insert/Edit Anchor

Anchors are used to help navigate a web page. You can set up anchors to link to any point on the page. Many use this feature to link to the top and the bottom of the page.

- To set up an anchor, first highlight the word you want to be the link to the anchor.
- When the dialogue box asks for the web address, type the # symbol followed by the anchor name you have chosen and then click **Insert**.

Figure 7-14
Insert Anchor



- Next, go to where you want the anchor, highlight the text, and click the anchor icon.
- When the dialogue box opens, type the anchor name. The anchor name will be the same word used in creating the link.
- Click **Save**.
- Click **Done** to save your changes.

Additional Inserts

Inserting the date and time is easy in ACE and can be accomplished by clicking the date or the time icons. Sometimes it is necessary to use symbol rather than a letter or a number, as in cases of copyright and trademark symbols, or other frequently used symbols.

If a specific symbol needs to be added, this symbol can be chosen by clicking the symbol button. A window with many symbols will open and the symbol you need can be chosen by clicking it once.

Figure 7-15
Insert Symbols

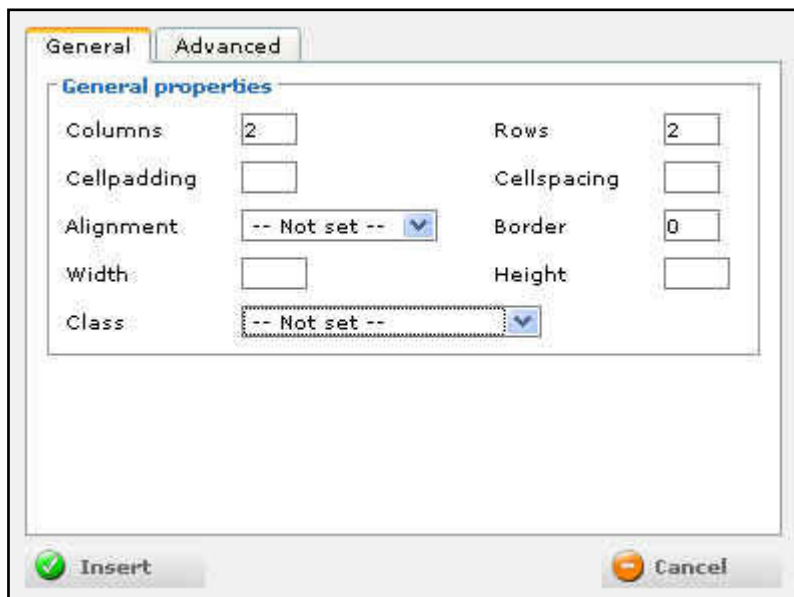


Inserting a Table

You need to have a specific idea of what type of table you want prior to creating it.

- To Insert a Table, click **Insert a New Table**.
- Enter how many rows and columns you want for the table.
- When you are finished entering in your table properties, click **Insert**.
- When you select your table, you will have other editing options. You can enter in text as well as insert a picture into the table.

Figure 7-16
Insert Table



Once you have created your table, you have many different options for managing it. You can add rows and columns or delete them. You can choose to merge cells or split them. If you want to see the outline of your table, click the **Toggle Guidelines/Invisible Elements**. This will show you the formatting outline for your content and not just for your table.

Insert an Image

- To insert an image, click **Insert/Edit Image**. The Insert/Edit Image window will open.
- You can click the **+add** button to add an image or list the URL of the image.
- If you click the **+add** new image icon, the **Upload New Media** window will open. Add an image from one of the galleries or from your hard drive by choosing the appropriate option.

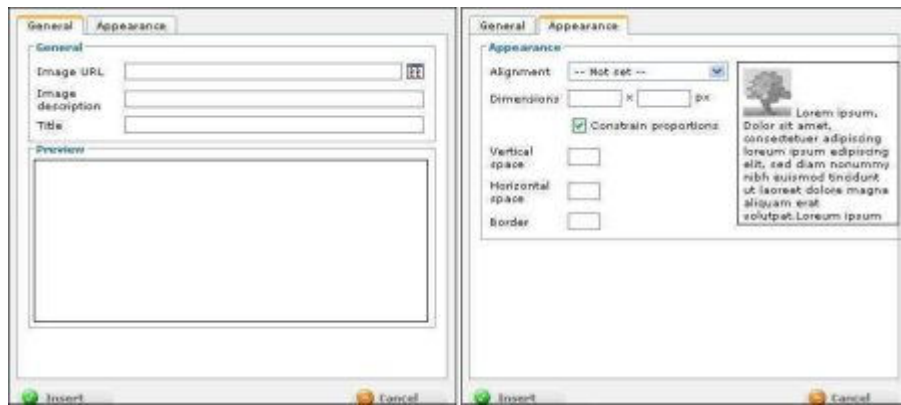


Figure 7-17
Insert Image

- You have the options of adding a description and title to the image as well as changing the dimensions and border size of the image.
- Select an alignment for the image from the drop-down menu that will work best for your content. You also have the option to change the vertical and horizontal space for the image.
- When you have finished setting your preferences for the image, click **Insert**.

Find/Replace

The **Find/Replace** option will let you find words and replace them with other words.

- Click **Find/Replace** and in the new window that opens, type the word you want to find next to **Find what**. Type the word you want to replace it with next to **Replace With**.
- You can then go through your content and choose which instances you want to replace a word.



Figure 7-18
Find and Replace

Edit HTML Source

Clicking the **Edit Html** button allows those users familiar with HTML to see the coding for their content. They can then edit the code in the edit HTML window.

Clean-Up Messy Code

Sometimes it is more expedient for users to copy content from a website or from a word processing program and then paste it into ACE. Occasionally, when this occurs, the formatting is either in a different language than HTML or certain formatting options were chosen that are not necessary or applicable in the SchoolCenter software. When this occurs, you can simply highlight the text that has been pasted and then click the **Clean Up Messy Code** option. This will change the formatting to HTML so that when you save it, your content looks the way you want.

Remove Formatting

If you want to change the look of your content without losing the information, highlight the portion you want to change and then click **Remove Formatting**. This will remove any formatting for the font and the background. Links and anchors will remain and so will images.

New Document

You have the option to erase your text at any time by clicking **New Document**. The **New Document** feature deletes the current content, but lets you know beforehand so you do not accidentally erase content. If this is done in error, you can fix it by clicking **Undo**.

Print

You also have the option to print out the text by clicking **Print**.

Save

When you have finished customizing your text, click **Save**. Your text will be translated into HTML and placed into the Edit Page text box. The option, **Make Text HTML Friendly** will be automatically checked.



The Advanced Content Editor is not compatible with all browsers. Please contact SchoolCenter Support for more information.

Images

Images

There are multiple ways to find an image in the **SchoolCenter** software. You can upload an image from your computer's hard drive, from **Our Gallery**, from the **SchoolCenter Image Gallery** or from your **Personal Gallery**.

- To add an image to your site, click the **Add Image** icon if in Legacy Mode. You can also click the edit icon and choose **Add Image** from the drop-down menu. A new window will open, allowing you to upload your image.




Figure 7-19
Upload Media

Local Machine

- You can browse for the image you want to upload from your computer's hard drive by clicking **Browse**. You will be directed to the hard drive on your computer where you can search for the image file.
- Select the file you want to upload and click **Open**.

- Click **Upload File**.

	<p><i>We recommend transferring files on a floppy disk to the hard drive before uploading.</i></p>
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SchoolCenter, Local Gallery or Your Personal Gallery

The **SchoolCenter Gallery** contains images provided by SchoolCenter. The **Local Gallery** is designed to store images that will be available to people within your district or school. The **Personal Gallery** is designed to hold images that will only be usable to the individual users when they are signed in to their accounts

- To use the **SchoolCenter Image Gallery**, **Our Gallery** or **Your Personal Gallery** to add an image to your site, click the **Add Media** icon. A new window will open allowing you to upload your image.
- To add an image from the **SchoolCenter Image Gallery**, **Our Gallery** or **Your Personal Gallery**, click the appropriate button to open the gallery.

Figure 7-20
Image Gallery



SchoolCenter Image Gallery

- You have the option to search for an image alphabetically. A list of all the images for the letter you selected will be displayed. School Center images are contained within Tags.
- You will see the name of each Tag and the number of images within the Tag.
- You also have the option to Search the SchoolCenter Gallery for **All items**, **Items with no Tags**, and **Tags with no items**.
- To view images, click a Tag.
- Images within the tag you selected will appear.
- The buttons at the top of the screen allow you to cycle through the images.
- You also have the option to select a thumbnail size for the images.
- Select a category to view from the drop-down menu, and then click the image you would like to load onto your page. The image will load in a new window.
- Click **Add to Site**.

Local Gallery and Your Personal Gallery

The **Local Gallery** and **Your Personal Gallery** operate exactly the same with the only difference being that the **Local Gallery** is for a school or a district and the **Personal Gallery** is for an individual user.

Adding Images to the Local Gallery and Your Personal Gallery

- To add an image, click the tab for either the **Local** or **Personal** Gallery.
- Click **Add**.

Figure 7-21
Upload Methods



Standard Mode

- To use **Standard Mode**, click the button next to **Standard Mode** and then click **Select Upload Method**.
- To add a file from your computer, click **Browse**.
- Select the image file you want to add by double-clicking it.
- Click **Upload File**.
- After your file uploads, you can browse for another file or click **Done**.
- You can change your file name in the text box provided.
- Choose the category you want to place the file by selecting the correct category from the drop-down menu.
- If you no longer want this image uploaded, you can select the **Delete** option.
- You can name your image by filling out the **Title** field.
- To add tags or comments to your image click **Add Tags/Comments**. Tags act as categories for your images. If you want the images to belong to multiple categories, enter multiple tags into the field.
- This list of tags needs to be coma-separated. In the new window that opens, enter in the tags for your image in the first text box and comments in the second text box.
- If you no longer want this image uploaded, you can select the **Delete** option.
- Click **Done** to save your changes.

Enhanced Mode

- To add files using **Enhanced Mode**, you will need to have Java™.
- Click the button next to the **Enhanced Mode** option and then click **Select Upload Method**.
- To add files, you can click **Add** in the new window to open a file browser to select individual or multiple files. After you have selected your files from the browser, click **Open**. Alternatively, you can open a file browser. Once you have opened the browser and navigated to the files you want to add, simply drag and drop them into the **SchoolCenter** window.
- Once you have dragged and dropped the files you are adding to your page, click **Done**.
- In the new window, you can change your file name in the text box provided.
- To add tags or comments to your image click **Add Tags/Comments**. Tags act as categories for your images. If you want the images to belong to multiple categories, enter multiple tags into the field.
- This list of tags needs to be coma-separated. In the new window that opens, enter in the tags for your image in the first text box and comments in the second text box.
- If you no longer want this image uploaded, you can select the **Delete** option.
- Click **Done** to save your changes.

Adding Image to Site

- The image you selected will appear in the sidebar.
- You have the option to change the title and description of the image. You also have the option to add additional tags to the image.

- When you are finished making changes to the image, click **Apply**.
- To delete the image, click **Delete**.
- You can add the image to your site by clicking **Add To Site**.
- The **Edit Image** window will open. You can edit your image by resizing the image, adding effects to the image, and by cropping your image.
- Click **Done**.
- The image will now appear on your site.

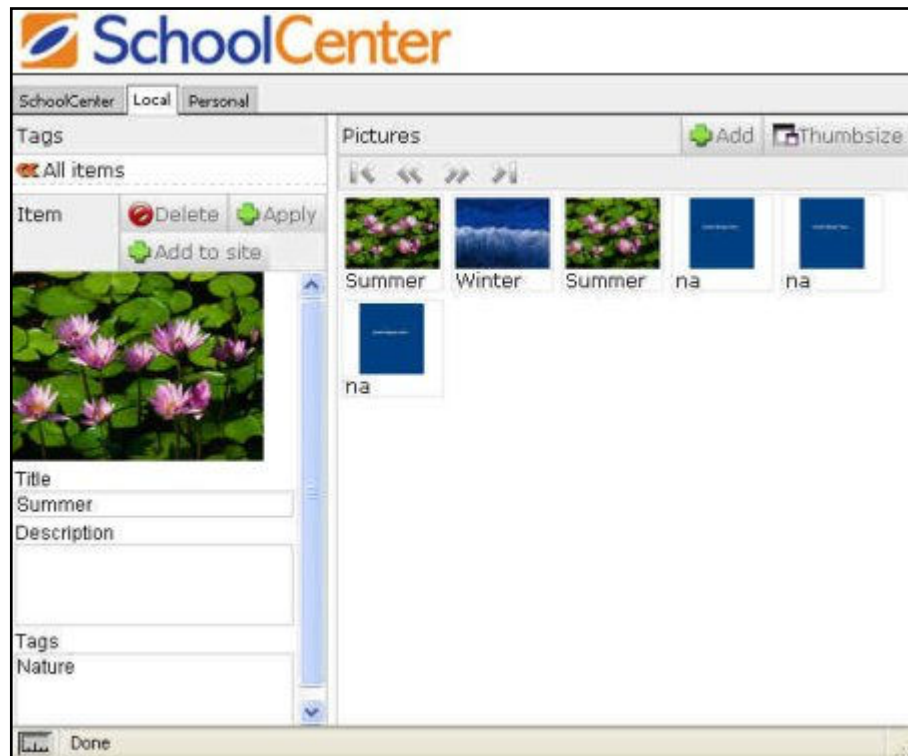


Figure 7-22
Local Tab

Adding Images from the Local Gallery and Your Personal Gallery

The Local Image Gallery and Your Personal Gallery may already contain images. Adding images from these galleries is simple. You have different ways you may search for the exact image you want.

- If in Legacy Mode, click the **Add Image** icon. If in New Mode, click the edit icon and choose the **Add Image** option.
- In the new window, choose whether you want to add an image from the Local Gallery or from Your Personal Image Gallery by clicking the gallery's button.
- A new window will open. If you do not find the image you are looking for in the gallery you selected, you can switch from the **SchoolCenter** gallery, the **Local Gallery** and **Your Personal Gallery** simply by clicking one of those tabs.

Tags

- To search for an image by its tag, click the tag button.
- A list of your tags will appear in the left hand column. You have the option to click one of the tags listed, or you can search by clicking **All items**, **Items with no tags**, or **Tags with no items**.
- After you select where you want to search, thumbnails of the images will appear.
- To select an image, click its thumbnail.
- The image will appear in the left pane. You can add a title, description and tags to the selected image. Click **Apply** to save your changes.
- You can also delete the image by clicking **Delete**.

- To add the image to your site, click **Add to Site**.



Figure 7-23
Local Tab

Browse

- Another way to search for images is to click **Browse**.
- You have the option to click one of the tags listed, or you can search by clicking **All items**, **Items with no tags**, or **Tags with no items**.
- After you select where you want to search, thumbnails of the images will appear.
- To select an image, click its thumbnail.
- The image will appear in the left pane. You can add a title, description and tags to the selected image. Click **Apply** to save your changes.
- You can also delete the image by clicking **Delete**.
- To add the image to your site, click **Add to Site**.

Figure 7-24
Resizing Image



Manage

- With the **Manage** option, you can add tags and delete tags from the Gallery.
- To add a tag, enter a name for the tag in the **Name** text box.
- Click **Add**. The tag you created will appear.
- You have the option to search for tags alphabetically by clicking a letter of the alphabet.
- To delete a tag, select the tag or tags you want to delete.
- Click **Delete**. The tag will be removed from the Gallery.

Once you have chosen either a gallery image or a local image, it will open in the Edit Image window, where you can change the image options by resizing, applying effects, or cropping the image.

Resizing

The **Resizing** option allows you to alter the image's size.

- To make the image smaller, click different points on the scale in the **Resizing Options** box. The **Image Information** box will give the size information for both the original and the altered image.

Figure 7-25
Image Effects



The scale is not a sliding scale. Click the percentage number you want to resize the image to.

You can enhance your image using the **Effects** tab.

- Click the **Effects** tab. Within the **Effects Options** box are several icons, including **Blur**, **Charcoal**, **Emboss**, **Negative Image**, **Flip Vertical** and **Flip Horizontal**.
- Hover the cursor over each icon to see a description of what effect it will produce. The **Effects Options** box also offers a **Rotate Right** and **Left** icon.

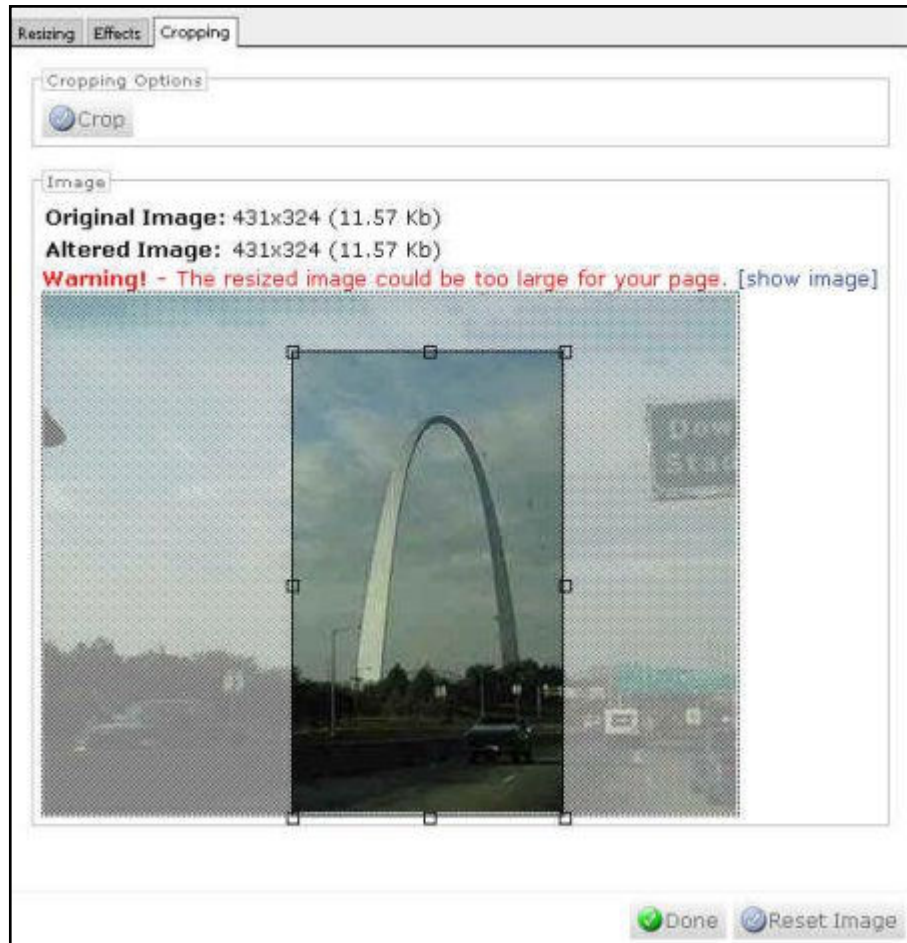



Figure 7-26
Image Cropping

- Once you have chosen the effect that you would like to use, click the icon and then click **Apply**. You can see the result on the image below in the **Image Information** box.

	<p><i>If you are unsatisfied with the effect, simply choose another effect or re-click same icon to remove the effect.</i></p>
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You can cut down the image by using the **Cropping** tab.

- To crop your image, place the cropping box over the area of the image you want to keep. The box size can be adjusted vertically, horizontally and diagonally by clicking the side or corner you want to move.
- Once you have the box covering the area you want to keep, click the **Crop** button.
- You can reset the image by clicking **Reset**.
- Once you are finished with your Edit Image options, click **Done** to save those settings. Next, upload the image and then close the window.

- You can adjust the alignment of the media you have added by clicking the **Alignment** icon.
- You may also replace the image by clicking the **Replace** icon or delete the image by clicking the **Delete** icon.
- To return to the **Edit Image** window, click the **Edit** icon if in Legacy Mode. If you are in New Mode, choose the **Edit Image** option from the drop-down menu.
- Once you have added an image or media to your site, you also have the option of adding alt tags or links to the image.



*For information on adding image to the galleries, see the **Add Images to Gallery** section.*

Upload Media

In **SchoolCenter**, you can upload media files onto your page. The three mediums you can add are **Images**, **Music**, and **Movies**.

- To add a media file to your site, click the **Add Image** icon. While the icon says **Add Image**, you can add media files to your site as well.
- Click **Browse** to select the media file you want to upload to your site.
- Click **Upload File**.



You can not upload flash or music files to/from Our Gallery.

The types of **media** you can upload are:

Image Files

.jpg .gif
.bmp .png
.tif

Movie Files

.mov .swf
.mpg

Music Files

.mp3 .mid
.wav .ac3

- You can browse for media from your computer's hard drive by clicking **Browse**. You will be then be directed to the hard drive on your computer where you can locate whatever media files you want to attach.



It is recommended that you transfer files on a floppy disk to the hard-drive before uploading.

- Select the file you want to upload and click **Open**. The path and filename will appear in the text box located to the left of **Browse**.
- Once you have selected the file you want to upload, click **Upload Media File**. The file will be uploaded and placed in the edit field.
- Alternatively, you can search for media in **Enhanced mode** and simply drag and drop the media files from your computer's file browser into the **SchoolCenter** media window.
- You can adjust the alignment of the media by clicking the **Alignment** icon. You can also replace the media file by clicking the **Replace** icon or delete the file by clicking the **Delete** icon.



Media added will not play while you are in Edit mode.

Chapter 8 - Website Design

One of the most important elements of an effective website is a unique and dynamic design. To help you create a website with a great design, **SchoolCenter** has equipped its software with components that make your creation process as simple and stress-free as possible while allowing for ease of navigation.

Using the **Page Design** options will allow you to make design changes to your website. There are a few different ways to access the Page Design area.

Basic Page Design

Using the **Page Design** options will allow you to make design changes to your website. There are a few different ways to access the Page Design area:

- When you are on the Start Page, you can click **Design**.
- From any page on your site that you have edit access, you can click **Design**.
- From any page on your site, you can click the **Page Settings** option in the Edit drop-down menu, and then click the **Page Design** option.

Once you have opened **Page Design**, click the names of any of the features listed on the page to make changes to your layout or current settings.



Figure 8-1
Basic Page Design

Changes made while in Basic mode are automatic and will affect not only the page you are working on, but also every page within the current level (district, school, classroom, etc.). However, it will not affect other sections in other levels. For example, if you changed the design at the school level, it will not affect the designs of classroom-level pages.

Page Location

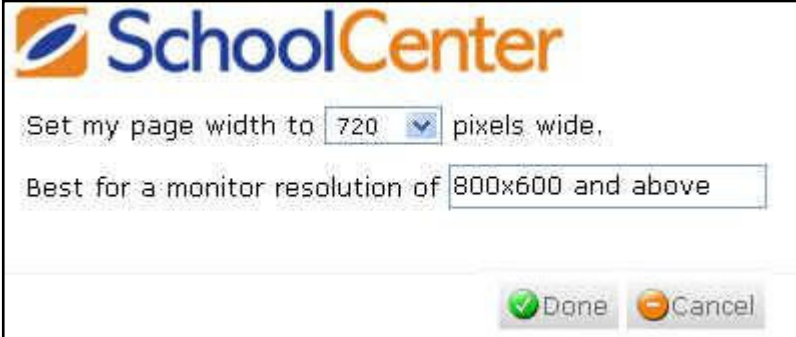
The **Page Location** option can be used to change the alignment of your pages within the browser window.

- When you click the **Page Location** link, a new window will open, allowing you to choose left or center alignment for your site.
- Once you have selected the alignment option for your page, click **Done** to save your settings and close the window.


Page Width

The **Page Width** option can be used to set the width of your website's pages. All site pages are initially set at 720 pixels. This width is the recommended width for pages viewed on 15-inch monitors.

Figure 8-2
Page Width



- When you click the **Page Width** link, a new window will open, allowing you to select the page width setting.
- Once you have selected the width for your page, click **Done** to save your settings and close the window.

	<p><i>We recommend that you keep your page width set at 720.</i></p>
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Font Type


The **Font Type** option can be used to change your website's page fonts. Changing the font type here will change not only the fonts of the main content on your page, but also the navigation font.

- When you click the **Font Type** link, a new window will open allowing you to select the font type for your site from the drop-down menu.

The fonts you can choose from are:

Arial	Georgia
Century Gothic	Helvetica
Charcoal	MS Sans Serif
Chicago	Tahoma
Comic Sans	MS Techno
Cooperplate Gothic Bold	Cooperplate Gothic Italic
Times New Roman	Trebuchet MS
Courier New	Verdana
Garamond	


- Once you have selected the font type for your site, click **Done** to save your settings and close the window.

 NOTES	<i>Fonts for the main content of the pages can also be changed in the Advanced Content Editor. For more information on the Advanced Content Editor, see the Advanced Content Editor section of this manual.</i>
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Title bar Visibility

The **Title bar Visibility** option can be used to hide or display the title bar at the top of each page of the site. When the Title bar is shown, a band of color will appear at the top of your page containing the title/name of the page.

- When you click the **Title bar Visibility** link, a new window will open, giving you the options to **Show** or to **Hide** your title bar.
- Once you have selected the title bar visibility for your page, click the **Done** button to save your settings and close the window.

 TIPS	<i>It is recommended that you hide your title bar if you choose to display a banner/header image.</i>
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Title Location

If you choose the **Show** option within Title bar Visibility, use the **Title Location** option to determine where you want the title bar title to appear at the top of each page of the site.

- When you click the **Title Location** link, a new window will open allowing you to set your title text to align to the left, center or right of the title bar.
- Once you have selected the title location for your page, click **Done** to save your settings and close the window.

Title Font Size

If you choose the **Show** option within Title bar Visibility, use the **Title Font Size** option to set the size of the title bar text that appears at top of each page of the site,.

- When you click the **Title Font Size** link, a new window will open allowing you to choose the size of the title font within a drop-down menu that contains a range of font sizes

from 5- to 35-point.

- Once you have selected the title font size for your page, click **Done** to save your settings and close the window.

Header Image

The **Header Image** option allows you to place an image on the top of your site in the form of either an image or a banner. If you choose to use a banner, you may use the **Banner Image Creator** to design your own banner or, alternatively, you may use any third-party software.

- When you click the **Header Image** link, a new window will open allowing you to add an image by clicking the **Add Media** icon and uploading your image.
- Once you are finished adding your image, click **Done** to save your settings and close the window.

For more on how to add images, see the [Adding Pictures](#) section of this manual.

Date/Location Bar

The **Date/Location Bar** option allows you the option of turning on or turning off the Drill-Down Navigation and the Date Bar. This option also allows you to change the date format display. This is the navigation and date that appears between the Title bar or Header Image and the content of your site.

Figure 8-3
Drill Down Navigation

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Drill-Down Navigation : On ▼
(This is the navigation that appears just below the title and above the content of your page.)

Date : On ▼
(This is the date that appears in the same bar.)

Date Format : 08.01.06 - [MM.DD.YY] ▼
(This will only change the date formatting for the date in the infobar.)

Done Cancel

- When you click the **Date/Location Bar** link, a new window will open, allowing you to select your options.
- From the drop-down menus, select **On** or **Off** for the Drill-Down Navigation and the Date and select the Date Format.
- Once you have selected the options for your site, click **Done** to save your settings and close the window.

Navigation Location

The **Navigation Location** option allows you to choose the placement of the navigation links on your website.

- When you click the **Navigation Location** link, a new window will open allowing you to choose one the four placement options: **Top**, **Bottom**, **Side**, or **Top & Bottom**. Select

- one of those options to display the navigation links on your page.
- If you choose the **Side** display option, you will have a Navigation (Sidebar) color behind your links. This color can be changed by accessing the **Color Editor**.
- Once you are finished setting up your navigation links display, click **Done** to save your settings and close the window.

Link Information

The **Link Information** option allows you to choose whether you want the links on your site to be underlined constantly or underlined on only on rollovers (when the mouse passes over the link.)

- When you click the **Link Information** link, a new window will open allowing you to select your links appearance preference from the drop-down menu.
- Once you have selected the display option for your links, click **Done** to save your settings and close the window.

Navigation (Sidebar) Width

The **Navigation (Sidebar) Width** option allows you to change the width of the navigation sidebar. This option can be used only when you choose to place your navigation links on the side of your page.

- When you click the **Navigation (Sidebar) Width** link, a new window will open allowing you to set the pixel width of your navigation sidebar. The width is originally set at 150 pixels, which will allow most page titles/navigation links to be displayed without wrapping the text.
- To change the width, highlight the number and type the number for the new pixel width.
- Once you have finished changing the width, click **Done** to save your settings and close the window.

Color Editor

The **Color Editor** option allows you to change the colors that appear on your site.

- Before you click the **Select Color Editor** link, you will need to choose your browser type and speed from the drop-down menu located to the right of the **Select Color Editor** link.
- Once you have selected one of the two options available, click the **Select Color Editor** link to open a new window that will allow you to select your color preferences.

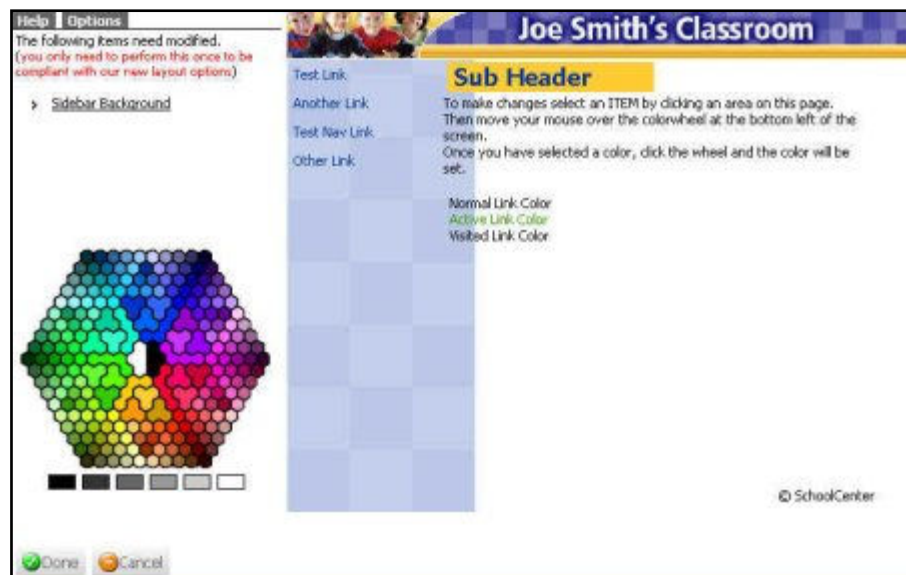


Figure 8-4
Color Editor

- To change the color of different areas on your site or page, click the area you would like to change and then go to the color picker to select the color you want.
- Once you have finished making your color selection, click **Done** to save your settings.



*For more options, click the **Options** tab located in the upper left corner of the Color Editor window. This will allow you to see the Title bar, Header Image, and Background Image if they apply to your pages.*

Corner Type

The **Corner Type** option allows you to choose whether you want the corners of your boxes for the Titlebar, Sub-Headers (when your page is in the Newsletter style) and the Navigation Sidebar to be rounded or squared.

- When you click the **Corner Type** link, a new window will open allowing you to select your corner preference.
- Once you are finished making your selection, click **Done** to save your settings and close the window.

Background Image

The **Background Image** option allows you to place an image on your site as a background.

- When you click the **Background Image** link, a new window will open allowing you to add a background image to your site by clicking the **Add Media** icon. A new window will open where you can upload your image.
- Once you have finished adding your background image to your site, click **Done** to save your settings and close the window.



*For more on adding images, see the **Adding Pictures** section of this manual.*

Copyright Location

The **Copyright Location** option allows you to change the alignment of the copyright as it appears on your site.

- When you click the **Copyright Location** link, a new window will open allowing you to choose the alignment for your copyright.
- The copyright will appear at the bottom of your site. You can choose to locate your copyright on the left side, the center, or the right side.
- Once you have finished selecting your alignment options, click **Done** to save your settings and close the window.

Last Update

The **Last Update** option allows you to show or hide from visitors the last date on which the website was edited.

- When you click the **Last Update** link, a new window will open allowing you to select **Show** or **Hide** from the drop-down menu. When the last update is shown, the date when

- the site was last edited will appear at the bottom of the page.
- Once you have made your selection, click **Done** to save your settings and close the window.

Advanced Page Design

Advanced Page Design

Advanced Page Design will allow you to change a single page or multiple pages at one time.

- Select the Advanced tab for advanced layout options.



Figure 8-5
Advanced Page Design

- To make changes to your layout or current settings, click the name of the feature you would like to modify.



Options are available depending on the settings or options selected.

When you have finished changing your layout options, you can apply the changes to multiple pages by using the **Site Tier Index**.

- Select the page or pages you want to apply these changes to from the **Site Tier Index**.

Figure 8-6
Site Tier Index

- After the pages have been selected, scroll to the bottom of the page and click **Apply** to save your settings.
- To preview the changes before applying them to your site, click the blue **Preview** button. A preview of your changes will open in a new window.
- If you want to change the layout to the previous settings before you modified them, click **Reset**.



*Resetting the layout will only be modified **before** you click **Apply**.. Once the changes to the layout are applied, you will not be able to reset the layout.*

Page Location

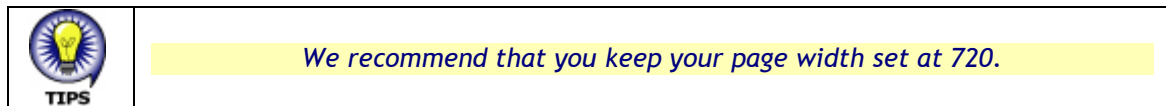
The **Page Location** option can be used to change the alignment of your pages within the browser window.

- When you click the **Page Location** link, a new window will open allowing you to choose left or center alignment for your site.
- Once you have selected the alignment option for your page, click **Done** to save your settings and close the window.

Page Width

The **Page Width** option can be used to set the width of your website pages. All site pages are initially set at 720 pixels. This width is the recommended width for pages viewed on 15-inch monitors.

- When you click the **Page Width** link, a new window will open, allowing you to select the page width setting.
- Once you have selected the width for your page, click **Done** to save your settings and close the window.



Font Type

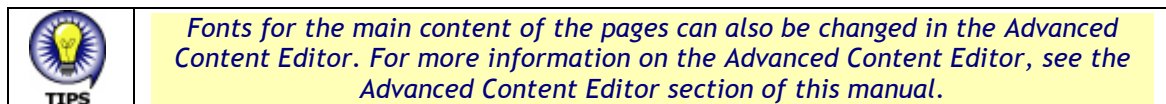
The **Font Type** option can be used to change your website page fonts. Changing the font type here will change not only the fonts of the main content on your page, but also the navigation font.

- When you click the **Font Type** link, a new window will open allowing you to select the font type for your site from the drop-down menu.

The fonts you can choose from are:

Arial	Georgia
Century Gothic	Helvetica
Charcoal	MS Sans Serif
Chicago	Tahoma
Comic Sans	MS Techno
Cooperplate Gothic Bold	Cooperplate Gothic Italic
Times New Roman	Trebuchet MS
Courier New	Verdana
Garamond	

- Once you have selected the font type for your site, click **Done** to save your settings and close the window.



The **Header Editor** option is used for advanced Header Image and Titlebar options. When you click the **Header Editor** link, a new window will open to allow you to select your options.


Main

The Header Editor window will open on the **Main** tab.


Figure 8-7
Header Editor - Main



In this area, you can first select whether you want your titlebar to be shown or hidden.

	<p><i>If you choose to have your titlebar shown, it will automatically update the Titlebar Visibility layout option.</i></p>
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- From the next drop-down menu, select if you want just the simple page title or the parent section title and page title to appear in the title bar.
- Next, you can select whether you want the header to be a normal image or a clickable link.
- If you choose to make it a clickable link, type the URL address to which you want the header to link, then select whether the link will open in the same window or in a new window.
- In the **Main** tab, you can also choose to make the corners of your title bar rounded or squared by choosing from the drop-down menu.

	<p><i>Changes made to the Corner Type will automatically update the Corner Type layout option.</i></p>
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- Once you have made your selection, click the next tab to continue within the Header Editor or click **Done** to save your settings.

Positioning

- Click the **Positioning** tab if you want to make changes to the placement of the Title bar and Header Image.
- From the drop-down menu, select the location of the header image in relation to the titlebar. The image can be placed either inside or outside of the titlebar.
- Next, select the placement of the header image in relation to the titlebar. You can place it at the top, bottom, left, or right of the title bar by selecting one of the choices from the drop-down menu.
- Once you have made your selection, click the next tab to continue within the Header Editor or click **Done** to save your settings.

Title

Within the **Title** area, you can change the settings of the titlebar.

- From the drop-down menus, select the font size of the title and the position of the title within the titlebar.
- In the **Titlebar** box below, you can also select the height and width of the titlebar and the alignment of the titlebar on the page.
- Once you have made your selection, click the next tab to continue within the Header Editor or click **Done** to save your settings.

Image


The **Image** area of the Header Editor allows you to change the settings of the Header Image.

- You can determine whether there should be spacing between the header image and the titlebar by choosing to turn the padding on or off in the drop-down menu.
- Once you have made your selection, click **Done** to save your settings.

Titlebar Visibility

The **Titlebar Visibility** option can be used to hide or display the title bar at the top of each page of the site. When the title bar is shown, a band of color will appear at the top of your page containing the title/name of the page.

- When you click the **Titlebar Visibility** link, a new window will open allowing you to show or to hide your titlebar.
- Once you have selected the titlebar visibility for your page, click **Done** to save your settings and close the window.

	<p><i>It is recommended that you hide your titlebar if you choose to display a banner/header image.</i></p>
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Header Image

The **Header Image** option allows you to place an image on the top of your site in the form of either an image or a banner. If you choose to use a banner, you may use the **Image Creator** to design your own banner or, alternatively, you may use any third-party software.

Figure 8-8
Image upload screen



- When you click the **Header Image** link, a new window will open allowing you to add an image by clicking the **Add Media** icon and uploading your image.
- Once you are finished adding your image, click **Done** to save your settings and close the window.

Image Map Image

The Image Map Image option allows you to use an image as the base for your website's navigation. A certain area of the image will be designated as the link for one area of your site, with the page title visible upon the mouse rollover of the area. Visitors can access any webpage on your site by clicking the appropriate area of the image.

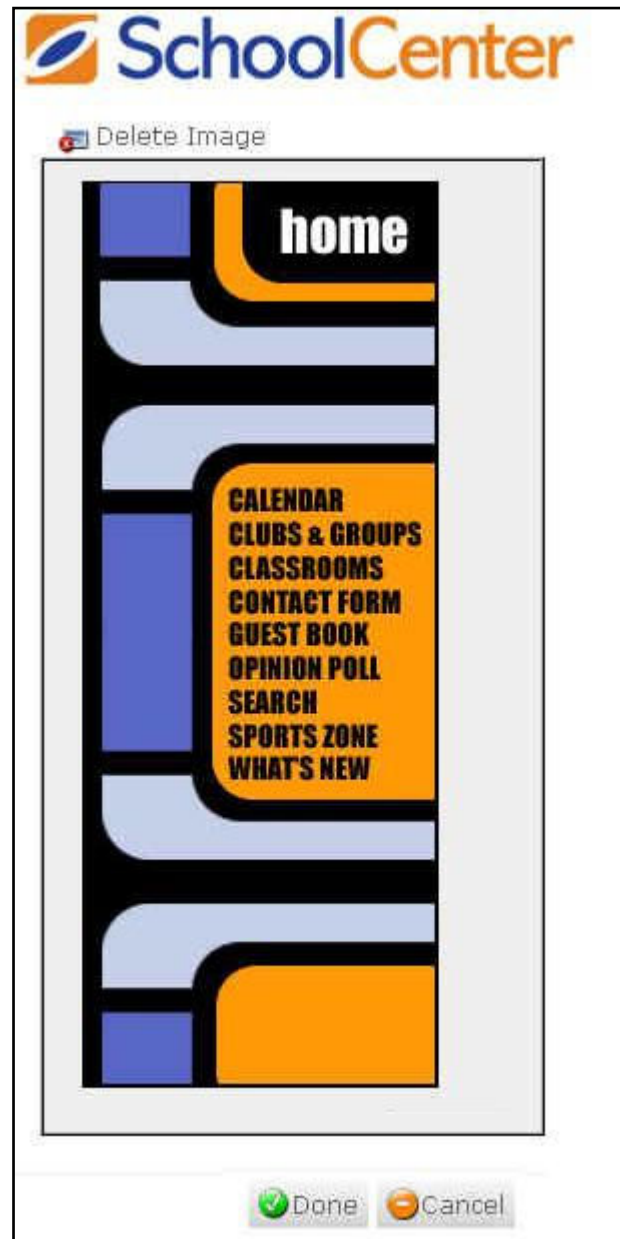


Figure 8-9
Image Map Image

- When you click the **Image Map Image** link, a new window will open allowing you to add an image by clicking the **Add Media** icon and uploading your image.

- Once you are finished adding your image, click **Done** to save your settings and close the window.

Date/Location Bar

The **Date/Location Bar** option allows you the option of turning on or turning off the Drill-Down Navigation and the Date Bar. This option also allows you to change the date format display. This is the navigation and date that appears between the title bar or header image and the content of your site.

- When you click the **Date/Location Bar** link, a new window will open allowing you to select your options.
- From the drop-down menus, select **On** or **Off** for the drill-down navigation and the date.
- Next, select the **Drill-Down Format** to be shown as links or as a drop-down menu and select the **Date Format**.
- Once you have selected the options for your site, click **Done** to save your settings and close the window.
- The **Navigation Editor** allows you to work with advanced navigation layout options. When you click the **Navigation Editor** link, a new window will open to allow you to select your options.

Main

The window will open on the **Main** tab.

Figure 8-10
Navigation Editor - Main

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Main Text Box Nav Colors

Sidebar background should be shown
Allows you to specify whether or not the Sidebar background is shown

Link underlining should be always off
Allows you to specify whether or not the links are underlined

Links will appear on the side of the page
Allows you to specify where the navigation links will appear

Set my Sidebar to 150 (width in pixels)
Allows you to set the size of the navigation bar when it is located vertically on the page

Corners should be square
Choose rounded or squared corners

Link Number 1


Link 2

Link Number 3


Link 4

Link Number 5


- In this area, you will first be able to select whether you want your sidebar background to be shown or hidden.

	<p><i>Your Sidebar background color can also be set in the Color Editor.</i></p>
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- The next option will allow you to specify your underline setting for your navigation links.

	<p><i>Changes here will not affect the Link Information setting. Changes here only affect the navigation links.</i></p>
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- Next, you can select your navigation link placement choosing from the options in the drop-down menu.

	<p><i>Changes to the navigation placement in the Navigation Editor will automatically update the Navigation Location setting</i></p>
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- The next option allows you to set the size of the Navigation Sidebar when it is located on the left side of the page. You can choose the number of pixels from the drop-down menu.

	<p><i>Changes to the pixel width will automatically update the Navigation (Sidebar) Width setting.</i></p>
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- The last option allows you to choose to make the corners of your Navigation Sidebar, Titlebar and any Sub-Headers (when in Newsletter style) rounded or squared by choosing from the drop-down menu.

	<p><i>Changes made to the Corner Type in the Navigation Editor will automatically update the Corner Type layout option.</i></p>
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- Once you have made your selection, click the next tab to continue within the Navigation Editor, or click **Done** to save your settings.

Text

In this area, you can change your navigation text settings.

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Main Text **Box** Nav Colors

Align link text to the of the navigation buttons
Specifies the alignment of the link text in relation to the inside of its containing box

Link font size should be (point size, as in 10pt)
Select the size of the links font

Link Number 1
 Link 2
 Link Number 3
 Link 4
 Link Number 5

Done Cancel

Figure 8-11
Navigation Editor - Text

- First, you can select your link text alignment. This specifies the alignment of the link text in relation to the inside of its containing box.
- The next option allows you to choose the link font size from the drop-down menu.
- Once you have made your selection, click the next tab to continue within the Navigation Editor, or click **Done** to save your settings.

Box

This area allows you to change the spacing and borders of the navigation links.

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Main Text Box **Nav Colors**

Spacing between link boxes should be (width in pixels)
Changes the spacing between the link containers
(Please note: does not always appear as expected when viewing in Mac/IE)

Border should be (width in pixels)
Changes the size of the border around the link container

Link Number 1
 Link 2
 Link Number 3
 Link 4
 Link Number 5

Done Cancel

Figure 8-12
Navigation Editor - Box

- The first option allows you to change the spacing between the link containers by selecting the pixel width from the drop-down menu.
- You can also change the size of the border around the link container by selecting the pixel width from the drop-down menu.
- Once you have made your selection, click the next tab to continue within the Navigation Editor, or click **Done** to save your settings.

Colors

This area of the Navigation Editor allows you to change the colors of the navigation links.

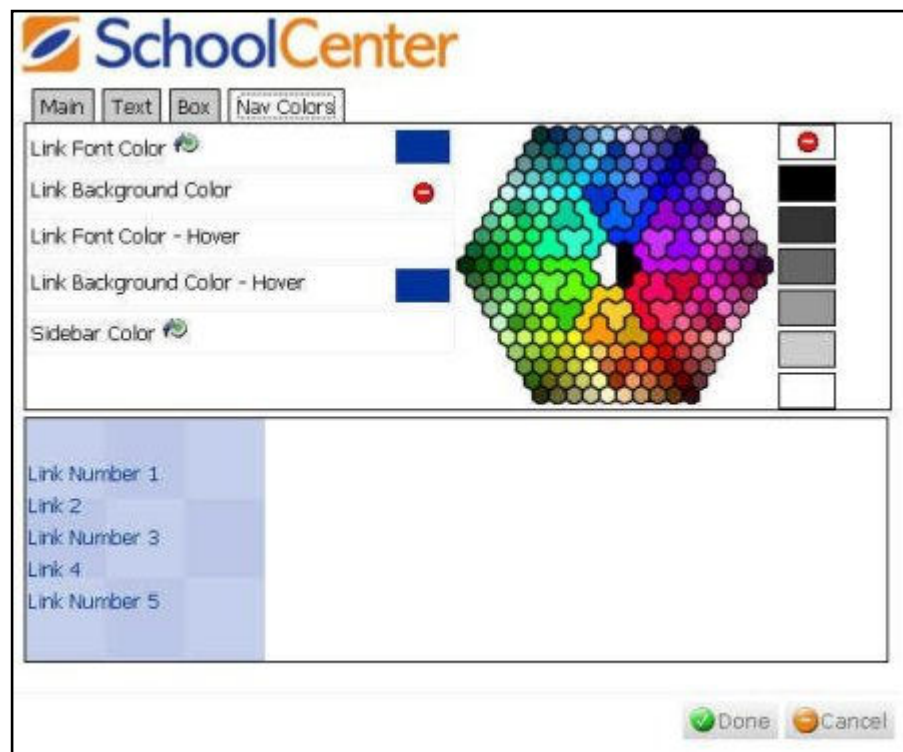




Figure 8-13
Navigation Editor -
Colors

- To specify a color, click the color square next to the link option you want to modify and select the color from the Color Picker.
- You can change the Link Font Color, Link Background Color, Link Font Hover Color, Link Background Color, and Sidebar Color.
- Once you have made your selection, click **Done** to save your settings.



TIPS

The option  is designated transparent or No Color.

Navigation Location

The **Navigation Location** option allows you to choose the placement of the navigation links on your website.

- When you click the **Navigation Location** link, a new window will open allowing you to choose one the four placement options of **Top**, **Bottom**, **Side**, or **Top & Bottom** - in which to display your Navigation links on your page.
- If you choose the **Side** display option, you will have a Navigation (Sidebar) color behind your links. This color can be changed by accessing the Color Editor.

- Once you are finished setting up your navigation links display, click **Done** to save your settings and close the window.

Link Information

The **Link Information** option allows you to choose whether you want for the links on your site to be underlined constantly or underlined on only on rollovers (when the mouse passes over the link).

- When you click the **Link Information** link, a new window will open allowing you to select your links appearance preference from the drop-down menu.
- Once you have selected the display option for your links, click **Done** to save your settings and close the window.

Navigation (Sidebar) Type

The **Navigation (Sidebar) Type** option allows you to select whether or not you want your navigational links to be standard image map, or custom.

Figure 8-14
Navigation type



- When you click the **Navigation (Sidebar) Type** link, a new window will open so that you can choose the navigation type. Choosing the **Standard** navigation will place the links in a straight line on the page.
- Grouping the navigation will create a dynamic menu system with a floating navigation. Select the style option you want to use.
- Once you are finished making your selection, click **Done** to save your settings and close the window.



The navigation can be grouped from the Page component. For more information on grouping the navigation, see the Grouping Navigation section.

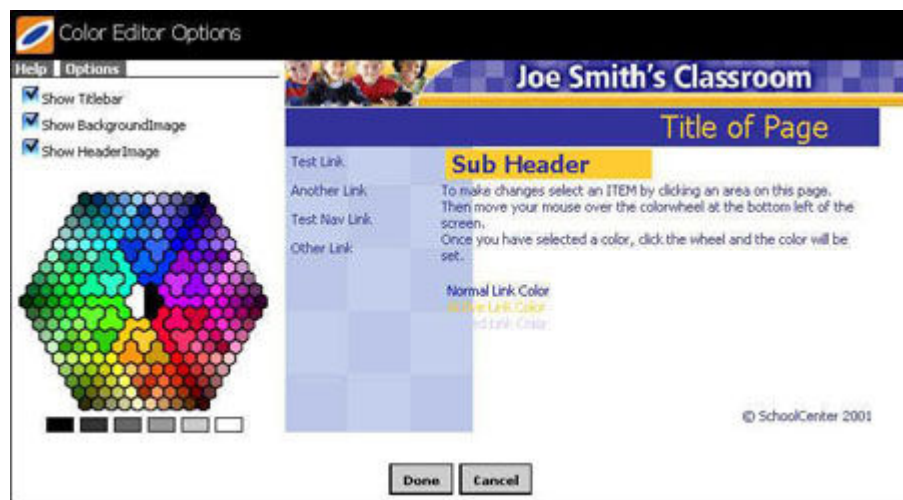
Color Editor

The **Color Editor** option allows you to change the colors that appear on your site.


- Before you click the **Select Color Editor** link, you will need to choose your browser type

- and speed from the drop-down menu located to the right of the **Select Color Editor** link.
- Once you have selected one of the two options available, click the **Select Color Editor** link to open a new window that will allow you to select your color preferences.

Figure 8-15
Color Editor



- To change the color of different areas on your site or page, click the area you would like to change and then go to the color picker to select the color you want.
- Once you have finished making your color selection, click **Done** to save your settings.

 <p>NOTES</p>	<p><i>For more options, click the Options tab located in the upper left corner of the Color Editor window. This will allow you to see the Title bar, Header Image, and Background Image if they apply to your pages.</i></p>
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Corner Type

The **Corner Type** option allows you to choose whether you want the corners of your boxes for the Titlebar, Sub-Headers (when your page is in the Newsletter style), and the Navigation Sidebar to be rounded or squared.

- When you click the **Corner Type** link, a new window will open allowing you to select your corner preference.
- Once you are finished making your selection, click **Done** to save your settings and close the window.

Navigation (Sidebar) Width

The **Navigation (Sidebar) Width** option allows you to change the width of the navigation sidebar. This option can be used only when you choose to place your navigation links on the side of your page.

- When you click the **Navigation (Sidebar) Width** link, a new window will open allowing you to set the pixel width of your navigation sidebar. The width is originally set at 150 pixels, which will allow most page titles/navigation links to be displayed without wrapping the text.
- To change the width, highlight the number and then type the number for the new pixel width.
- Once you have finished changing the width, click **Done** to save your settings and close the window.

Navigation Background Image


The Navigation Background Image allows users to upload an image to use behind the navigation links.

- When you click the **Navigation Background Image** link, a new window will open allowing you to upload an image.
- Click the **Add Media** icon and upload the image from your local computer, the **SchoolCenter** Gallery, or the local **Image Gallery**.
- Once you have finished uploading the image, click **Done** to save your settings and close the window.

Background Image

The **Background Image** option allows you to place an image on your site as a background.

- When you click the **Background Image** link, a new window will open allowing you to add a background image to your site by clicking the **Add Media** icon.
- This will take you to a new screen where you can upload your image.
- Once you have finished adding your background image to your site, click **Done** to save your settings and close the window.

	<p><i>For more on adding images, see the Adding Pictures section of this manual.</i></p>
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Newsletter Box Options

The **Newsletter Box Options** allow you to customize the text boxes on your website when using the Newsletter style.

- When you click the **Newsletter Box Options** link, a new window will open allowing you to customize the title text, the border of the box, the box's background color, and the box's title image.

Figure 8-16
Newsletter Box Options



The screenshot shows the 'SchoolCenter' logo at the top. Below it is a 'Title Text' section with 'Alignment' options (Left, Center, Right) where 'Center' is selected, a 'Font' size of 2, and checkboxes for 'Bold' (checked) and 'Italic' (unchecked). The 'Box Border' section has an unchecked checkbox. The 'Background Color' section has a checked checkbox and a red color swatch. The 'Box Title Image' section has an 'Add Image' button and the text 'No Newsletter Box Image'. At the bottom right are 'Done' and 'Cancel' buttons.

- Once you have finished customizing your options, click **Done** to save your settings and close the window.


Copyright Visibility

The **Copyright Visibility** option can be used to show or hide the copyright on your website's pages.


- When you click the **Copyright Visibility** link, a new window will open allowing you to choose if you want it to be shown or hidden. Select your preference by checking the radio button next to the option.
- Once you have selected one of the two options, click **Done** to save your settings and close the window.

Background Audio

The **Background Audio** option allows you to place audio files on your site to use as background music. When a music file is uploaded to the page, the music will start playing each time the browser is refreshed.

	<p><i>The media will not automatically play when in edit mode.</i></p>
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- When you click the **Background Audio** link, a new window will open allowing you to add the audio file by clicking the **Add Media** icon.
- Click **Browse** to locate the file you want to use within your computer's hard drive.
- Once you have located the file, click **Upload Audio File**.

	<p><i>Audio files that can be used as background music are limited to a 10mb size limit. The acceptable media types that can be added are .mp3, .wav, .mid and .ac3 files.</i></p>
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- When the Background Audio file is uploaded, the media player bar will appear at the bottom of the page.
- Once you are finished adding your audio file, click **Done** to save your settings and close the window.

Copyright Location

The **Copyright Location** option allows you to change the alignment of the copyright as it appears on your site.

- When you click the **Copyright Location** link, a new window will open to allow you to choose the alignment for your copyright.
- The copyright will appear at the bottom of your site. You can choose to locate your copyright on the left side, the center, or the right side.
- Once you have finished selecting your alignment options, click **Done** to save your settings and close the window.

Last Update

The **Last Update** option allows you to show or hide from visitors the last date when the website was edited.

- When you click the **Last Update** link, a new window will open giving you the option to select **Show** or **Hide** from the drop-down menu. When the last update is shown, the date

- when the site was last edited will appear at the bottom of the page.
- Once you have made your selection, click **Done** to save your settings and close the window.

Themes

Themes

SchoolCenter offers a variety of theme pages for your use. Themes are pages that have the background and banner already selected for you. Certain themes also come complete with background images, header images, and other pre-selected designs that give your site a polished and professional look instantaneously. There are different varieties of themes to choose from and each theme has a choice of color scheme.

Using the Page Design options will allow you to make design changes to your website. There are a few different ways to access the Page Design area:

- From any page on your site that you have access to or from your Start Page, you can click the **Design** button.
- From any page on your site, you can click the **Page Settings** option in the **Edit** drop-down menu, and then click the **Page Design** button.
- Once you have opened Page Design, click the **Themes** tab. This will open the themes library.

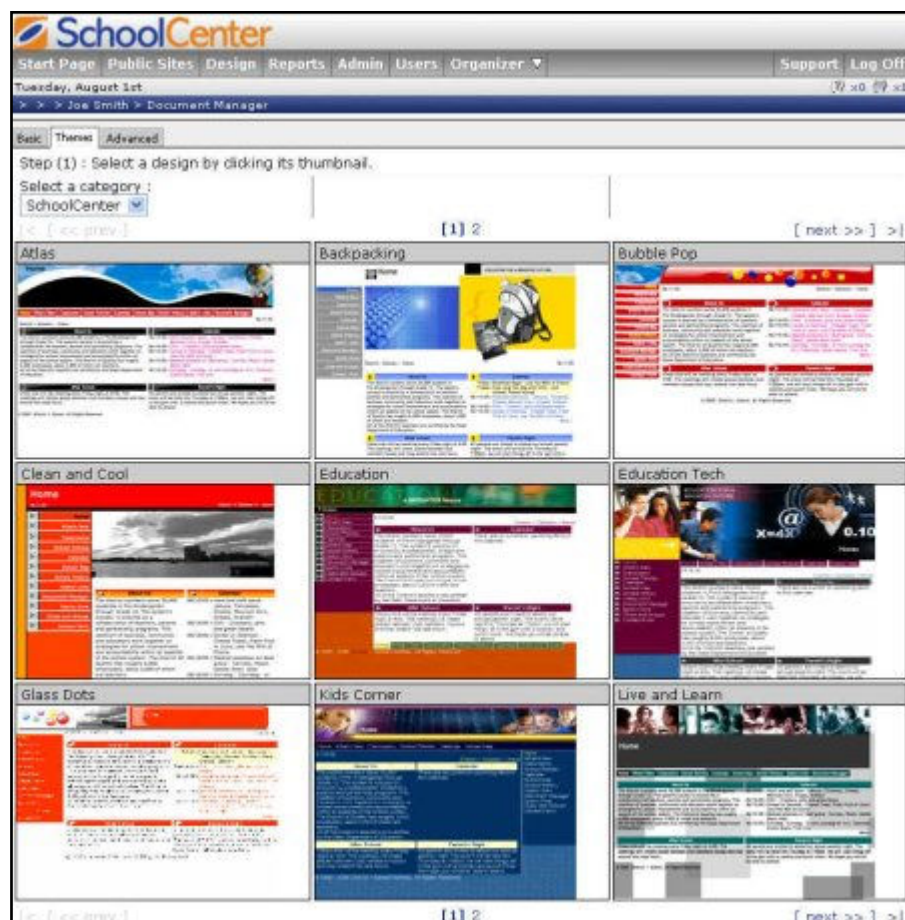


Figure 8-17
Themes

- You can choose a theme category from the drop-down menu. The categories are **Holiday**, **SchoolCenter** and **Sports**.
- You can preview the theme by clicking the theme. A page with the theme you have

- chosen will open with the theme in a variety of colors.
- For a large preview of the theme, click the theme color you want to view.
- If you decide that you want to see another color, click the **Back to Step 2** link.
- If you decide that you want to view another theme, click the **Back to Step 1** link.
- Select the type of theme you would like to apply to your page or site by clicking the theme image.
- Next, select the color of the theme you want to apply by clicking the theme image.
- To apply the theme to your page click **Apply to This Page**.
- To apply the theme to multiple pages click **Apply to Multiple Pages**.

Figure 8-18
Applying Themes



This will take you to the Advanced Page Design page.

- Select the page or pages you want to apply the theme to from the **Site Tier Index**.

Figure 8-19
Site Tier Index

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Classrooms

Joe Smith

Forum

Home

Scrapbook

Classroom Calendar

Forum

Useful Links

Contact Form

Document Manager

Create a Custom Form

Test Bank

Document Manager 

(opened component)


(selected view)

What's New

Guestbook

Contact Form


- After the pages have been selected, click **Apply** to save your settings.



USER WARNING

Themes are created with pre-selected settings. Changing any of the layout options may affect the way the theme displays on your page.

- To preview the changes before applying them to your site, click the blue **Preview** button. A preview of your changes will open in a new window.
- If you want to change the layout to the settings they were before you modified them, click **Reset**.



NOTES

Resetting the layout will only be modified *before* you click **Apply**. Once the changes to the layout are applied, you will not be able to reset the layout.

- To remove the applied theme, select the **Undo Layout/Theme** option from the **Edit Options** drop-down menu located above the Site Tier Index on the right side.

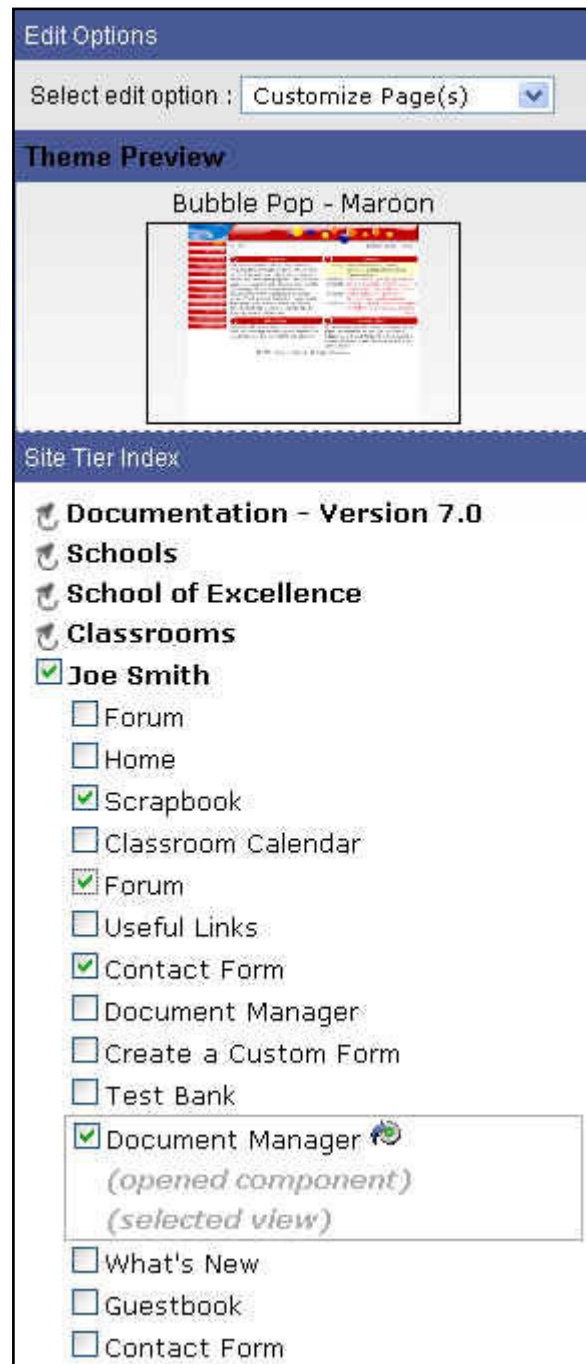


Figure 8-20
Undoing a Theme

- Next, select all the pages you want to remove the theme from by placing a check in the box next to the page title.
- Click **Apply** and the Page Design will revert back to the design before the theme was applied.

Chapter 9 - Page Components

Page Components

SchoolCenter's software contains a wide array of page components to aid you in creating the most comprehensive and well-organized website possible.

Creating New Sites

- To create a section for your site, go to the page to which you want to add a section (Administrative Department, Classroom, Non-Student Organization, Clubs and Groups, Sports Zone).
- In the Edit drop-down menu, click **Switch to View Mode**.
- From the Edit drop-down menu, click the **Add New Site** option.
- A new window will appear. In the **Please enter a site title below** text box, type the name of the section that you want to add, and then click **Done**.
- The Page Settings window will open.
- The section will be added and listed below the text box.

Moving Sites

- To move this section to a similar page section located elsewhere on your site, click the **Move** icon in Legacy Mode or choose **Move Site** from the drop-down menu if in New Mode. A new window will open that will allow you to choose a destination for the section.



Sections can only be moved within the same types of page components. Example: an Administrative Department section can only be moved to another Administrative Department.

- To add/delete users to the section, click **User** to go to the Access Manager in the User Editor area in Legacy Mode. If you are in New Mode, click the **Edit Site Permissions** option in the drop-down menu.
- Click the section name to visit that section's home page.



For more on adding users, see the User Editor section of this manual.

Deleting a Site

- To delete a section, click the edit icon next to the section.
- In Legacy Mode, in the new window that opens, click the **Delete** icon. In New Mode, chose the **Delete** option from the drop-down menu.



Deleting the page listing the sections will delete the sections as well.

- To rename a section, go to that section's home page and choose **Page Settings** from the Edit drop-down menu. In the **Section Title** option, enter a new title.

Page Settings

Default Pages and Settings

The **Default Pages and Settings** is a function in the Advanced Mode that allows you to preset the page design and content of created sites.

While in Edit mode, click the **[Edit Default Pages & Settings]** option in the **Edit** drop-down menu. This will take you into the Template section. Here, you can add pages, change the page design, and add content. When you are done making your changes, click the **Template** link in the drill-down navigation. Any new section created after the Template is changed will have those changes.

Page Settings

All pages have settings you can customize for the presentation of the various pages on your website.

- To access the Page Settings window for a particular page component, navigate to that page and click the **Edit** drop-down menu.
- Choose the **Page Settings** option.

Within this window, you can change the page title and choose from several different options on how the page will appear on the screen. You can also decide who can view the page. The **Page Settings** options differ depending on the page component. The most recent user to edit the page and the date of that update will appear in the Page Settings window.

Figure 9-1
Page Settings

SchoolCenter

General Details

Home Page Settings

Site Title : Ms. Bull

☒ Show hit counter

Prime the Counter : 0

URL Redirect :

Subdirectory :

☐ Do not show link to School of Excellence

Page Settings

Page Type : Home

Page Title : Home

Homepage Style: ☐ Newsletter ☒ Scrapbook

☐ Hide all box titles

Page Design Delete Done Cancel

Some of the common features available in page components are:

Password protect this page in View mode

This option will password-protect your page by allowing you to enter in a user name and password in the appropriate text boxes to access the page.

Allow more than one (1) Add picture and text

This option allows you to add more than one edit field to your page.

Use newsletter style scrapbook instead of Add Picture and Text

This feature changes the edit fields to Newsletter style, allowing for advanced editing and display options.

Allow public to subscribe to this page

When you select this option, visitors can enter their email address and you can email all subscribers at the same time to let them know this page has been updated.

Show Babel Fish language translation box

When you select this option, a Babel Fish translation options box will appear at the bottom of your page. This feature gives viewers the choice of having your site translated into eight different languages.

Hide link in navigation

Selecting the **Hide Link in Navigation** box will keep this page from appearing in the set of links unless the user is in Edit Mode.

Figure 9-2
Details Tab



The screenshot shows the 'SchoolCenter' interface with the 'Details' tab selected. The 'General' tab is also visible. The 'Details' tab contains several checkboxes and a button:

- ☐ Allow more than one (1) **Add picture and text**
- ☐ Allow public to subscribe to this page
- ☐ Show Babel Fish language translation box
- ☐ Hide link in navigation
- ☐ Deny public access to **Test Bank**
- ☐ Make this page the homepage
- ☒ Move this page to another section

At the bottom of the form, there are four buttons: 'Page Design' (with a pencil icon), 'Delete' (with a red X icon), 'Done' (with a green checkmark icon), and 'Cancel' (with an orange X icon).

Deny public access to


This option will hide the link to this page and protect it from users that do not have edit access to this page.

Make this page the homepage

The **Make this page the homepage** option allows users to make the page the Homepage of the site.

Move this page to another section

This option will allow you to move a page to another section. The page will be copied to your **Move Buffer**. To place the page, go to the homepage of the section you are moving it to.

	<p><i>Each Page Component also has unique Page Settings. For more information about these page settings, see each Page Component.</i></p>
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Meta

This option allows you to add keywords and phrases to your site's or page's meta tags for Internet search engines. If these words are typed into the search engine, the search will include your site or page in the results. You can type words such as your school's name, or your sports team's name, or anything else you think someone who is interested in your site might look under.

Figure 9-3
Meta Tab



Page Component Overview

Page Components Overview

Administrative Departments

The **Administrative Departments** page allows you to organize department sections into an easy-to-navigate list. Examples of administrative departments could include pages for the superintendent, principals, guidance counselors, and other important people in your school district.

From this page, you can also add or delete departments. The Administrative Department section, like the Clubs and Groups and Non-Student Organization sections, is a subsection of the main school site. This means that it can have its own unique layout and users can be granted access solely to the pages within each section.

You also have the option to add a header that contains an image and text to the Administrative Departments section. For more on adding images and text, see the **Adding Pictures and Adding Text** sections of this manual.

Class Projects

The **Class Projects** component is available within the Classroom sections of your website. This feature allows students to have their own area where they can edit and track classroom projects. This section is suitable for Web quests, uploading PowerPoint presentations, journals, photo albums and countless other classroom-related uses. Students can be given their own login name and password and be granted access to this site.

You also have the option to add or delete class projects and pages from the Class Projects section. The Project Diary component is part of the Class Projects section.

Clubs and Groups

The **Clubs and Groups** page allows you to organize your school's clubs or groups sections into an easy-to-navigate list. Such organizations could include the National Honor Society, Student Council, Beta Club and countless other types of groups.

From this page, you can also add or delete clubs and groups. The Clubs and Groups section, like the Administrative Departments section, is a subsection of the main school site, meaning that it can have its own unique layout and users can be granted access solely to the pages within each section.


You also have the option to add a header that contains an image and text to the Clubs and Groups section. For more on adding images and text, see the **Adding Pictures and Adding Text** sections of this manual.

Non Student Organizations

Non-Student Organizations

The **Non-Student Organizations** section allows you to organize non-student, but school-related organization pages into an easy-to-navigate list. Such organizations could include the PTA, PTO, M.A.D.D., the Boosters, and other similar organizations.

From this page, you can also add or delete non-student organizations. The Non-Student Organizations section, like the Administrative Departments section, is a subsection of the main school site. This means it can have its own unique layout and users can be granted access solely to the pages within each section.


	<p><i>For more on adding or deleting departments, see Creating Sections.</i></p>
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You also have the option to add a header that contains an image and text to the Non-Student Organizations section. For more on adding images and text, see the **Adding Pictures and Adding Text** sections of this manual.

Sports Zone

The **Sports Zone** section allows your school to set up a separate area on its website designated for the school sports teams. Each team can have its own section, each with its own look, layout, links, and users. You can add in as many or as few team pages, depending on the needs of your school.

From this page, you can also add or delete team pages. The Sports Zone section, like the Administrative Departments section, is a subsection of the main school site. This means it can have its own unique layout and users can be granted access solely to the pages within each section.

	<p><i>For more on adding or deleting departments, see Creating Sections.</i></p>
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You also have the option to add a header that contains an image and text to the Sports Zone section. For more on adding images and text, see the **Adding Pictures and Adding Text** sections of this manual.

Page Setting Options

The Page Setting option for **Administrative Departments, Classroom Projects, Clubs and Groups, Non-Student Organizations, and Sports Zone** are the same.

- To access Page Settings, navigate to the specific page you are adjusting the setting for and then click the **Edit** drop-down menu.
- Choose **Page Settings** from the **Edit** drop-down menu. A new window will open.

General

- In the **General** tab, you have the options to change the page title, to password-protect your page, and to show picture and text below the listings.

Details

- In the **Details** tab, you can choose one of the following options: **Allow Public to Subscribe to Page**, **Hide Link in Navigation**, **Deny Public Access**, **Make This Page the Homepage**, or **Move this Page**.

- All of the Page Settings options are explained in detail in the beginning of this chapter.
- Meta**
- Add keywords and phrases to your page's meta tags for Internet search engines. If these words are typed into the search engine, the search will include your page in the results. You can type words such as your school's name, or your sports team's name, or anything else you think someone who is interested in your site might look under.
 - Click **Done** to save your settings once you have finished.

Calendar

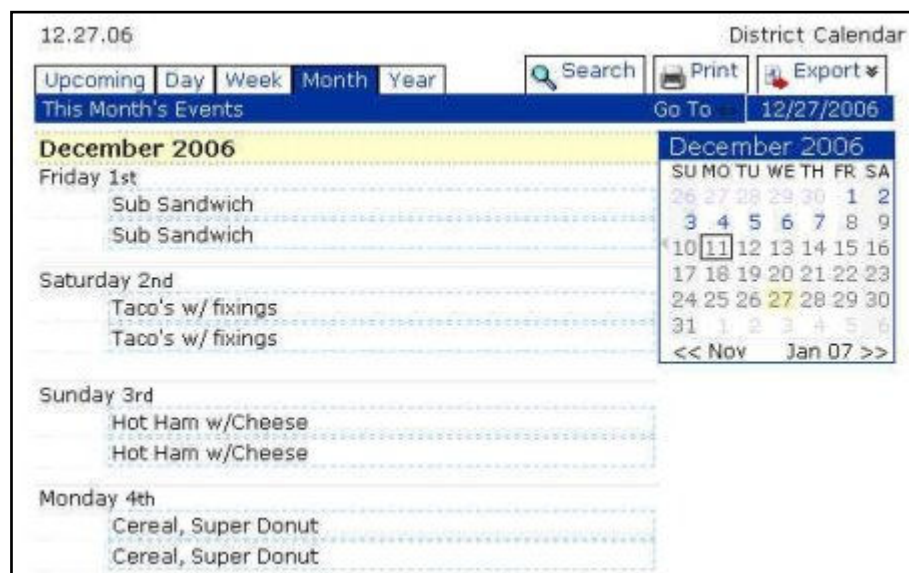
Calendar

The **Calendar** is a convenient way to inform your visitors about upcoming events within the school or district.

Events can be set up in color-coded categories tracked by the **Category Legend**, which is automatically created by the software when new categories are added. You also have the option of choosing the colors for each category by clicking the color square when creating the category.

You can choose from several display options (including daily, weekly, monthly, etc.) to display the calendar as a list or to show or hide event details. You can import information from other calendars in your district and export information out to your Personal Data Assistant (e.g, Palm Pilot) and to other applications outside of the software.

Figure 9-4
Calendar



The Calendar also contains Search and Print features.

Categories

- To add a category to your Calendar, click the **Edit** drop-down menu and choose the **Manage Categories** option.
- Select **Add a New Category** from the **Categories** drop-down menu.
- Type the name of the new category into the **Name** text box.
- Click **Done** to save the new category and return to the Calendar page. You can also click **Save & New** to save the new category and add more new categories.

Reminder

- In the **Reminder** tab, you can choose to have a reminder sent to you prior to the event. Click the **Send me an email reminder about this event** option.
- From the drop-down menu, choose whether you want to be reminded one week or one day prior to the event.
- Once you have entered all of the information necessary for your new event, click **Done** to save your changes.

Share Data

A share feature has been built into the Calendar page component so that information entered on these pages may be shared from classroom to district, school to classroom, and from school to school. This feature results in information being entered in one area and having it shared throughout the entire website.

- To share the data, you must be in **Edit** mode.
- While on the Calendar page, choose the **Share Data** option in the **Edit** drop-down menu. This will open a new window with **Summary**, **Pull Data**, and **Push Data** tabs.

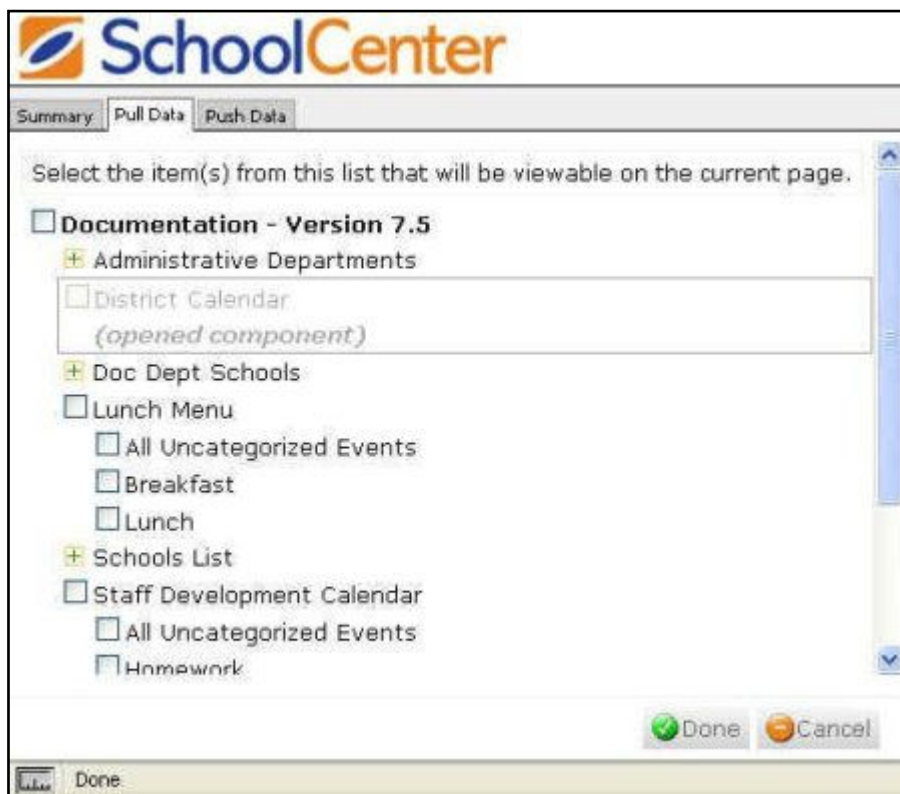
Summary

- The **Summary** tab shows the pages, if any, that data is being pulled or pushed from. You can change the pages by clicking the page name in the page summary. This will take you to the Pull tab or the Push tab where you can select or clear pages.

Pull Data

- Click the **Pull Data** tab to show a list of pages in your site.
- Navigate to the page you want to pull data from, and then select the categories you want to place in your page.
- Once you are finished choosing sites, click **Done**. The data pulled from the other page will now appear on the site with a barrels icon next to the information instead of an Edit icon. This means that you will not be able to edit the information, since it is pulled from another page. If the information is changed on the original page, it will subsequently change the information on your page.

Figure 9-5
Show Other options



- To remove the data from your page, click the **Pull Data** tab.
- Clear the check box and click **Done**. The data will then be removed from your page.

Push Data

- To push data to another site, you must be a system administrator. This tab does the opposite of the Pull Data tab. Instead of taking information from another site, you are giving information, or pushing data, to other sites throughout the district. This feature

can be used for district holiday schedules and other events you want to appear on other sites.

- Click the **Push Data** tab.
- Select the categories you want to place in your page.
- Once you are finished choosing sites, click **Done**. The data pushed to the other page will now appear on those sites with barrel icons next to the information instead of an Edit icon. This means that the information cannot be edited since it is pulled from another page. If the information is changed on the original page, it will subsequently change the information on your page.

Import


The Calendar page component also has an import feature providing an import template that will mass populate your Calendar page.

- To import information onto your page, first download the **Mass Data Import** template from our Support & Services site.
- Enter your information in the template.
- Once the template is filled out, click the **Import** option in the **Edit** drop-down menu while in Edit Mode.
- Click **Browse** to locate the template and then click **Upload File**.

You also have the option to add a header that contains an image and text to the Calendar page. For more on adding images and text, see the **Adding Pictures** and **Adding Text** sections of this manual.

Adding a New Event

- To add an event to your Calendar, click the **Add New Event** option located in the **Edit** drop-down menu while in Edit Mode.

	<p><i>For more information on adding text and using the ACE, see the Adding Text and Advanced Content Editor sections of this manual.</i></p>
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General

- Under the **General** tab, you can select the date of your event by either filling in the appropriate date in the space provided or by clicking the calendar icon and choosing a date from the date picker.

The screenshot shows the 'SchoolCenter' logo at the top. Below it is a tabbed interface with 'General' selected. The 'General' tab contains the following fields and buttons:

- Date:** A text box containing '07/01/06' and a small calendar icon to its right.
- Title:** A text box containing '(New Event)'.
- Text:** A large, empty text area for additional information.
- Buttons:** At the bottom of the tab are three buttons: 'Advanced Content Editor' (with a pencil icon), 'Check Spelling' (with a spell-check icon), and 'Preview' (with a magnifying glass icon).
- Footer Buttons:** Below the tabbed area are three buttons: 'New Event' (with a green plus icon), 'Done' (with a green checkmark icon), and 'Cancel' (with an orange minus icon).

Figure 9-6
New Event General Tab

- You can add the title of your event in the **Title** text box.
- You have a text box where you can add additional information. You also have the option to use the Advanced Content Editor.

Options

- Under the **Options** tab, you can choose to make your event either an all-day event, or you can enter in the start and end time for your event.
- You may also choose to either show or hide the last user to edit this item by clicking the corresponding button.

Styles

- Click the **Styles** tab to choose the alignment, font size, and font color.
- Select the **Border** box to open the border options. Select the desired border color from the Color Picker and border size from the drop-down menu.

Figure 9-7
Styles Tab

- Select the **Background Color** box to open the color options and choose the desired background color for this text field from the drop-down menu.
- Click the empty Color square in each to open the Color Picker.
- Move the cursor over the Color Picker and select the color by clicking in the desired color's circle. You will see your choice appear in the Color box.

Recurrences

- To make the event recurring, such as a weekly or monthly meeting, or a weekly test, click the **Recurrences** tab.
- Click **Make Event Span/Recur**.
- A new screen will open giving you the option to have your event recur. If your event occurs on specific weeks, choose from the weekly drop-down menu whether your event will occur one, two, three, or four weeks.

Figure 9-8
Recurrences

- Next, choose what day your event will recur on.
- Alternatively, if you have a recurring monthly event, you may choose from the drop-down menu whether your event recurs on the first, second, third, or fourth of every month.

Lunch Menu

Lunch Menu

The **Lunch Menu** component makes it very convenient for your district schools to post lunch and/or breakfast menus. Many of the same functions and options of the Calendar can be used in setting up a menu. For more information on setting up events and categories and choosing display options, see the Calendar section.

You also have the option to add a header that contains an image and text to the Lunch Menu page. For more on adding images and text, see the **Adding Pictures** and **Adding Text** sections of this manual.

Page Setting Options

The **Page Setting Options** for the Calendar and Lunch Menu components are the same.

- You can access the Calendar Page or Lunch Menu Page Settings by navigating to the page and then selecting page setting from the Edit drop-down menu. A new window will appear.

General

- In the **General** tab, your first option is the title of the page. You can rename the page in the text box next to **Page Title**.
- You have the option to password-protect this page while in View Mode.
- You can change the default appearance of your calendar by choosing from the **Default Events** drop-down menu. You can choose from **Today**, **Week**, **Month**, and **Upcoming** views.
- The next option is whether you would like to show the event details. Simply choose **Yes** or **No** from the drop-down menu.
- You can choose how many calendars (up to three) you want to appear next to your scheduled information.
- You can next choose what side of the page you want your information to appear as well as the page alignment.

Figure 9-11
General Tab

The screenshot shows the 'General' tab of the SchoolCenter configuration interface. The interface has a header with the 'SchoolCenter' logo and three tabs: 'General', 'Details', and 'Meta'. The 'General' tab is active, displaying various configuration options for a 'District Calendar'.

Configuration options include:

- Page Type**: District Calendar
- Page Title**: Lunch Menu
- Subdirectory**: (empty text box)
- ☐ Password protect this page in **View** mode
- Default Events**: Month
- Show Details**: No
- Number of Calendars**: 1
- Position on Page**: Side
- Alignment on Page**: (empty)
- Trim Color**: Page Title colors
- Use Background Colors**: No

A descriptive text for the 'Use Background Colors' option states: "Selecting 'Yes' to the option above will use the colors from your subtitle boxes on your homepage and display backgrounds around the toolbar and calendar on this component."

The **Navigation Buttons (Previous & Next)** section includes:

- Events Per Page**: 75
- Prev/Next Style**: Top & Bottom
- Show Page Numbers**: Yes

Additional checkboxes at the bottom include:

- ☒ Open details in new window
- ☐ Allow public to export
- ☐ Show 'Last Edited By' in Edit mode for events

A status message at the bottom right reads: "Page last modified on Mon, 18 Dec 2006 15:53:08 Central by admin admin".

At the bottom of the form are buttons for "Page Design", "Delete", "Done", and "Cancel". A "Done" button is also visible in the bottom-left corner of the window frame.

- The **Trim Color** option lets you choose between the Page Title Colors for your calendar or the Home Page Box colors.
- You can next choose whether or not to use background colors. Selecting **Yes** will use the colors from your subtitle boxes on your homepage and display backgrounds around the toolbar and calendar.
- Next, you may choose the number of events to be shown per page, where you want the placement of the **previous** and **next** links, and whether or not you want to show the page numbers.
- The last options under the General tab allow you to decide whether or not you want to have the details of the event open in a new window, if you want to allow the public to export this calendar, if you want to show **last Edited By** information and, finally, if you want to password-protect this page in View mode.

Details

- Under the **Details** tab, you have several options that have been explained in detail in the beginning of this chapter.
- You can select any or all of the following options: **Syndicate this page with RSS**,

Allow more than one picture and text box, Allow the public to subscribe to this page, Show Babel Fish translation box, Hide the Link in Navigation, Deny public access to the page, Make this page the homepage. If you want to move the page, you may click the scissors icon.

Figure 9-12
Details Tab



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General Details **Meta**

- ☐ Syndicate this page with RSS
- ☐ Allow more than one (1) **Add picture and text**
- ☐ Allow a separate image for each month
- ☐ Allow public to subscribe to this page
- ☐ Show Babel Fish language translation box
- ☐ Hide link in navigation
- ☐ Deny public access to **Lunch Menu**
- ☐ Make this page the homepage
- ☒ Move this page to another section

Page Design Delete Done Cancel

Done

Meta

- In the **Meta** tab, add keywords or phrases to your page's meta tags for Internet search engines. If these words are typed into the search engine, the search will include your site or page in the results.
- You can type words such as your school's name, your event, or anything else you think someone who is interested in your page might look under.
- Write a brief description of the page in the box provided.
- Click **Done** when you are finished with the Page Settings options.

Meetings and Agendas

Meetings and Agendas

The **Meetings and Agendas** component is an easy way to organize your meetings schedule and to post meeting agendas and minutes.

Share Data

A share feature has been built into the Meetings and Agendas page component so that information entered on these pages may be shared from classroom to district, school to classroom, and school to school. This allows you to enter information in one area and have it shared throughout the entire website.

- To share the data, you must be in Edit mode.
- While on the **Meetings and Agenda** page, choose the **Share Data** option from the **Edit** drop-down menu. This will open a new window with **Summary**, **Pull Data**, and **Push Data** tabs.

Summary

- The Summary tab shows the pages, if any, that data is being pulled or pushed from. You can change the pages by clicking the page name in the page summary. This will take you to the Pull tab or the Push tab where you can select or clear pages.

Pull Data

- Click the **Pull Data** tab to show a list of pages in your site.
- Navigate to the page you want to pull data from, and then select the categories you want to place in your page.
- Once you are finished choosing sites, click **Done**. The data pulled from the other page will now appear on the site with a barrels icon located next to the information instead of an Edit icon. This means that you will not be able to edit the information since it is pulled from another page. If the information is changed on the original page, it will subsequently change the information on your page.
- To remove the data from your page, click the **Pull Data** tab.
- Clear the check box and click **Done**. The data will then be removed from your page.

Figure 9-13
Pull Data

SchoolCenter

Summary | **Pull Data** | Push Data

Select the item(s) from this list that will be viewable on the current page.

- ☒ **Documentation - Version 7.5**
 - ☐ Administrative Departments
 - ☐ Doc Dept Schools
 - ☐ Meetings and Agendas
(opened component)
 - ☐ Schools List
 - ☒ What's New

Push Data

- To push data to another site, you must be a system administrator. This tab does the opposite of the Pull Data tab. Instead of taking information from another site, you are giving information, or pushing data, to other sites throughout the district. This can be used for district holiday schedules and other events you want to appear on other sites.
- Click the **Push Data** tab.
- Select the categories you want to place in your page.
- Once you are finished choosing sites, click **Done**. The data pushed to the other page will now appear on those sites with barrel icons located next to the information instead of an Edit icon. This means that the information cannot be edited since it is pulled from another page. If the information is changed on the original page, it will subsequently change the information on your page.

Figure 9-14
Push Data

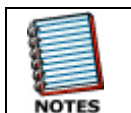
Import

The Meetings and Agendas page component also has an import feature with an import template that will mass populate your Meetings and Agendas page.

- To import information onto your page, first download the **Mass Data Import** template from our Support & Services site.
 - Enter your information in the template.
 - Once the template is completed, click the **Import** tab and then follow the on-screen instructions.

Adding a New Event

- To add an event to your Calendar, click the **Add New Event** option located in the **Edit** drop-down menu while in Edit Mode.



For more information on adding text and using the ACE, see the Adding Text and Advanced Content Editor sections of this manual.

General

- Under the **General** tab, you can select the date of your event by either filling in the appropriate date in the space provided or by clicking the calendar icon and choosing a date from the date picker.

Figure 9-15
New Events General Tab

The screenshot shows the 'New Event' form in the SchoolCenter application. The 'General' tab is selected. The form includes a 'Date' field with a calendar icon, a 'Title' field with the placeholder '(New Event)', and a large 'Text' area. At the bottom, there are buttons for 'Advanced Content Editor', 'Check Spelling', 'Preview', 'New Event', 'Done', and 'Cancel'.

- You can add the title of your event in the **Title** text box.
- You have a text box where you can add additional information. You also have the option to use the Advanced Content Editor.

Options

- Under the **Options** tab, you can choose to make your event either an all-day event, or you can enter in the start and end time for your event.

Figure 9-16
Options

The screenshot shows the 'Options' tab of the 'New Event' form. It features a 'Time' section with 'Start Showing On' and 'Stop Showing On' date pickers, and checkboxes for 'Start Showing Immediately' and 'Never Stop Showing'. Below this is an 'Author' section with a text box containing 'Currently Hiding the last user to edit this item.' and radio buttons for 'Show' and 'Hide'. At the bottom are buttons for 'New', 'Done', and 'Cancel'.

- You may also choose to either show or hide the last user to edit this item by clicking the corresponding button.

Styles

What's New

What's New

The **What's New** component allows you to post current news, events, and updates to your site on one page. The initial viewing defaults for visitors can be altered to either display the details or just the title of the new item (which doubles as a link to the details).

Share Data

A share feature has been built into the What's New page component so that information entered on these pages may be shared from classroom to district, school to classroom, and school to school. This allows you to enter information in one area and have it shared throughout the entire website.

- To share the data, you must be in Edit mode.
- While on the What's New page, choose the **Share Data** option in the **Edit** drop-down menu. This will open a new window with **Summary**, **Pull Data**, and **Push Data** tabs.

Summary

- The **Summary** tab shows the pages, if any, that data is being pulled or pushed from. You can change the pages by clicking the page name in the page summary. This will take you to the Pull tab or the Push tab, where you can select or clear pages.

Pull Data

- Click the **Pull Data** tab to show a list of pages in your site.
- Navigate to the page you want to pull data from and then select the categories you want to place in your page.
- Once you are finished choosing sites, click **Done**. The data pulled from the other page will now appear on the site with a barrels icon located next to the information instead of an Edit icon. This means that you will not be able to edit the information, since it is pulled from another page. If the information is changed on the original page, it will subsequently change the information on your page.
- To remove the data from your page, click the **Pull Data** tab.
- Clear the check box and click **Done**. The data will then be removed from your page.

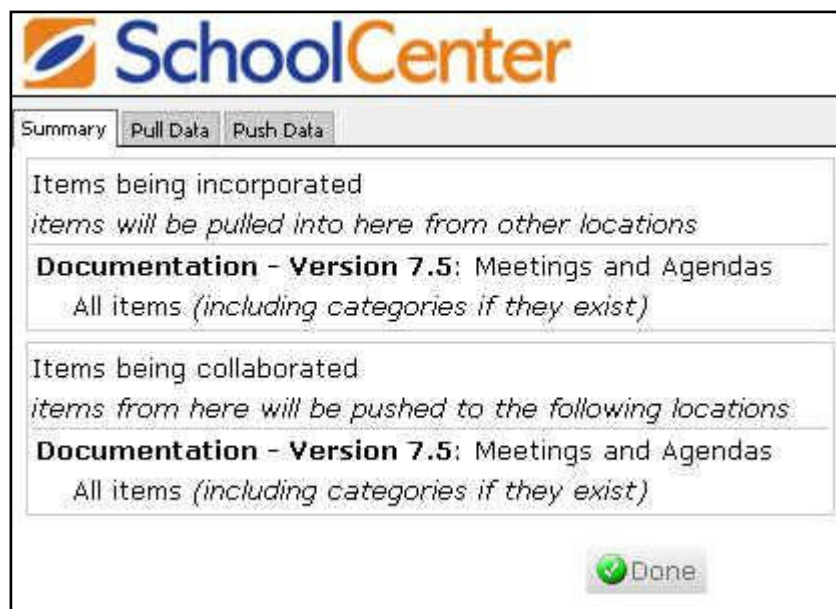


Figure 9-17
Summary Tab

Push Data

- This tab does the opposite of the Pull Data. To push data to another site, you must be a system administrator. Instead of taking information from another site, you are giving information, or pushing data, to other sites throughout the district. This can be used for **District** holiday schedules and other events you want to appear on other sites.
- Click the **Push Data** tab.
- Select the categories you want to place in your page.
- Once you are finished choosing sites, click **Done**. The data pushed to the other page will now appear on those sites with barrel icons located next to the information instead of an Edit icon. This means that the information cannot be edited, since it is pulled from another page. If the information is changed on the original page, it will subsequently change the information on your page.

Figure 9-18
Push Data



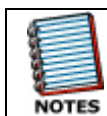
Import

The What's News page component also has an import feature with an import template that will mass populate your What's New page.

- To import information onto your page, first download the **Mass Data Import** template from our Support & Services site.
- Enter your information in the template.
- Once the template is completed, click the **Import** tab and then follow the on-screen instructions.

Adding a New Event

- To add an event to your What's New page, click the **Add New Event** option located in the **Edit** drop-down menu while in Edit mode.



*For more information on adding text and using the ACE, see the **Adding Text and Advanced Content Editor** sections of this manual.*

General

- Under the **General** tab, you can select the date of your event by either filling in the appropriate date in the space provided or by clicking the calendar icon and choosing a date from the date picker.

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General Options Styles Recurrences Categories Attachments

Date
07/01/06

Title
(New Event)

Text

Advanced Content Editor Check Spelling Preview

New Event Done Cancel

Figure 9-19
New Event General Tab

- You can add the title of your event in the **Title** text box.
- You have a text box where you can add additional information. You also have the option to use the Advanced Content Editor.

Options

- Under the **Options** tab, you can choose to make your event either an all-day event, or you can enter in the start and end time for your event.
- You may also choose to either show or hide the last user to edit this item by clicking the corresponding button.

Styles

- Click the **Styles** tab to choose the alignment, font size, and font color.
- Select the **Border** box to open the border options. Choose the desired border color from the Color Picker and border size from the drop-down menu.

Figure 9-20
Styles

The screenshot shows the 'SchoolCenter' interface with the 'Styles' tab selected. The 'Text Style' section includes options for Alignment (Left, Center, Right), Size (a dropdown menu showing '2'), Bold, and Italic checkboxes. There is a black color swatch for Font Color and a checkbox for 'Make text HTML friendly.'. Below this are checkboxes for 'Border' and 'Background Color'. At the bottom are 'New' and 'Delete' buttons with a plus icon, and 'Done' and 'Cancel' buttons with checkmark and minus icons respectively.

- Select the **Background Color** box to open the color options and choose the desired background color for this text field from the drop-down menu.
- Click the empty Color square in each to open the Color Picker.
- Move the cursor over the Color Picker and select the color by clicking in the desired color's circle. You will see your choice show up in the Color box.

Attachments

- In the **Attachments** tab, you can add an image, link, or file to your event by clicking the corresponding button. Follow the instruction as detailed in **Chapter 7 - Editing Your Webpage** for specific instructions on adding images, links and attachments.

Figure 9-21
Attachments

The screenshot shows the 'SchoolCenter' interface with the 'Attachments' tab selected. It features two sections: 'Links' and 'Files'. The 'Links' section has a table with columns 'Link', 'Open in a new window', and 'Delete'. It contains one entry with the URL 'http://www.schoolcenter.com' and a checked box for opening in a new window. Below the table is an 'Add Link' button. The 'Files' section has a table with columns 'Type', 'File', 'Size', and 'Delete'. It contains the text 'There are currently no files attached.' and an 'Add File' button. At the bottom are 'New' and 'Delete' buttons with a plus icon, and 'Done' and 'Cancel' buttons with checkmark and minus icons respectively.

Showing/Hiding Details

Visitors to your site have the option to show the details of the events by clicking **Show Details**. You can also hide the details to get a quick glance at all events by clicking **Hide Details**.

Contact Directory

Contact Directory

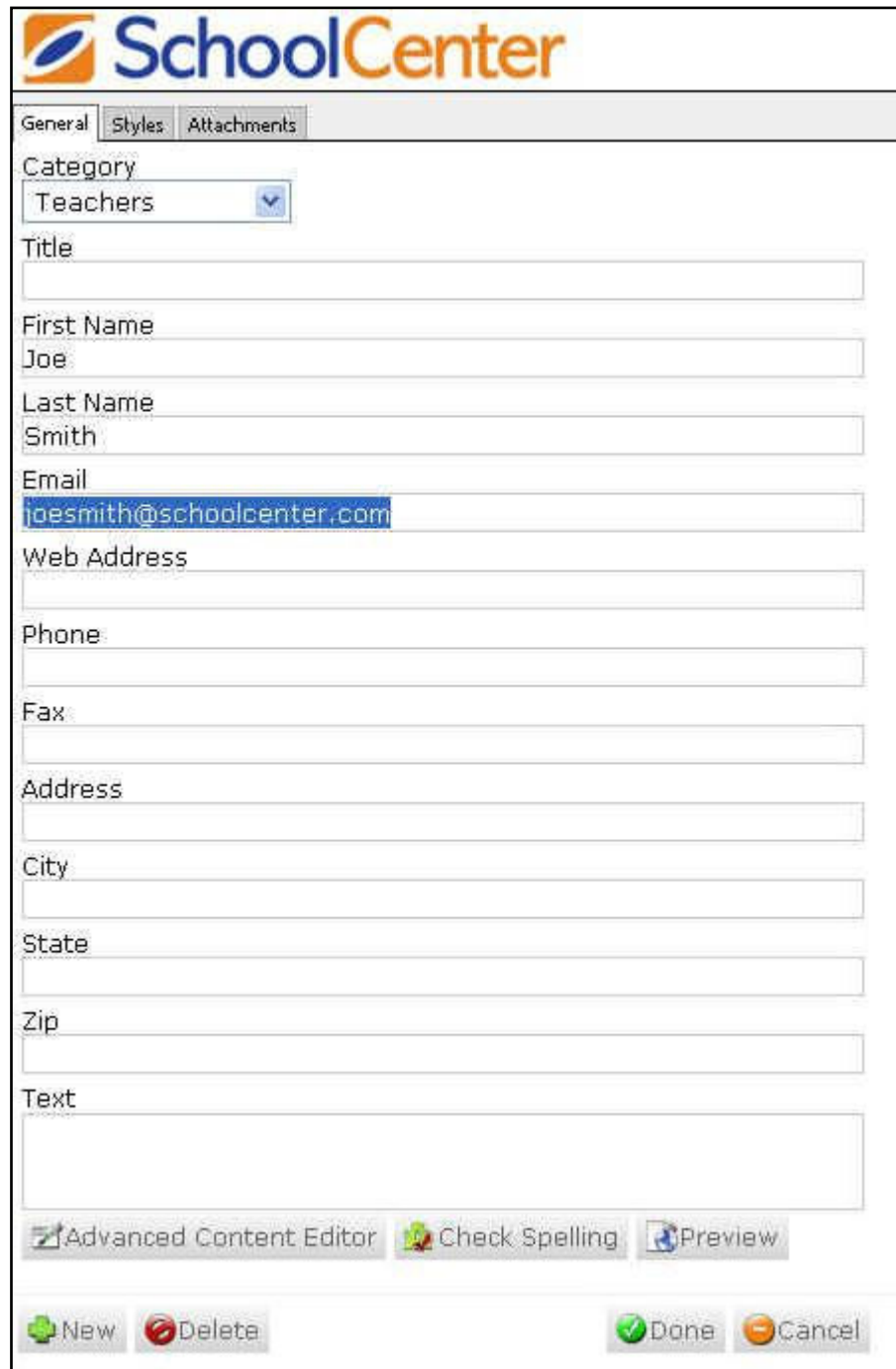
The **Contact Directory** allows you to list your administrators, teachers, and staff in an organized and attractive manner by creating categories. These categories list the district's personnel as well as provide direct email links.

Add a Category

- To add a category to your Contact Directory page, click the **Add New Directory** option in the Edit drop-down menu. The category link will be displayed on your site.
- To edit the category, click the **Edit** icon if in Legacy Mode. If in New Mode, choose the **Edit Directory** option.
- Add the information for the category in the pop-up window that opens.

General

- Under the **General** tab, you can add the title of your category in the **Title** text box.
- You have a text box where you can add additional information. You also have the option to use the Advanced Content Editor.



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General Styles Attachments

Category
Teachers

Title

First Name
Joe

Last Name
Smith

Email
joesmith@schoolcenter.com

Web Address

Phone

Fax

Address

City

State

Zip

Text

Advanced Content Editor Check Spelling Preview

New Delete Done Cancel

Figure 9-22
Contact Directory



Adding Contacts to Categories

- To add a contact to the category you have created, click the name of the category.
- A new window will open where you can choose the **Add New Contact** option from the Edit drop-down menu. This will display the words: **(No Name Entered) (New Item)**.
- Click the **Edit** icon if in Legacy Mode. In New Mode, click the edit icon to open the drop-down menu. Choose the **Edit Contact** option.



This feature is useful when moving contacts from category to category.

- A new window will open. Choose the contact's category from the drop-down menu.
- Enter the pertinent information for the contact in the text boxes provided. Once all the information has been entered, you can return to the main category page by clicking **Done**.

 NOTES	<p><i>Contacts will be listed by last name.</i></p>
 TIPS	<p><i>If you have specified in the Page Settings to not show email addresses, then this particular information will not be displayed.</i></p>

Styles

- Click the **Styles** tab to choose the alignment, font size, and font color.
- Select the **Border** box to open the border options. Choose the desired border color from the Color Picker and border size from the drop-down menu.
- Select the **Background Color** box to open the color options and choose the desired background color for this text field from the drop-down menu.
- Click the empty Color square in each to open the Color Picker.
- Move the cursor over the Color Picker and select the color by clicking in the desired color's circle. You will see your choice show up in the Color box.

Attachments

- In the **Attachments** tab, you can add an image, link, or file to your event by clicking the corresponding button. Follow the instruction as detailed in **Chapter 7 - Editing Your Webpage** for specific instructions on adding images, links and attachments.
- Once you have entered the information for the category, click **Done** to save it.

Contact Directory Sharing

Like the Calendar, the Contact Directory also includes a built-in share feature and an importing data feature. These features allow information to be entered in one area and shared throughout the entire website and allow information to be imported from other sources.

- To share the data, you must be in Edit mode.
- While on the Contact Directory page, choose the **Share Data** option from the **Edit** drop-down menu. This will open a new window with **Summary**, **Pull Data**, and **Push Data** tabs.

Summary

- The **Summary** tab shows the pages, if any, that data is being pulled or pushed from. You can change the pages by clicking the page name in the page summary. This will take you to the Pull tab or the Push tab, where you can select or clear pages.

Pull Data

- Click the **Pull Data** tab to show a list of pages in your site.
- Navigate to the page you want to pull data from, and then select the categories you want to place in your page.
- Once you are finished choosing sites, click **Done**. The data pulled from the other page will now appear on the site with a barrels icon located next to the information instead of an Edit icon. This means that you will not be able to edit the information, since it is pulled from another page. If the information is changed on the original page, it will subsequently change the information on your page.

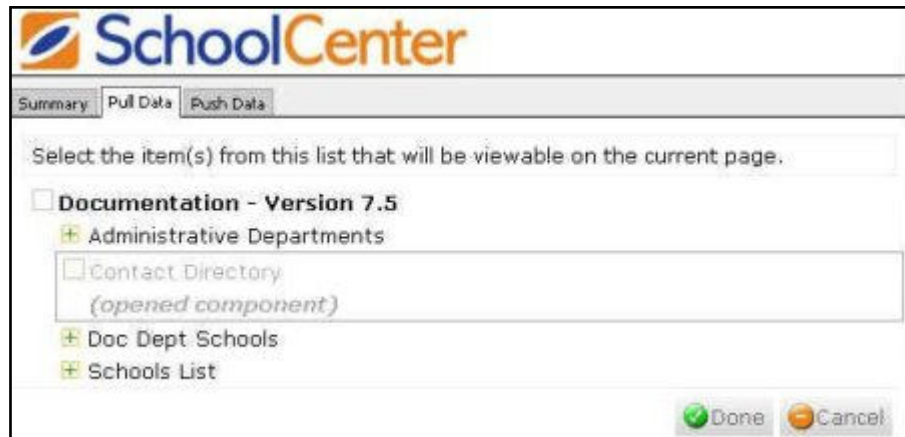


Figure 9-23
Show Other options

- To remove the data from your page, click the **Pull Data** tab.
- Clear the check box and click **Done**. The data will then be removed from your page.

Push Data

- This tab does the opposite of the **Pull Data** tab. To push data to another site, you must be a system Administrator. Instead of taking information from another site, you are giving information, or pushing data, to other sites throughout the district. This can be used for district holiday schedules, and other events you want to appear on other sites.
- Click the **Push Data** tab.
- Select the categories you want to place in your page.
- Once you are finished choosing sites, click **Done**. The data pushed to the other page will now appear on those sites with barrel icons located next to the information instead of an Edit icon. This means that the information cannot be edited, since it is pulled from another page. If the information is changed on the original page, it will subsequently change the information on your page.



Figure 9-24
Push Data

Importing Data

The Contact Directory page component also has an import feature with an import template that will mass populate your Contact Directory page.

- To import information onto your page, first download the **Mass Data Import** template from our Support & Services site.
- Enter information into the template.
- Once the template is completed, click the **Import** tab and then follow the on-screen instructions.

You also have the option to add a header that contains an image and text to the Contact Directory page. For more on adding images and text, see the **Adding Pictures** and **Adding Text** sections of this manual.

School Board

The **School Board** component provides a place to post important information about your district's school board on your district website. By posting information under categories that you create, the School Board component becomes an easy-to-use spot for visitors to learn more about your district's school board members.

Add a Category

- To add a category to your Contact Directory page, click the **Add New Directory** option in the Edit drop-down menu. The category link will be displayed on your site.
- To edit the category, click the **Edit** icon if in Legacy Mode. If in New Mode, choose the Edit Directory option.
- Add in the information for the category in the pop-up window that opens.



The screenshot shows a web form titled "SchoolCenter" with a logo. Below the title are three tabs: "General", "Styles", and "Attachments". The "General" tab is active. It contains two input fields: "Title" with the placeholder text "(New Category)" and "Text" with the placeholder text "This is a new category.". Below the text field is a large empty text area. At the bottom of the form are several buttons: "Advanced Content Editor", "Check Spelling", "Preview", "New", "Delete", "Done", and "Cancel". A status bar at the very bottom shows a "Done" button.

Figure 9-25
New Category General Tab

General

- Under the **General** tab, you can add the title of your category in the **Title** text box.
- You have a text box where you can add additional information. You also have the option to use the Advanced Content Editor.


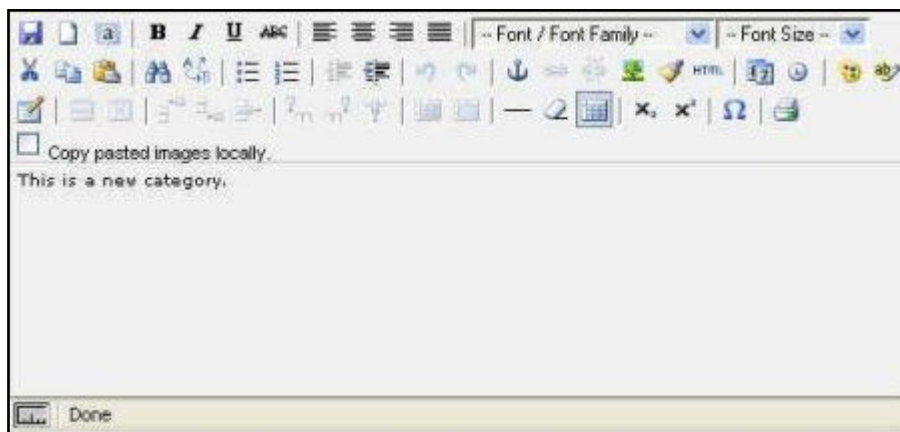

	<p><i>For more information on adding text and using the ACE, see the Adding Text and Advanced Content Editor sections of this manual.</i></p>
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Figure 9-26
Advanced Content Editor





Adding Contacts to Categories

- To add a contact to the category you have created, click the name of the category.
- A new window will open where you can choose the **Add New Contact** option from the Edit drop-down menu. This will display the words: **(No Name Entered) (New Item)**.
- Click the **Edit** icon if in Legacy Mode. In New Mode, click the edit icon to open the drop-down menu. Choose the **Edit Contact** option.

	<p><i>This is useful when moving contacts from category to category.</i></p>
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- A new window will open. Choose the contact's category from the drop-down menu.
- Enter the pertinent information for the contact in the text boxes provided. Once all the information has been entered, you can return to the main category page by clicking **Done**.

	<p><i>Contacts will be listed by last name.</i></p>
	<p><i>If you have specified in the Page Settings to not show email addresses, then this particular information will not be displayed.</i></p>

Styles

- Click the **Styles** tab to choose the alignment, font size, and font color.
- Select the **Border** box to open the border options and choose the desired border color from the Color Picker and border size from the drop-down menu.
- Select the **Background Color** box to open the color options and choose the desired

background color for this text field from the drop-down menu.

- Click the empty Color square in each to open the Color Picker.
- Move the cursor over the Color Picker and select the color by clicking in the desired color's circle. You will see your choice show up in the Color box.

Attachments

- In the **Attachments** tab, you can add an image, link, or file to your event by clicking the corresponding button. Follow the instruction as detailed in **Chapter 7 - Editing Your Webpage** for specific instructions on adding images, links, and attachments.
- Once you have entered the information for the category, click **Done** to save it.



Figure 9-27
Attachments Tab

Page Settings

Page Settings options for both the **School Board** component as well as the **Contact Directory** component are the same.

- To access Page Setting, navigate to your School Board or Contact Directory page and click the **Edit** drop-down menu.
- Choose Page Settings from the listing of options. A new window will open.

General

- Under the **General** tab in the new window, you can name your page in the text box provided.

Figure 9-28
Page Settings



The screenshot shows the 'General' tab of the 'Page Settings' dialog box in the SchoolCenter application. The dialog has a title bar with the SchoolCenter logo. Below the title bar are two tabs: 'General' (selected) and 'Details'. The 'General' tab contains the following settings:

- Page Type**: Contact Directory
- Page Title**: Contact Directory
- Listing Display**: Aligned Left
- ☐ Show email addresses
- ☐ Show alphabetical index
- ☐ Password protect this page in **View** mode

At the bottom of the dialog are four buttons: 'Page Design' (with a pencil icon), 'Delete' (with a red X icon), 'Done' (with a green checkmark icon), and 'Cancel' (with an orange circle icon).

- Next, you can choose to give the page a subdirectory. Type the name of the subdirectory listing.
- You can choose to password-protect this page while in View Mode.
- You are now given the options to show email addresses for those listed in your contact directory or school board, as well as the option to show an alphabetical index.
- You have the option to allow the public to export the contact information.
- Finally, the General tab is where you can password-protect the page.

Details

- Under the **Details** tab, you have the following options: **Allow more than one picture and text box**, **Allow the public to subscribe to the page**, **Show a Babel Fish translation box**, **Hide the link in your navigation**, **Deny public access to this page**, **Make this page the homepage**, and **Move the page to another section**.

Figure 9-29
Details



The screenshot shows the 'Details' tab of the 'Page Settings' dialog box in the SchoolCenter application. The dialog has a title bar with the SchoolCenter logo. Below the title bar are two tabs: 'General' and 'Details' (selected). The 'Details' tab contains the following settings:

- ☐ Allow more than one (1) **Add picture and text**
- ☐ Allow public to subscribe to this page
- ☐ Show Babel Fish language translation box
- ☐ Hide link in navigation
- ☐ Deny public access to **Contact Directory**
- ☐ Make this page the homepage
- ☒ Move this page to another section

At the bottom of the dialog are four buttons: 'Page Design' (with a pencil icon), 'Delete' (with a red X icon), 'Done' (with a green checkmark icon), and 'Cancel' (with an orange circle icon).

- If you require more information on the Page Settings option, please refer to the Page Setting section in the beginning of this chapter.

Meta


- In the **Meta** tab, add keywords or phrases to your page's meta tags for Internet search engines. If these words are typed into the search engine, the search will include your site or page in the results.
- You can type words such as your school's name, your event, or anything else you think someone who is interested in your page might look under.
- Write a brief description of the page in the box provided.
- Click **Done** when you are finished with the Page Settings options.

Figure 9-30
Meta Tab

The screenshot shows the 'SchoolCenter' logo at the top. Below it is a tabbed interface with four tabs: 'General', 'Details', 'Meta', and 'Layouts'. The 'Meta' tab is currently selected. It contains two text input fields: 'Page Keywords' and 'Page Description'. At the bottom of the window, there are four buttons: 'Page Design' (with a pencil icon), 'Delete' (with a red circle and X icon), 'Done' (with a green checkmark icon), and 'Cancel' (with an orange circle and X icon). A status bar at the very bottom shows a small icon and the word 'Done'.

Layouts

- The **Layout** tab gives you three options for listing your contact information. Within each option you can choose the number of columns you want to appear on your page.
- Choose the **Vertical Layout** if you want contacts to appear vertically down the page. You may specify the number of columns to divide the contacts into by selecting your option from the drop-down menu.
- Choose the **Horizontal Layout** to list contacts horizontally across the page. You may specify the number of columns to divide the contacts into by selecting your option from the drop-down menu.
- Choose the **Staggered Layout** to alternate the position of contacts from left to right as they are listed down the page. This option does not give you the option for multiple columns.
- Once you have chosen the Layout for your page, click **Done**.
- Pages can be deleted from Page Settings by clicking **Delete**.




General Details Meta **Layouts**

Vertical Layout

This layout lists contacts vertically down the page. You may specify the number of columns to divide the contacts into below.

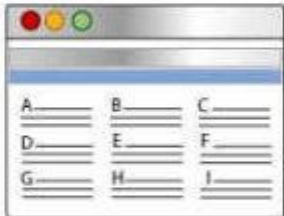
Number of columns:



Horizontal Layout


This layout lists contacts horizontally across the page. You may specify the number of columns to divide the contacts into below.

Number of columns:



Staggered Layout

This layout alternates the position of contacts from left to right as they are listed down the page.







 Page Design  Delete  Done  Cancel

Figure 9-31
Layouts Tab

Contact Form

Contact Form & Custom Form Page

The Contact Form is an easy way for visitors to your page to contact you. The contents of the form can either be emailed to you or saved on your site.

- To start using the contact form, navigate to the page and choose **Page Settings** from the **Edit** drop-down menu.

General

- By adding your email address to the Page Settings in the **General** tab, you create the standard Contact Form. People can now contact you without you revealing your Email Address.
- Once you click **View Page**, you can view your page as your visitors would.
- When a visitor to your site has filled out the contact form, they can click **Send Now** and the contents of the form will be emailed or stored, depending on your Page Settings.

The screenshot shows the 'General' tab of the 'Contact Form' settings in the SchoolCenter interface. The 'General' tab is selected, and the 'Details' tab is also visible. The settings are as follows:

- Page Type**: Contact Form
- Page Title**: Contact Form
- Email Address**: help@schoolcenter.com
- Storage Options**: Store data (selected from a drop-down menu)
- Email Options**: Email - Content of Message (selected from a drop-down menu)
- ☒ Password protect this page in **View** mode
- Username**: (empty text box)
- Password**: (empty text box)

At the bottom of the form, there are four buttons: 'Page Design' (with a pencil icon), 'Delete' (with a red X icon), 'Done' (with a green checkmark icon), and 'Cancel' (with an orange X icon).

Figure 9-32
Contact Form General
Tab

- Also, under the General tab, you can change the name of your Contact Form page by entering text in the corresponding text box.
- Next, choose the storage options for the form. From the drop-down menu you can choose **Store data** or **Do not store data**.
- When someone has filled out the contact form, you can choose how you want to be notified. From the drop-down menu you can choose to have the contents of the form emailed to you, notification of a form emailed to you, or no notification.
- Your final option under the Contact Form is to choose whether or not you want to password-protect the page.

Details

- Under the **Details** tab, you have the following options: **Allow more than one picture and text**, **Allow the public to subscribe to the page**, **Show Babel Fish translation box**, **Hide the link in your navigation**, **Deny public access to this page**, **Make this page the homepage**, or **Move the page to another section**.

- If you require more information on the Page Settings Option, please refer to the Page Setting section in the beginning of this chapter.

Meta

- In the **Meta** tab, add keywords or phrases to your page's meta tags for Internet search engines. If these words are typed into the search engine, the search will include your site or page in the results.
- You can type words such as your school's name, your event, or anything else you think someone who is interested in your page might look under.
- Write a brief description of the page in the box provided.
- Click **Done** when you are finished with the Page Settings options.

Figure 9-33
Meta Tags

The screenshot shows the 'SchoolCenter' web application interface. At the top is the 'SchoolCenter' logo. Below it is a tabbed interface with three tabs: 'General', 'Details', and 'Meta'. The 'Meta' tab is currently selected. Inside the 'Meta' tab, there are two text input fields. The first is labeled 'Page Keywords' and contains the text 'Contact, Form, Contact Form'. The second is labeled 'Page Description' and contains the text 'Get in touch with District of Quality'. At the bottom of the window, there are four buttons: 'Page Design' (with a pencil icon), 'Delete' (with a red 'X' icon), 'Done' (with a green checkmark icon), and 'Cancel' (with an orange 'X' icon).

- On the Contact Form page you also have the option to add a header that contains a picture and text. For more on adding pictures and text, view **Adding Pictures and Adding Text** in **Chapter 7 - Editing Your Webpage**.

Checking stored contact form messages

- To check your stored contact form messages, click the **Edit** drop-down menu and then click the **Read Message** option.
- The **Read Message (#)** option will contain list of messages. If the form has been filled out on multiple days, the dates will be listed, and you can click the date to see the messages for that date.
- To delete a message, click **Delete**, or click the **Purge All** option in the Edit drop-down menu to remove all the messages.

Exporting Messages

- You can export all of your saved Contact Form messages by clicking the **Export** option in the Edit drop-down menu. The contents of the messages will be placed into a comma-separated form.
- You also have the option to add a header that contains an image and text to the Contact Form page.
- For more on adding images and text, see the **Adding Pictures and Adding Text** in **Chapter 7 - Editing Your Webpage**.

Creating a Custom Contact Form

Create a Custom Form

As a customized version of the Contact Form, the **Create a Custom Form** allows you to create a form for particular needs or for particular purposes, such as a field trip or questionnaire.

- To create a custom form, click the **Create Form** option from the Edit drop-down menu.
- You can begin building your custom form by clicking the **Add to Form** link.
- Select a form option from the left side of the window, and then click the **Add to Form** link.
- The options listed on the left are: text input, text area, radio button, radio button with other, check box, select list, note field, line break, page break, formal name, phone number, address, state list, school list, year list, date, time, gender, option ranking. To add one of these options to your form, click the green + button located next to the option you want to add.

Figure 9-34
Create Custom Form

The screenshot shows the 'SchoolCenter' interface for creating a custom form. On the left, a vertical list of form components is available: Text Input, Text Area, Radio Button, Radio Button with Other, Check Box, Select List, Note Field, Line Break, Page Break, Formal Name, Phone Number, Address, State List, School List, Year List, Date, Time, and Gender. Each item has a green plus icon next to it. The main panel is titled 'Options for the Text Input Box Form Object'. It contains several configuration fields: 'Title' (with a text input field), 'Title Location' (radio buttons for 'Left Side' and 'Above'), 'Width' (a dropdown menu set to '15'), 'Initial Text' (a text input field), 'Email' (checkbox), 'Reply Address' (checkbox), 'Required' (radio buttons for 'Yes' and 'No'), 'Text Style' (a sub-panel with 'Alignment' radio buttons for 'Left', 'Center', and 'Right'; 'Size' dropdown set to '2'; 'Bold' and 'Italic' checkboxes; and 'Font Color' with a black color box), 'Border' (checkbox), and 'Background Color' (checkbox). At the bottom of the main panel is an 'Add to Form' button. In the bottom right corner of the window is a 'Preview your form' link.

- Enter the necessary information for each option you choose to add to your form.
- The **Text Styles** box allows you to choose the alignment, font size, and font color.
- Select the **Border** box to open the border options. Choose the desired border color from the Color Picker and border size from the drop-down menu.
- Select the **Background Color** box to open the color options and choose the desired background color for this text field from the drop-down menu.
- Click the empty Color square in each to open the Color Picker.
- Move the cursor over the Color Picker and select the color by clicking in the desired color's circle. You will see your choice show up in the Color box.
- Continue until you have added all the elements you want to your custom form.
- You can preview your form at any time by clicking the **Preview your form** link.
- When you are ready to save your form, click the **Preview your form** link, then click the


Save your form (finish) link. Your custom form will then be placed on your page.

You have the option to add a header that contains an image and text to the Create a Custom Form page. For more on adding images and text, see the **Adding Pictures** and **Adding Text** sections of this manual.

Document Manager

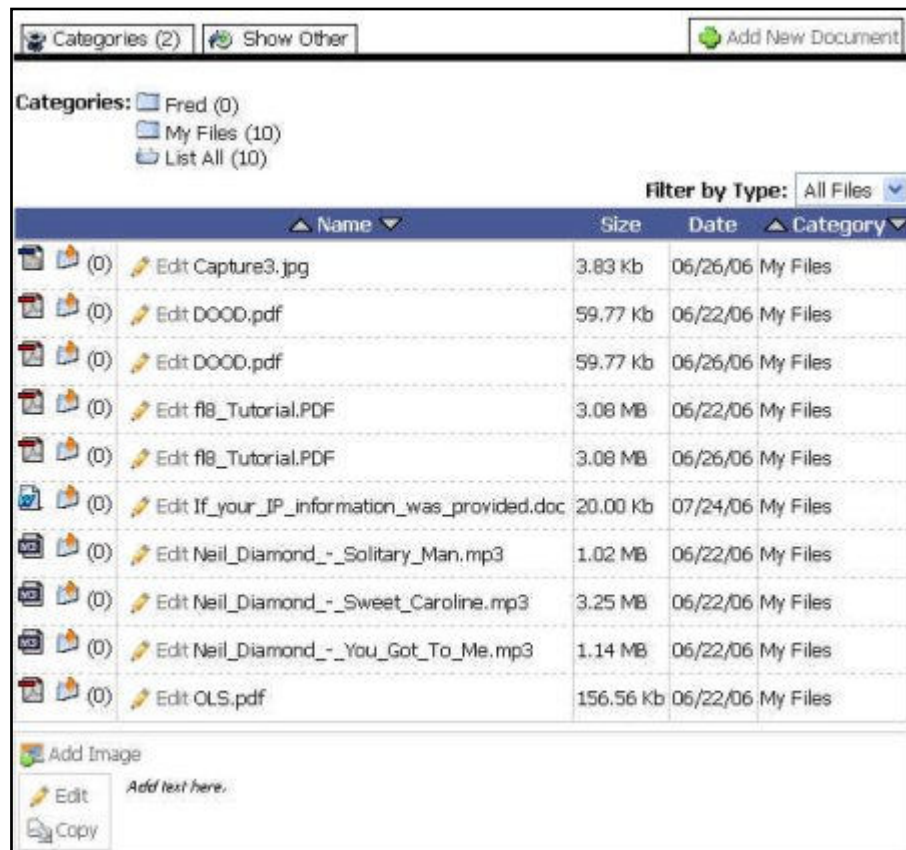
Document Manager

The Document Manager feature allows you to upload files to your site that you want to make available for download to your visitors. Anything from student work to permission slips to homework assignments can be posted here for easy visitor access.



Files on floppy disks or CD-ROM disks must first be placed on the hard-drive before being uploaded.

Figure 9-35
Document Managers



Adding a Category

- To add a category to your Document Manager page, click the **Manage Categories** option in the **Edit** drop-down menu from your Document Manager page.
- Click **Add New** in the pop-up window that opens.
- You have a text box where you can add the category title. Type the title of your new category.
- The next option is to choose whether or not you want your category to have a Parent category. For example, if you are posting homework assignments, you can create a category called "Homework." "Homework" would be the parent. You can then add categories such as, "English," "Math," and other subjects with "Homework" being the Parent category. This will create different document directories on your documents page.
- The description is the next field. You also have the option to use the Advanced Content Editor to fill out the category description.

Styles

- Click the **Styles** tab to choose the alignment, font size, and font color.
- Select the **Border** box to open the border options. Choose the desired border color from the Color Picker and border size from the drop-down menu.
- Select the **Background Color** box to open the color options and choose the desired background color for this text field from the drop-down menu.
- Click the empty Color square in each to open the Color Picker.
- Move the cursor over the Color Picker and select the color by clicking in the desired color's circle. You will see your choice show up in the Color box.

Attachments

- In the **Attachments** tab, you can add an image, link, or file to your event, by clicking the corresponding button. Follow the instruction as detailed in **Chapter 7 - Editing Your Webpage** for specific instructions on adding images, links and attachments.

Figure 9-36
Attachments



- Once you have entered the information for the category, click **Done** to save it.



For more information on adding text and using the ACE, see the Adding Text and Advanced Content Editor sections of this manual.

Adding a File

- To add a file to the Document Manager, click the **Add New Document** option under the **Edit** drop-down menu.
- A new window will open. You have three options for uploading documents: **Enhanced Mode**, **Standard Mode**, and **Remote File**.

Standard Mode

- To use **Standard Mode**, click **Standard Mode** and then click **Select Upload Method**.
- To add a document from your computer, click **Browse**.
- Select the document file you want to add by double-clicking it.
- Click **Upload file**.
- After your file uploads, you can browse for another file or click **Done**.
- You can change your file name in the text box provided.
- Choose the category you want to place the file in by selecting the correct category from the drop-down menu.
- If you no longer want this document uploaded, you can select the **Delete** option.
- You can enter a description of your document by clicking the edit icon in the description field and entering your description in the pop-up window.
- Click **Done** to save your changes.

Enhanced Mode

- To add files using **Enhanced Mode**, you will need to have Java™.

- Click the **Add New Document** from the **Edit** drop-down menu.
- Click the **Enhanced Mode** option and then click **Select Upload Method**.
- To add files, you can click **Add** in the new window to open a file browser to select individual or multiple files. After you have selected your files from the browser click **Open**. Alternatively, you can open a file browser.
- Once you have opened the browser and navigated to the files you want to add, simply drag and drop them into the **SchoolCenter** window.
- Once you have dragged and dropped the files you are adding to your page, click **Done**.
- In the new window, you can change your file name in the text box provided.
- Choose the category you want to place the file by selecting the correct category from the drop-down menu.
- If you no longer want this document uploaded, you can select the **Delete** option.
- You can enter in a description of your document by clicking the edit icon in the description field and entering your description in the pop-up window.
- Once you click, your files will be added to your page.

Remote Mode

- To add files using **Remote Mode**, click **Add New Document** from the **Edit** drop-down menu.
- Click the **Remote File** option.
- Click **Select Upload Method** and a new window will open.

Figure 9-37
Remote File Link

General

- Under the **General** tab, you can first select the category that best applies to your document from the drop-down menu.
- In the text box for file location, enter in the web address of your remote file. To obtain the address of the remote file, you can right-click the file and select copy link location. Once you are uploading it to your page, simply select paste by right-clicking over the text box, or clicking **Ctrl+V**.
- You can then fill out the document's name and a description of the file.

Options

- Under the **Options** tab, you choose whether or not to show the date the document was added.

Styles

- Under the **Styles** tab, you can select options for the text, such as font size, alignment, color, bold, italics, underlined, etc.
- You have the option to make the text HTML friendly, which means that any code you enter as text will be applied after you save your entry.

Figure 9-38
Styles



- When you have finished choosing the style of your text, click **Done**. Your linked document will be shown in View Mode.

Once files have been uploaded into the Document Manager, you can sort the order in which they appear.

- To do this, click the arrows next to the header you want to sort in ascending or descending order.



There are 350 acceptable file types. For a complete list, visit our [Support & Services website](#). File sizes are limited to 10mb each.

Like the Calendar and the Contact Directory, the Document Manager also includes a built-in share feature and an importing data feature. These features allow information to be entered in one area and shared throughout the entire website and allows information to be imported from other sources.

Podcast

- To add files for podcast, click **Page Settings** and then select the **Advanced** tab.
- Click the box next to **Enable Podcast Support** and then click **Done**. Podcast settings will appear as a tab when you are in Edit mode.
- To edit your podcast setting, click the **Podcast** tab to enter in your information. You must fill out the information in settings for the podcast files to be accessible.
- Once the setting information has been completed, two options for subscribing to podcast will appear. One is a link for a subscription to the podcast and the other is a link to subscribe through iTunes.
- To copy the location, right-click the podcast icon and copy. There is a 10mb limit to the files that can be stored in a document manager.

Upload files for podcast the same way you would for documents.

School Policies

School Policies

The School Policies component allows you to set up policy categories and post documents under those categories for your site visitors to download.



Files on floppy disks or CD-ROM disks must first be placed on the hard-drive before being uploaded.

Adding a Category

- To add a category to your Document Manager page, click the **Manage Categories** option in the **Edit** drop-down menu from your Document Manager page.
- Click **Add New** in the pop-up window that opens.
- You have a text box where you can add the category title. Type the title of your new category.
- The next option is to choose whether or not you want your category to have a Parent category. For example, if you are posting homework assignments, you can create a category called "Homework." "Homework" would be the parent. You could add categories, such as "English," "Math," and other subjects with "Homework" being the Parent category. This will create different document directories on your documents page.
- The description is the next field. You also have the option to use the Advanced Content Editor to fill out the category description.



*For more information on adding text and using the ACE, see the **Adding Text** and **Advanced Content Editor** sections of this manual.*

Adding a File

- Adding a file for School Policies operates the same as adding a file for the Document Manager. For a detailed list of instructions on adding a document, look at the Document Manager portion of this manual, in **Chapter 10 - Page Components**, which is the page component explained immediately prior to this one.

Once files have been uploaded into the Document Manager, you can then sort the order in which they appear. To do this, enter numbers in the Sort column of the manager and then click **Sort**.



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Like the Calendar and the Contact Directory, the School Policies page also includes a built-in share feature and an importing data feature. These features allow information to be entered in one area and shared throughout the entire website and allow information to be imported from other sources.

You also have the option to add a header that contains an image and text to the School Policy page. For more on adding images and text, see the **Adding Pictures** and **Adding Text** sections of this manual.

Page Settings

The Page settings for the Document Manager and School Policies is the same.

- To access Page Settings, simply select **Page Settings** from the **Edit** drop-down menu. A new window will open.
- In the **General** tab, you can change the name of your page by typing the title you want in the **Page Title** text box.
- You can enter a Subdirectory title and password-protect the page while in View mode.
- Next, you can choose how you would like your categories sorted. You have the options of sorting via alphabetical order or reverse alphabetical order in the corresponding drop-down menu.

Figure 9-39
General Tab

The screenshot shows the 'SchoolCenter' logo at the top. Below it are two tabs: 'General' (selected) and 'Details'. The 'General' tab contains the following settings:

- Page Type**: School Policies
- Page Title**: School Policies
- Category Sort Order**: Reverse Alphabetical (dropdown menu)
- ☐ Hide other categories when viewing a category
- ☐ Show descriptions on hover
- ☐ Enable podcast support
- ☐ Password protect this page in **View** mode

At the bottom, there are four buttons: 'Page Design' (with a pencil icon), 'Delete' (with a red X icon), 'Done' (with a green checkmark icon), and 'Cancel' (with an orange X icon).

- You are given four additional options in the **General** tab.
- You can choose to hide other categories when you are viewing a category.
- You can choose to show the descriptions of the documents when the cursor is hovered over them.
- You can choose to enable podcast support.
- You can choose to have this page password protected while in View mode.

Details

- In the **Details** tab, you have many of the same options as in earlier pages. They are as follows: **Syndicate this page with RSS**, **Allow more than one picture and text**, **Allow the public to subscribe to this page**, **Show Babel Fish translation**, **Hide link in navigation**, **Deny public access to the page**, **Make this page the homepage**, and **Move this page to another a section**. These options are all explained in greater detail in the beginning of this chapter.

Figure 9-40
Details Tab

SchoolCenter

General Details

- ☐ Syndicate this page with RSS
- ☐ Allow more than one (1) **Add picture and text**
- ☐ Allow public to subscribe to this page
- ☐ Show Babel Fish language translation box
- ☐ Hide link in navigation
- ☐ Deny public access to **School Policies**
- ☐ Make this page the homepage
- ☒ Move this page to another section

Page Design Delete Done Cancel

Meta

- In the **Meta** tab, add keywords or phrases for your page's meta tags for Internet search engines. If these words are typed into the search engine, the search will include your site or page in the results.
- You can type words such as your school's name, your event, or anything else you think someone who is interested in your page might look under.
- Write a brief description of the page in the box provided.
- Click **Done** when you are finished with the Page Settings options.

Boards

Visitors to your site can use **Boards** to discuss and reply to threaded discussions. Boards are useful for such things as collecting community opinions on important issues, showing pride for school sports teams, and asking questions of teachers and administrators. There are three different board options in **SchoolCenter WebTools**. You can have a **Blog**, a **Board**, or a **Guestbook**.

In addition, to keep unwanted content from appearing on your website, the boards can be set up so that any post to the board has to be approved by you. You can also choose to allow anonymous users to view the board or post to the board. Much of the information for all three types of boards is the same.

Adding Categories

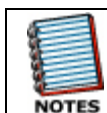
Categories separate out your boards more clearly. They show what the boards will be about in a general capacity.

- To add a category to your Board page, click the **Manage Categories** option from the **Edit** drop-down menu. A new window will open.
- Click **New**.
- In the new window, enter the title of the new category, and then click **Done** to save the category. The new category will be displayed.
- You can choose to add more categories by clicking the **New** button again and repeating the steps listed above.
- If have added all of the categories you would like, click **Done** to save your information and return to your page.

Figure 9-41
Board Categories



- To edit any category, click the **Edit** button to the left of the Forum title bar and choose the category you want to edit from the drop-down menu provided.



*For more information on adding text and using the ACE, see the **Adding Text and Advanced Content Editor** sections of this manual.*

Adding boards

You can post more than one board on the board page at any time. The boards are the main topic area, where threads pertaining to the board are contained. For each board you create, you need to select viewing and posting options.

- To add a new board, click the **Add New board** option in the **Edit** drop-down menu.

General

- Choose a category from the drop-down menu in the **General** tab of the new window


that opens.

- Type a title for your new board, and enter in a description in the corresponding text boxes.

Options

- In the **Options** tab, you can choose to allow anonymous users to view the board. If you choose not to allow anonymous users to view the board, only users signed into the SchoolCenter software with a user ID and password will be able to view the board. Anonymous users will not be able to see the board.
- You also can choose to allow anonymous users to post to the board. If you choose not to allow anonymous users to post to the board, only signed in users will be able to post the board. Anonymous users will not be able to post to the board unless this option is selected.
- Once you are finished making selecting your options, click **Done**.

You also have the option to add a header that contains an image and text to the board page. For more on adding images and text, see the **Adding Pictures and Adding Text** sections of this manual.

	<p><i>You must select viewing options for each board you create. If you do not select Allow anonymous users to view the board than only users signed into the SchoolCenter software with a user ID and password will be able to view the board.</i></p>
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Adding Threads to Categories

A thread is a set of posts on a board, composed of an initial post about a topic and all responses to it.

- To add a thread to the category you have created, click the name of the category link.
- Click the new thread link. A new window will open.

General

- In the **General** tab, your sign in name will automatically appear, or you can fill in a different name in the corresponding text box.
- Enter in the title of the new thread in the corresponding text box.
- You can choose where you would like your new thread to appear by choosing from the categories listed in the Board drop-down menu.
- Next, you are given the option of choosing what type of thread this will be. From the drop-down menu, you can choose **normal**, **sticky**, or **announcement**. While **normal** threads can be posted by anyone, a **sticky** or **announcement** thread can be created by page owners. These threads will remain at the beginning of the board until the user decides to change it.

The screenshot shows the 'General' tab of the SchoolCenter web interface. At the top is the 'SchoolCenter' logo. Below it are two tabs: 'General' (selected) and 'Styles'. The form contains the following fields and controls:

- Name:** A text input field containing 'Joe Smith'.
- Title:** A text input field containing 'Homework Due Dates'.
- Board:** A dropdown menu with 'Board One' selected.
- Type:** A dropdown menu with 'Normal' selected.
- Status:** A dropdown menu with 'Normal' selected.
- Message:** A large text area for entering a message.

At the bottom of the form are three buttons: 'Advanced Content Editor' (with a pencil icon), 'Check Spelling' (with a spell-check icon), and 'Preview' (with a globe icon). Below these are three action buttons: 'Done' (green checkmark), 'Cancel' (orange circle with a minus sign), and 'Save' (blue circle with a checkmark).

Figure 9-42
Board General Tab

- The next option you have for the thread is choosing between **normal** and **locked**. A **normal** thread is open for others to post comments. A **locked** thread will allow online board administrators the option of posting. Sometimes if a thread wanders off topic, or becomes continually inappropriate, it is necessary to lock it to prevent further postings. The thread will then no longer be posted on. Since the newest postings appear first, the locked thread will eventually be the last thread in the queue.
- Enter your message in the text box provided or choose the Advanced Content Editor for more options, such as font colors, sizes, and alignments. The Advanced Content Editor can also be used to add links and images. For more information on **SchoolCenter WebTools** Advance Content Editor, see **Chapter 7 - Editing Your Webspace** for a detailed description of the various options listed under the Advanced Content Editor.

Styles

- Click the **Styles** tab to choose the alignment, font size, and font color.
- Select the **Border** box to open the border options. Choose the desired border color from the Color Picker and border size from the drop-down menu.
- Select the **Background Color** box to open the color options and choose the desired background color for this text field from the drop-down menu.

Figure 9-43
Board Styles Tab

The screenshot shows the 'SchoolCenter' logo at the top. Below it are two tabs: 'General' and 'Styles', with 'Styles' being the active tab. The 'Text Style' section contains the following options:

- Alignment:** Three radio buttons for 'Left' (selected), 'Center', and 'Right'.
- Size:** A dropdown menu showing '2'.
- Bold:** An unchecked checkbox.
- Italic:** An unchecked checkbox.
- Font Color:** A black color square.
- Make text HTML friendly:** An unchecked checkbox.

Below the 'Text Style' section are two more options, each with an unchecked checkbox:

- Border:** A checkbox.
- Background Color:** A checkbox.

At the bottom right of the window are three buttons: 'Done' (with a green checkmark icon), 'Cancel' (with an orange circle icon), and 'Save' (with a blue checkmark icon).

- Click the empty Color square in each to open the Color Picker.
- Move the cursor over the Color Picker and select the color by clicking in the desired color's circle. You will see your choice show up in the Color box.
- Click **Done** to save and post the new thread.

Posting a Message

- To post a message, click the **Post Reply** link. A new window will open.

General

- Posting a message is simpler than starting a thread because you have fewer options. Under the **General** tab, you can change your name from the default of your sign-in name in the appropriate text box.
- Next, you can write your message by either entering text into the **Message** box or by using the Advanced Content Editor.

Figure 9-44
Message Window

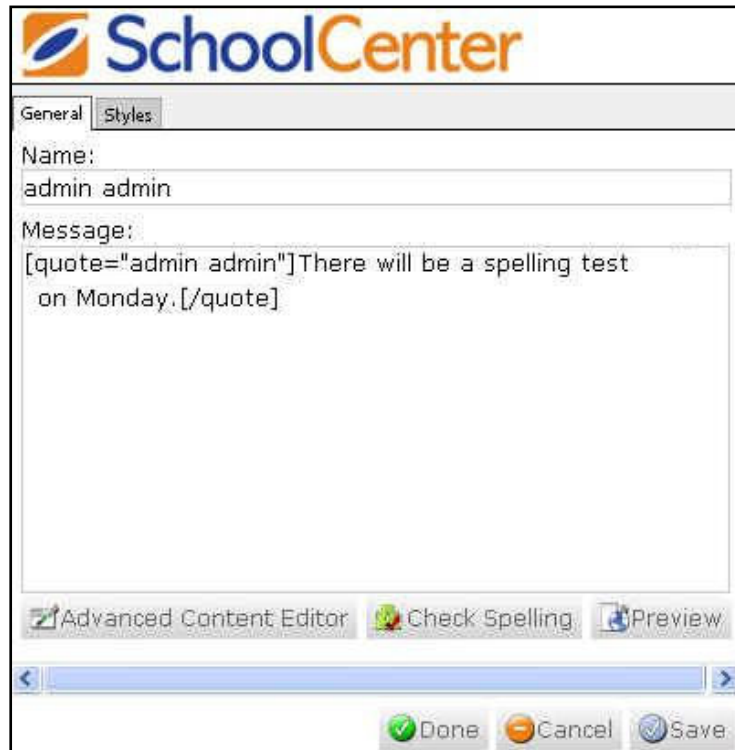


Quoting a Message

Often, especially in busy threads, it is helpful to clarify your response by quoting the thread you are responding to.

- In the upper right corner of each posted message is a **Quote** link. To respond to the message using quoted text, click this link.
- A new window will open that is identical to the **Posting a Message** window. In the message box, the message you quoted will appear first. You can then follow the guidelines listed above for posting a message. Even though you have quoted text, you can still use the Advanced Content Editor and all of the other functions listed above.

Figure 9-45
General Tab



- You will see after your message is completed that the quoted text is clearly separated from your message.

If you have your page set to **Approve Posts**, you will have to approve the message before it can be published on the thread.

Approving Posts

The Board can be set up so that any post to the board has to be approved by you to keep unwanted content from appearing on your website.

- To check your board posts, click the **You have (#) post pending approval** option in the **Edit** drop-down menu. You can see all pending messages posted on your board.
- Click **Edit** to review and approve any and all messages as posts.
- Once you have reviewed a message, click **Done** to publish or to save the post or click **Delete** to remove the pending message from the site.

Blog

Like the board, the Blog is a way for visitors to your site to view and reply to threaded discussions, with the initial thread being the blog entry. A blog is a thread-based discussion method. You create blog entries and decide if you would like to allow users to post comments on them.

The method for utilizing blogs is the same as that listed for the boards, listed above in detail. However, in the blog format instead of creating new threads, you are creating new blogs. You can choose the options for your blog by selecting Page Settings from the edit drop down menu.



Figure 9-46
Blog

Guest Book

The **Guest Book** feature can be used by visitors to leave a message after visiting your website. As with the Board and Blog formats, your page options are the same, but the Guestbook layout is different. Instead of creating threads for discussion, you are simply creating messages for that will be posted.

- To post a message on the Guestbook, click the **Sign Guestbook** link. A new window will open.
- This window does not contain any tabs. Instead you have the name option which automatically defaults to your screen name unless you opt to change it in the Name text box.
- Next is the text box for your Guestbook message. You can simply type your message in the text box provided or you can use the **Advanced Content Editor** for more entry options. The Advanced Content Editor is explained in detail in **Chapter 7 - Editing Your Webpage**.
- Click **Done** after you have finished entering or editing your message.

Watch This Guestbook

- If you would like to receive email messages when entries are made to the guestbook, click the **Watch This Guestbook** link.
- In the new window that opens, enter in your email address to receive email notification of guestbook changes.
- Click **Done** to save you email address.

Signing the Guest Book

- To sign the Guest Book, click the link [**Sign Guest Book**] and fill out the information for the post.
- When you have entered the information, click the **Sign Guest Book** button.

If you have your page set to Approve Posts, you will have to approve the message before it can be published on the site.

Figure 9-47
Message Screen

SchoolCenter

Name:
J. Smith

Message:
It was great visiting your site!

Advanced Content Editor Check Spelling Preview

Done Cancel Save

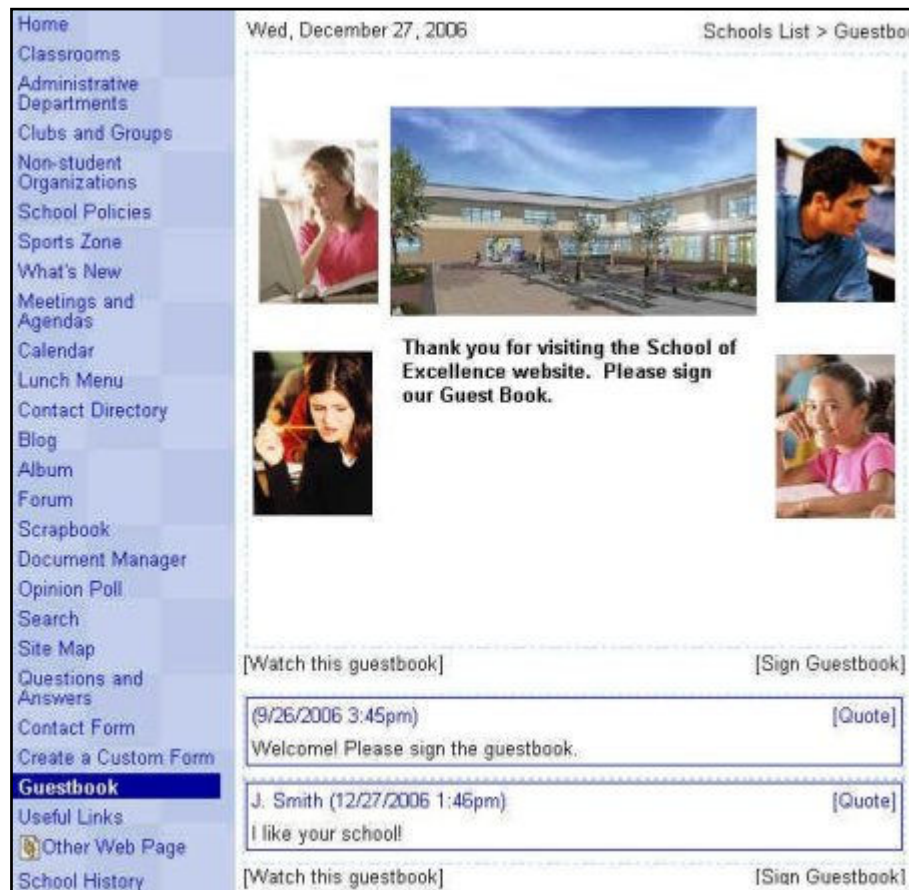
Approving Posts

- To check your Guest Book posts, click the **You have (#) post pending approval** option in the **Edit** drop-down menu. You can see all pending messages posted on your Guest Book.
- Click the **Edit** button to review and approve any and all messages as posts.

- Once you have reviewed a message, click **Done** to publish or to save the post or click **Delete** to remove the pending message from the site.
- To view the posts on the Guest Book, click the **View Guestbook** link.

You also have the option to add a header that contains an image and text to the Guest Book page. For more on adding images and text, see the **Adding Pictures** and **Adding Text** sections of this manual.

Figure 9-48
Guestbook



Page Settings

The Page settings for Board, Blog and Guest Book are the same.

- To access Page Settings, navigate to the page and click the **Edit** drop-down menu and choose **Page Settings**. A new window will open.

General

- Under the **General** tab, you will find the page type and the page title. If you would like to change the page title, type the new title for your page in the corresponding text box.
- Next, you can choose from the drop-down menu how many threads you want per board. You have choices ranging from 5 to 100.
- You can also choose how many posts per thread you would like by choosing from the drop-down menu where you again have the option of choosing between 5 and 100.
- If you would like to manually approve the posts to this board, select **Manually approve posts**.
- As mentioned before, when making posts you have the option to use the Advanced Content Editor. You have the option here to allow anonymous users access to the

Advanced Content Editor.

- You can also password-protect this page in View mode so only those with the correct password can view the page.

Figure 9-49

The screenshot shows the 'SchoolCenter' logo at the top. Below it is a tabbed interface with 'General', 'Details', 'Meta', and 'Layouts' tabs. The 'General' tab is active, displaying the following settings:

- Page Type: Guestbook
- Page Title: Guestbook
- Subdirectory: (empty text box)
- ☐ Password protect this page in **View** mode
- Threads Per Board: 25 (dropdown menu)
- Posts Per Thread: 25 (dropdown menu)
- ☒ Manually approve posts
- ☐ Allow anonymous users to use Advanced Content Editor

At the bottom of the settings area, it says: *Page last modified on Wed, 27 Dec 2006 13:47:04 Central by admin admin*

The bottom of the window features four buttons: 'Page Design' (with a pencil icon), 'Delete' (with a red X icon), 'Done' (with a green checkmark icon), and 'Cancel' (with an orange X icon).

Details

- Under the **Details** tab, you have following options: **Allow more than one picture and text**, **Allow the public to subscribe to this page**, **Show Babel Fish translation**, **Hide link in navigation**, **Deny public access to the page**, **Make this page the homepage**, and **Move this page to another a section**. All of these options are explained in greater detail in the beginning of this chapter.

Meta

- In the **Meta** tab, add keywords or phrases to your page's meta tags for Internet search engines. If these words are typed into the search engine, the search will include your site or page in the results.
- You can type words such as your school's name, your event, or anything else you think someone who is interested in your page might look under.
- Write a brief description of the page in the box provided.
- Click **Done** when you are finished with the Page Settings options.

Layouts

- In the **Layouts** tab, you can choose the layout of your board by selecting **Blog**, **Board**, or **Guestbook**.

This partial screenshot shows the 'SchoolCenter' logo and the 'Layouts' tab selected. The word 'Blog' is visible at the bottom of the interface.

Homepage

Home Page

The Home Page is important because that is the first thing people will see when they visit your site. For this reason, it is vital to add content to this page as soon as possible. The Home Page will automatically be added to your site when the site is created. Set up your Homepage Options using Page Settings.

Page Settings

- To access your page settings, choose the **Page Settings** option from the **Edit** drop-down menu.
- A new window will open.

General

- In the **General** tab, you can change the title of your Homepage, and therefore your site, by typing in the title you want in the **Site Title** text box.
- You have the option to show the hit counter.
- If you choose to show the hit counter, you can prime the counter. Visitors to the site will see the primed number. However, in Edit mode you will see both the primed number and the actual number of hits.
- You can change the page title by typing the title you want in the corresponding text box.
- Next, choose whether you want the Homepage to be in Newsletter or Scrapbook format by clicking the corresponding button.

Details

- Click the **Details** tab.
- You have the following options: **Allow the public to subscribe to this page**, **hide the link in navigation**, and **deny public access to the page**.

Meta

- In the **Meta** tab, add keywords or phrases to your page's meta tags for Internet search engines. If these words are typed into the search engine, the search will include your site or page in the results.
- You can type words such as your school's name, your event, or anything else you think someone who is interested in your page might look under.
- Write a brief description of the page in the box provided.
- Click **Done** when you are finished with the Page Settings options.

Scrapbook Style

The Scrapbook style of your Home Page allows you to post images and text in multiple sortable items. In the Scrapbook style, all the edit fields are in one column and additional edit fields are entered vertically, one on top of the other.

- To add images or text to the Home Page, click the **Add Picture & Text** option from the **Edit** drop-down menu.
- A new edit field will be added to the page.

When you have more than one edit field, you can sort the fields.

- To sort the fields, choose the **Sort Picture and Text Boxes** option from the edit drop-down menu.
- A number will appear in the text and image boxes. Simply change the numbers to the order you would like the boxes to appear.

- Once you have renumbered the boxes, click **Sort**.

Editing the Scrapbook

- To add text or edit the scrapbook box, click the edit button if in Legacy Mode or click the edit icon and choose **Edit Content Box** from the drop-down menu.

General

- You can add text under the **General** tab of the new window that opens. You can add text simply by entering text into the text box, or you can click the Advanced Content Editor to edit or enter text. For more information on using the Advanced Content editor, see **Chapter 7 - Editing Your Webpage**.



Figure 9-51
Scrapbook Text Box

Styles

- Click the **Styles** tab to choose the alignment, font size, and font color.
- Select the **Border** box to open the border options. Choose the desired border color from the Color Picker and border size from the drop-down menu.
- Select the **Background Color** box to open the color options and choose the desired background color for this text field from the drop-down menu.
- Click the empty Color square in each to open the Color Picker.
- Move the cursor over the Color Picker and select the color by clicking in the desired color's circle. You will see your choice show up in the Color box.
- Click **Done** to save and post the message.

Attachments

- In the **Attachments** tab, you can add an image, link, or file to your scrapbook by clicking the corresponding button. Follow the instruction as detailed in **Chapter 7 - Editing Your Webpage** for specific instructions on adding images, links and attachments.



Figure 9-52
Attachments

Newsletter Style

The **Newsletter Style** of a Home Page allows you to create multiple home page items arranged in two columns that are capable of displaying different information each time the page is refreshed.

With the Newsletter style, you can display images and text, pull information from other components such as the Calendar or What's New pages to be displayed within the newsletter box. You can also add a weather banner that is already set up for your area.

- To add a newsletter group edit field, click the **Add Newsletter Group** option in the **Edit** drop-down menu. The newsletter group edit field will be displayed on your site along with the subtitle bar for that field.
- To add content or edit an already existing Newsletter field, simply click the **Edit** icon if in Legacy Mode. You can also click the edit icon and choose the **Edit Content Box** option from the drop-down menu. A new window will appear.

General

- Under the **General** tab, you can change the title of your newsletter box by filling out the information in the corresponding text box.
- In the description text box you can enter in the information you would like to appear in your box. You can simply type the text or you can use the Advanced Content Editor. For more information on the Advanced Content Editor see **Chapter 7 - Editing Your Webpage**.

Figure 9-53
General Newsletter Tab

The screenshot shows the 'General' tab of the SchoolCenter newsletter editor. At the top is the SchoolCenter logo. Below it are four tabs: 'General' (selected), 'Options', 'Styles', and 'Attachments'. The 'Title' field contains '(New Item)'. The 'Description' field contains the text: 'Please take a look at our new and improved school web site. We would like to thank SchoolCenter for all of their help on our site.' Below the description field are three buttons: 'Advanced Content Editor', 'Check Spelling', and 'Preview'. At the bottom are four buttons: 'Delete', 'Done', 'Cancel', and 'Back to List'.

Options

- Under the **Options** tab, you can choose to hide the box title.
- By clicking **Back to List**, you can edit your newsletter box.
- One of the features of the Newsletter boxes is being able to add multiple entries per box by clicking the **Add Picture and Text** icon. This will allow you to post several messages in one box so that every time your page is viewed, a different message will be shown. This is very helpful in making your page look new to the viewer upon every visit.

Figure 9-54
Box Options

The screenshot shows the 'Options' tab of the SchoolCenter newsletter editor. At the top is the SchoolCenter logo. Below it is the text 'Click on an item below to edit it:'. There is a list of items with icons: '(New Item)', 'Holiday', 'Welcome', 'Add Picture & Text', 'Add Page Summary', and 'Edit Box Properties'. At the bottom right is a 'Done' button.

- If you click **Add Picture and Text**, you will then be returned to the **Options** tab. From there, you can choose the **General** tab so that you can name the new box and fill in the description.

Page Summary

- Another useful feature found under the **Options** tab by clicking **Back to List** is the page summary. A page summary will show in your newsletter box a summary from another page. This is most frequently used with Calendar pages and Lunch Menu pages, but can also be used for any page you want.

- After clicking the **Page Summary** option, a new window will open. From this window, choose the page you would like summarized in your newsletter box.
- After you have chosen the page to summarize, you are given the option to hide the title box for the item and make the summary title a link to this page. This will allow users to click the newsletter box title and be taken to the page you are summarizing. You can also choose how many items you want shown in the newsletter box and how you would like to group recurring events.
- Once you have made your selections, you may click **Done** to return to the **Back to List** screen.

Edit Box Properties

- Your final option in the **Back to List** screen is to edit the box properties. Click **Edit Box Properties** and a new screen will open.
- Here, your first option is to use the settings from Page Design so that everything is pre-set per the Page Design settings.
- The first option refers to the title of your newsletter box. Here, you can choose the alignment of the title, the font size, color and whether or not you want italicized and/or bolded font.
- Select the **Border** box to open the border options. Choose the desired border color from the Color Picker and border size from the drop-down menu.

Figure 9-55
Box Properties

- Select the **Background Color** box to open the color options and choose the desired background color for this text field from the drop-down menu.
- Click the empty Color square in each to open the Color Picker.
- Move the cursor over the Color Picker and select the color by clicking in the desired color's circle. You will see your choice show up in the Color box.
- The box title image allows you to choose a specific image for your box title. This can give your page a distinctive look. Click add image to add an image to your box title.
- You can choose an image from your computer, the **SchoolCenter Gallery**, or **Your Local**

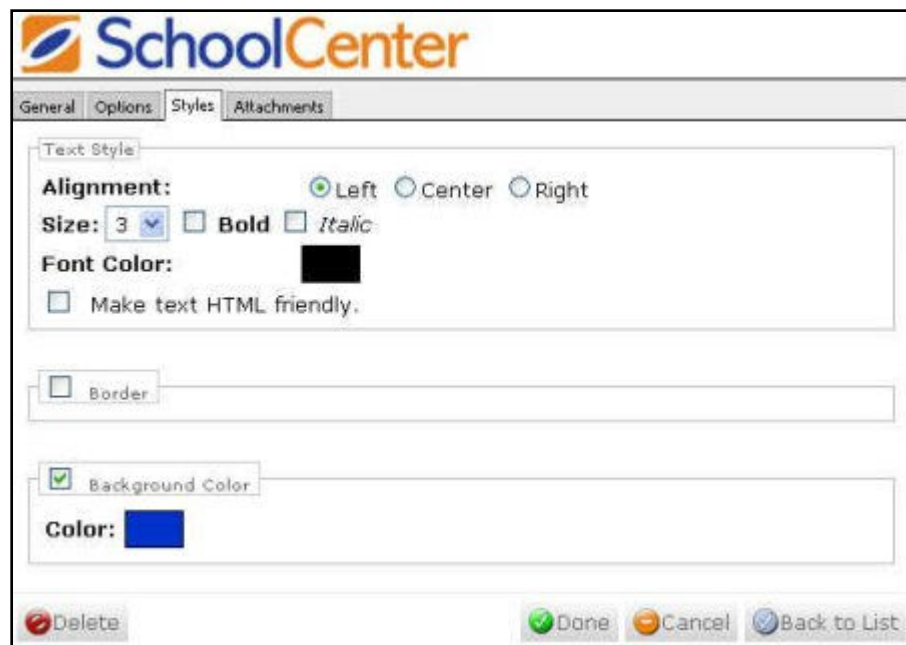
Gallery. Once you have uploaded the image of your choosing, it will appear in your window.

- Your final option is **Tile Box Image and Show Box Title**. This will take your image and use it as a background tile for your newsletter box, while showing the title you chose in the **General** tab.
- After making your selections, click **Done** to return to the **Back to List** window.

Styles

- From the Page Settings window, the next tab is the **Styles** tab. Here, you can choose the text styles, which include the font size and color, bold or italics, alignment, and whether or not to make text HTML friendly.
- Select the **Border** box to open the border options. Choose the desired border color from the Color Picker and border size from the drop-down menu.
- Select the **Background Color** box to open the color options and choose the desired background color for this text field from the drop-down menu.

Figure 9-56
Newsletters Styles



- Click the empty Color square in each to open the Color Picker.
- Move the cursor over the Color Picker and select the color by clicking in the desired color's circle. You will see your choice show up in the Color box.

Opinion Poll

Attachments

- Under the **Attachments** tab, you can upload images by clicking **Add an image**. Further explanation on adding an image and editing an image can be found in **Chapter 7 - Editing Your Webpage**.
- You can also add an alt tag to the image. An alt tag is the search criteria you want associated with your image.
- You can make the image a link, by clicking **Add a link**. In the pop-up window, type the web address you want to link to.
- Click **Done** to save your changes.

Figure 9-57
Attachments



Opinion Poll

The **Opinion Poll** component allows you to gather valuable information about your school, teachers, sports teams, website, classroom, and so forth. Visitors to your website can cast their opinion on any topic that you choose to post on your site. You may only post one opinion question per page, but several of these pages can be placed within your navigation.

The “votes,” all of which are anonymous, are automatically tallied and placed into a bar chart. The percentage of votes for each choice is also displayed.

Adding an Opinion Poll

- In the text boxes provided, type the name of the new opinion poll.
- Click **Add New Opinion Poll**.
- Click the edit button if in Legacy Mode. You can also click the edit icon and **choose Edit Poll** from the drop-down menu and a new window will open.

General

- In the **General** tab, the first option you are given is the title of your poll. Enter the title of your poll in the corresponding text box.
- The next field is the question field. You can enter in the text in the field provided or you can opt to use the Advanced Content Editor for more options. For more information on the Advanced Content Editor, see **Chapter 7 - Editing Your Webpage**.
- Next, click **Add New Answer**. Fill out the answer in the text box provided.
- You can continue to populate your opinion poll with as many answers as you need by repeating the steps detailed above.

Figure 9-58
Poll Questions & Answers

Styles

- From the Page Settings window, the next tab is the **Styles** tab. Here, you can choose the text styles, which include the font size and color, bold or italics, alignment, and whether or not to make text HTML friendly.
- Select the **Border box** to open the border options. Choose the desired border color from the Color Picker and border size from the drop-down menu.
- Select the **Background Color** box to open the color options and choose the desired background color for this text field from the drop-down menu.
- Click the empty Color square in each to open the Color Picker.
- Move the cursor over the Color Picker and select the color by clicking in the desired color's circle. You will see your choice show up in the Color box.
- When you are finished, click **Done**.
- If you have more than one poll, only one can be active at a time.
- To make an inactive poll active, click the red circle next to the inactive poll.



An Opinion Poll can also be added to a newsletter-style page as a page summary.

- You also have the option to add a header that contains an image and text to the Opinion Poll page. For more on adding images and text, see the **Adding Pictures and Adding Text** sections of this manual.

Page Settings

- To access the Opinion Poll page setting, navigate to the page and then select **Page Settings** from the **Edit** drop-down menu.

General

- A new window will open. Under the **General** tab, you can name the page in the

corresponding text box.

- You can also opt to password-protect the page when in View mode.

Figure 9-59
Opinion Poll Page
Settings

Details

- Under the **Details** tab, you have the following options: **Allow more than one picture and text**, **Allow the public to subscribe to this page**, **Show Babel Fish translation**, **Hide link in navigation**, **Deny public access to the page**, **Make this page the homepage**, and **Move this page to another a section**. All of these options are explained in greater detail in the beginning of this chapter.
- Once you have made you selections, click **Done** to save your changes.

Figure 9-60
Opinion Poll Details

Meta

- In the **Meta** tab, add keywords or phrases to your page's meta tags for Internet search engines. If these words are typed into the search engine, the search will include your site or page in the results.
- You can type words such as your school's name, your event, or anything else you think someone who is interested in your page might look under.
- Write a brief description of the page in the box provided.
- Click **Done** when you are finished with the Page Settings options.

Other Web Page

Other Web Page

The **Other Web Page** component can be used to create a link to another page by placing the link along with the other links in your navigation structure. You can also set these links to open in a new window so your visitors can easily return to your site once they have viewed the linked website.

- To add another page's link to your navigation, in Edit Mode, click the **Add a Page** option in the **Edit** drop-down menu.
- In the new window that appears, click the **Other Web Page** component and then click **Add Page**.
- In the new window that opens, you will need to add the link information.

General

- Under the **General** tab, you are first given the option to change the page title. The page title is how this page will appear in your navigation.
- Next, type the web address of the page you are placing in your navigation. Make sure the entire web address is placed in the **Web Address** text box.
- You now can choose where you would like this link to open. You can choose between **current window**, **framed**, or **new window** by clicking the corresponding button.

Figure 9-61
Other Web Page

The screenshot shows a window titled 'SchoolCenter' with two tabs: 'General' and 'Details'. The 'General' tab is selected. It contains the following fields and options:

- Page Type**: Other Web Page
- Page Title**: Other Web Page
- Web Address**: http://www.schoolcenter.com
- Open this link in**:
 - ☒ Current window
 - ☐ Framed
 - ☐ New window

At the bottom, there are buttons for 'Page Design', 'Delete', 'Done', and 'Cancel'.

Details

- Under the **Details** tab, you can select the following options: **Hide link in navigation**, **deny public access to the page**, or **Move the page to different section**.
- Click **Done** when you are finished to save your changes.

Figure 9-62
Details

The screenshot shows the same 'SchoolCenter' window, but with the 'Details' tab selected. It contains the following options:

- ☐ Hide link in navigation
- ☐ Deny public access to **Other Web Page**
- ☒ Move this page to another section

At the bottom, there are buttons for 'Page Design', 'Delete', 'Done', and 'Cancel'.

Meta

- In the **Meta** tab, add keywords or phrases to your page's meta tags for Internet search engines. If these words are typed into the search engine, the search will include your site or page in the results.
- You can type words such as your school's name, your event, or anything else you think someone who is interested in your page might look under.
- Write a brief description of the page in the box provided.
- Click **Done** when you are finished with the Page Settings options.

Parent Registration

Parent Registration

Your website can also provide a link on the school or district page so that parents can register to see their students' grades when using the **Grades Online** feature.

Page Settings

- Navigate to the Parent registration page.
- Click the **Edit** drop-down menu and choose **Page settings**.

General

- The first text box will allow you to change the name of this page.
- Choose the default group for this page from the drop-down menu.
- Choose whether or not you want to allow new parent registration.
- Choose whether or not you would like to password-protect the page.

Details

- Under the **Details** tab, you can choose from the following options: **Allow the public to subscribe to this page**, **Show Babel Fish translation**, **Hide link in navigation**, **Deny public access to the page**, and **Make this page the homepage**.
- Click **Done** when you are finished to save your changes.



For more on the Grades Online feature, see [Reporting Grades at our Support & Services site](#).

New User Registration

Parents who have not yet registered will need to create a user ID and password so they can view their students' grades.

- To begin, parents will enter in a user name and password.
- They will need to confirm that password and enter their first and last names and their email address, and then click the **[new user continue]** link.
- Parents will now need to enter in the hash code the student has received from his or her teacher and then click the **[continue]** link.
- They will next see a screen confirming that they have entered in the correct hash code.
- Next, they will click the **[Click Here to View Grades]** link. They will be directed to a Desktop Start Page where they will see an area called **My Child's Grades**. The names of their students will be listed in the box, and an individual student's grades can be checked by clicking the student name.

Meta

- In the **Meta** tab, add keywords or phrases to your page's meta tags for Internet search engines. If these words are typed into the search engine, the search will include your site or page in the results.
- You can type words such as your school's name, your event, or anything else you think someone who is interested in your page might look under.
- Write a brief description of the page in the box provided.
- Click **Done** when you are finished with the Page Settings options.

Registered Users

- Parents who have already registered can enter in their user name and password in the appropriate field then click the **[registered users continue]** link.
- They will then be directed to a page where they can enter in new hash codes for more students or click the **[See Grades Here]** link.
- Next, they will click the **[Click Here to View Grades]** link. They will be directed to a

Desktop Start Page, where they will see an area called **My Child's Grades**.

- The names of their students will be listed in the box, and individual student grades can be checked by clicking the student name.

You also have the option to add a header that contains an image and text to the Parent Registration page. For more on adding images and text, see the **Adding Pictures** and **Adding Text** sections of this manual.

Question and Answer

Questions and Answers

The **Questions and Answers** component allows you to post frequently asked questions that visitors may have about the community, district, schools, teams, clubs or classrooms. You can have questions and answers for any topic you would like, but since most districts and schools hear the same questions often, the **Question and Answers** component is a great place to address commonly-asked questions.

Adding a Question and Answer

- To add a question and answer, click the **Add New Question** option in the **Edit** drop-down menu.

General

- Under the **General** tab, in the new window that opens, fill out your question in the corresponding text field.
- Next, fill out the answer to the question in the **Answer** box. You can use the Advanced Content Editor, explained in detail in **Chapter 7 - Editing Your Webpage**, or simply enter the answer in the box provided.
- You can add as many questions as you like by clicking the **New** button after each question and answer.
- Once you are finished entering the information, click **Done** to save the new question and answer.

The screenshot shows a web application window titled "SchoolCenter". It has three tabs: "General", "Styles", and "Attachments", with "General" currently selected. The window contains two large text input fields. The top field is labeled "Question" and the bottom field is labeled "Answer". At the bottom of the window, there is a toolbar with several buttons: "Advanced Content Editor" (with a small icon), "Check Spelling" (with a small icon), "Preview" (with a small icon), "New" (with a green plus icon), "Done" (with a green checkmark icon), and "Cancel" (with an orange X icon).

Figure 9-63

Question & Answer Edit Field

Styles

- From the Page Settings window, the next tab is the **Styles** tab. Here, you can choose the text styles, which include the font size and color, bold or italics, alignment, and whether or not to make text HTML friendly.
- Select the **Border** box to open the border options. Choose the desired border color from the Color Picker and border size from the drop-down menu.
- Select the **Background Color** box to open the color options and choose the desired

background color for this text field from the drop-down menu.

- Click the empty Color square in each to open the Color Picker.
- Move the cursor over the Color Picker and select the color by clicking in the desired color's circle. You will see your choice show up in the Color box.
- When you are finished, click **Done**.

Attachments

- Under the **Attachments** tab, you can upload images by clicking the **Add an image** button. Further explanation on adding an image and editing an image can be found in **Chapter 7 - Editing Your Webpage**.

Editing Existing Questions

- To edit a question, click the **Edit** icon located to the right of the question.
- You can also sort the order of the questions by clicking **Sort**.
- A new window will open, allowing you to sort alphabetically, sort in reverse alphabetical order, or sort by dragging and dropping the questions where you want them to appear on the page.
- Once you have the questions in the order you prefer, click **Done** to save your changes.

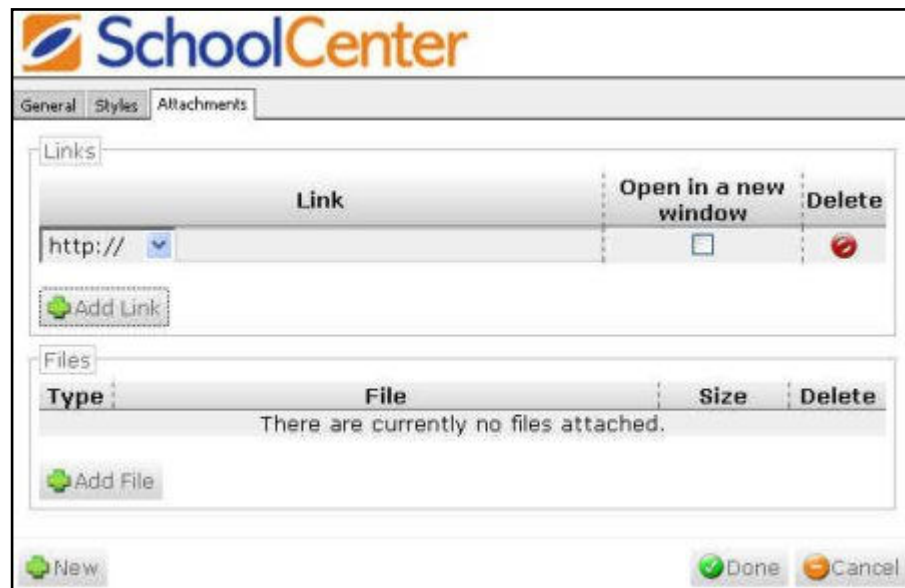


Figure 9-64
Attachments Tab

Importing

The **Questions and Answers** component also has an import feature that will allow you to mass populate your page.

- To import information onto your page, first download the **Mass Data Import** template from the **SchoolCenter Support & Services** site.
- Fill out the template.
- Once the template is filled out, click the **Import** tab and then follow the on-screen instructions.

You also have the option to add a header that contains an image and text to the Questions and Answers page. For more on adding images and text, see the **Adding Pictures** and **Adding Text** sections of this manual.

Page Settings

- To access page settings, navigate to the page, and click the **Edit** drop-down menu. From the drop-down menu click **Page Settings**.

General

- The **General** tab options for the **Questions and Answers** page first give you the option to change the title of the page.
- You can also choose whether or not you would like to password-protect your page while in View Mode.

Details

- In the **Details** tab, you may choose from the following options: **Syndicate this page with RSS**, **Allow more than one picture and text box**, **Allow the public to subscribe to this page**, **Show Babel Fish translation box**, **Hide the Link in Navigation**, **Deny public access to the page**, and **Make this page the homepage**. If you want to move the page, you may click the scissors icon.

Meta

- In the **Meta** tab, add keywords or phrases to your page's meta tags for Internet search engines. If these words are typed into the search engine, the search will include your site or page in the results.
- You can type words such as your school's name, your event, or anything else you think someone who is interested in your page might look under.
- Write a brief description of the page in the box provided.
- Click **Done** when you are finished with the Page Settings options.

School History

School History

Use the **School History** component to outline the history of your school. Adding pictures and text to this page helps make your school history more memorable for the visitors to your site.

- To add pictures or text to your School History page, click the **Add Picture & Text** option in the **Edit** drop-down menu to display a new edit field.

For more on adding pictures and text, see the **Adding Pictures** and **Adding Text** sections of this manual.

Once you have more than one edit field, you can sort the fields by choosing the **Sort Picture and Text Boxes** from the **Edit** drop-down menu. Next, change the field numbers in the boxes and then click **Sort**.

School Map

The **School Map** component is designed to make it easy to upload a map to your school's location or a map of the school building. For directional maps, there are options online such as MapQuest, Google Maps, and Yahoo! Maps.

- To add pictures or text to your School History page, click the **Add Picture & Text** option in the **Edit** drop-down menu to display a new edit field.

For more on adding pictures and text, see the **Adding Pictures** and **Adding Text** sections of this manual.

Once you have more than one edit field, you can sort the fields by choosing the **Sort Picture and Text Boxes** from the **Edit** drop-down menu. Next, change the field numbers in the boxes and then click **Sort**.

Schools

Schools

The **Schools** page displays links to the websites for the schools in your district so your visitors can easily locate and navigate to any school they want.

- To rearrange the order of the school links, click **Sort List**.
- Highlight the link that you would like to move by clicking once on its title. Next, drag and drop the highlighted link.
- You also have the option to sort the schools in alphabetical order or in reverse alphabetical order.

Figure 9-65
School Sort



- To return to the default list, click the **[reset]** link. After all changes have been made, click **Done** to save the settings and close the window.
- You also have the option to add a header that contains an image and text to the Schools page. For more on adding images and text, see the **Adding Pictures** and **Adding Text** sections of this manual.

Scrapbook

Scrapbook

The **Scrapbook** component allows you to put your school or classroom on display.

The Scrapbook is very similar to the Home Page in that you can only add images and text. As it does not have a specific use, you can easily use this component as a template for new blank pages on your site.

Page Settings

The **Page Settings** for the Scrapbook help determine how the page will look, so it might be beneficial to start there.

- Navigate to your scrapbook page and choose **Page Settings** from the **Edit** drop-down menu.

General

- A new window will open. Under the **General** tab, you have the option to change the page title in the corresponding text box.
- Next, you can choose how many scrapbook items you would like to appear on each page from the **Items Per Page** drop-down menu.
- You can also choose to password-protect this page while in View mode.

Figure 9-66
General Scrapbook
Options



The screenshot shows the 'SchoolCenter' logo at the top. Below it is a tabbed interface with 'General', 'Details', and 'Layouts' tabs. The 'General' tab is active, showing the following options:

- Page Type**: Scrapbook
- Page Title**: Scrapbook
- Navigation Buttons** (Previous & Next): A text box containing the text 'Previous & Next'.
- Boxes Per Page**: All (with a dropdown arrow)
- ☐ Hide all box titles
- ☐ Password protect this page in **View** mode

At the bottom, there are three buttons: 'Page Design' (with a pencil icon), 'Delete' (with a red X icon), and 'Done' (with a green checkmark icon). A 'Cancel' button is also present.

Details

- You can choose from the following options: **Allow the public to subscribe to this page**, **Show Babel Fish translation box**, **Hide the Link in Navigation**, **Deny public access to the page**, and **Make this page the homepage**. If you want to move the page, you may click the scissors icon.

Figure 9-67
Scrapbook Details



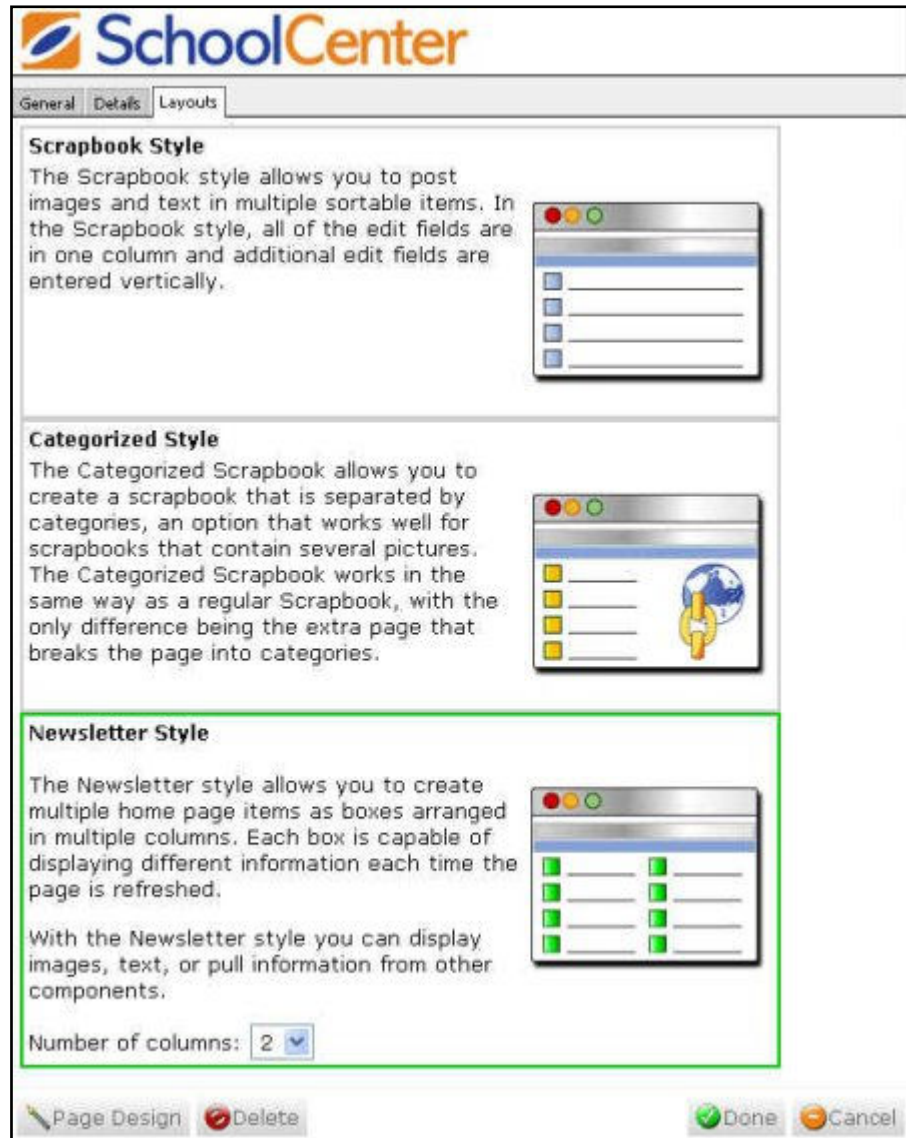
Meta

- In the **Meta** tab, add keywords or phrases to your page's meta tags for Internet search engines. If these words are typed into the search engine, the search will include your site or page in the results.
- You can type words such as your school's name, your event, or anything else you think someone who is interested in your page might look under.
- Write a brief description of the page in the box provided.
- Click **Done** when you are finished with the Page Settings options.

Layouts

- The final tab is **Layouts**. You have three layouts you can choose from.
- **Scrapbook Style** allows you to post images and text in multiple sortable items. In the Scrapbook style, all of the edit fields are in one column and additional edit fields are entered vertically.
- The **Categorized Style** allows you to create a scrapbook that is separated by categories, an option that works well for scrapbooks containing several pictures. The Categorized Scrapbook works in the same way as a regular scrapbook with the only difference being the extra page that breaks the page into categories.
- The **Newsletter Style** allows you to create multiple home pages items as boxes arranged in multiple columns. Each box is capable of displaying different information each time the page is refreshed. With the Newsletter style, you can display images, text, or pull information from other page components. You can choose how many columns you want to appear by clicking the **Number of Columns** drop-down menu.
- Once you have finished, click **Done** to save your settings.

Figure 9-68
Layouts



Scrapbook Style

The **Scrapbook Style** allows you to post images and text in multiple sortable items. In the Scrapbook style, all of the edit fields are in one column and additional edit fields are entered vertically, one on top of the other.

- To add images or text to the Scrapbook, click the **Add Picture & Text** option in the **Edit** drop-down menu. For more on adding images and text, see the **Adding Pictures and Adding Text** sections of this manual.

Once you have more than one edit field, you can sort the fields by choosing the **Sort Picture and Text Boxes** from the **Edit** drop-down menu. Next, change the field numbers in the boxes and then click **Sort**.

Newsletter Style

The **Newsletter Style** allows you to create multiple home page items arranged in two columns and capable of displaying different information each time the page is refreshed.

With the Newsletter style, you can display images and text, pull information from other components such as the **Calendar** or **What's New** pages to be displayed within the item, and a

weather banner that is already set up for your area.

- To add a newsletter group edit field, click the **Add Newsletter Group** option in the **Edit** drop-down menu.
- A new window will open, where you can choose between **Add Picture & Text** or **Add Page Summary**. These options are explained in detail below.
- To add images or text to your Newsletter field, simply click **Add Picture and Text**. A new window will appear.

General

- Under the **General** tab, you can change the title of your newsletter box by filling out the information in the corresponding text box.
- In the description text box, you can enter in the information you would like to appear in your box. You can simply type the text or you can use the Advanced Content Editor. For more information on the Advanced Content Editor, see **Chapter 7 - Editing Your Webpage**.

Options

- Under the **Options** tab, you can choose to hide the box title.
- By clicking **Back to List**, you can edit your newsletter box.
- One of the features of the Newsletter boxes is being able to add multiple entries per box by clicking **Add Picture and Text**. This will allow you to post several messages in one box so every time your page is viewed, a different message will be shown. This is very helpful in making your page look new to the viewer upon every visit.
- If you select **Add Picture and Text**, you will then be returned to the **Options** tab. From there, you can choose the **General** tab so that you can name the new box and fill in the description.

Figure 9-69
Box Options



Page Summary

- Another useful feature found under the **Options** tab when clicking **Back to List** is the page summary. A page summary will show in your newsletter box a summary from another page. This is most frequently used with Calendar pages and Lunch Menu pages, but can also be used for any page you want.
- After clicking the **Page Summary** option, a new window will open. From this window, choose the page you would like summarized in your newsletter box.
- After you have chosen the page to summarize, you are given the option of hiding the title box for the item and making the summary title a link to this page. This will allow users to click the newsletter box title and be taken to the summarized page. You can also choose how many items you want shown in the newsletter box and how you would like to group recurring events.
- Once you have made your selections, you may click **Done** to return to the **Back to List** screen.


Figure 9-70
Page Summary

The screenshot shows the 'SchoolCenter' web application interface. On the left, there is a sidebar menu with the following items: 'Documentation - Version 7.5', 'What's New', 'Question and Answers', 'Search', 'Meetings and Agendas', 'Administrative Departments' (expanded), 'Lunch Menu' (selected), 'District Message Board', 'Staff Development Calendar', 'Useful Links', 'Parent Registration', 'Forum', 'District Calendar', 'Schools List' (expanded), 'Document Manager', 'Doc Dept Schools' (expanded), 'Opinion Poll', 'Syndicated News List', 'Weather Banner', and 'Feed Reader'. The main content area is titled 'Showing Summary Options for: Lunch Menu'. It contains several settings: 'Hide title box for this item' (unchecked), 'Make summary title a link to this page.' (checked), 'Height of marquee scrolling:' (set to 'Do not scroll' via a dropdown), 'Items to Show:' (set to '20' via a dropdown), 'Group recurring events' (unchecked), and 'Display as:' (radio buttons for 'Calendar View' and 'List View', with 'List View' selected). At the bottom of the interface are three buttons: 'Delete', 'Done', and 'Cancel', followed by a 'Save' button.

Edit Box Properties

- Your final option in the **Back to List** screen is to **Edit Box Properties**. Click **Edit Box Properties** and a new screen will open.
- Here, your first option is to use settings from Page Design so that everything is pre-set per the Page Design settings.
- The first option refers to the title of your newsletter box. Here, you can choose the alignment of the title, the font size, color and whether or not you want italicized and/or bolded font.
- Select the **Border** box to open the border options and choose the desired border color from the Color Picker and border size from the drop-down menu.
- Select the **Background Color** box to open the color options and choose the desired background color for this text field from the drop-down menu.

Figure 9-71
Box Properties



Use Page Design

☐ Use Settings from Page Design

Title Text


Alignment: ☐ Left ☒ Center ☐ Right


Font: 2 ☒ Bold ☐ Italic


☐ Box Border

☐ Background Color


Box Title Image


 Edit Image

 Delete Image



☐ Tile Box Title Image and Show Box Title.

 Done

 Done

Album

Album

The **Album** page is a great way to showcase a large number of photographs or images. Visitors to your site can cycle through the images on their own, or they can choose to view the Album's image as a slideshow. Many districts and schools have annual events where they take a large number of pictures. These pictures can be placed in the Album page component. By allowing them to post comments on the page helps further involve site visitors with the district and familiarize them with the school's activities and traditions.

- To begin editing and adding images to your album, choose the **Switch to Edit Mode** option from the **Edit** drop-down menu.
- Select **Add Picture and Text** from the **Edit** drop-down menu to edit your page.

Manage Album

- To add pictures or manage an existing album, choose the **Manage Album** from the **Edit** drop-down menu.
- A new window will open. From this window, you can edit your images and add new images.
- Click **Add** to add images to your album.

Figure 9-72
Manage Album



Standard Mode

- To use **Standard Mode**, click **Standard Mode** and then click **Select Upload Method**.
- To add a file from your computer, click **Browse**.
- Select the image file you want to add by double-clicking it.
- Click **Upload file**.
- After your file uploads, you can browse for another file or click **Done**.
- You can change your file name in the text box provided.
- Choose the category you want to place the file by selecting the correct category from the drop-down menu.
- If you no longer want this image uploaded, you can select the **Delete** option.
- You can name your image by filling out the **Title** field.

- To add tags or comments to your image click **Add Tags/Comments**. Tags act as categories for your images. If you want the images to belong to multiple categories, enter multiple tags into the field.
- This list of tags needs to be coma-separated. In the new window that opens, enter in the tags for your image in the first text box and comments in the second text box.
- If you no longer want this image uploaded, you can select the **Delete** option.
- Click **Done** to save your changes.



If you want to add several images to your Album quickly, use Enhanced Mode. In Enhanced Mode, you can highlight a large group of image files at once by holding down the Shift key to select a list of file. To select several separate files, hold down the Control key.

Enhanced Mode

- To add files using **Enhanced Mode**, you will need to have Java™.
- Click **Enhanced Mode** then click **Select Upload Method**.
- To add files, you can click **Add** in the new window to open a file browser to select individual or multiple files. After you have selected your files from the browser, click **Open**. Alternatively, you can open a file browser. Once you have opened the browser and navigated to the files you want to add, simply drag and drop them into the **SchoolCenter** window.
- Once you have dragged and dropped the files you are adding to your page, click **Done**.
- In the new window, you can change your file name in the text box provided.
- To add tags or comments to your image click **Add Tags/Comments**. Tags act as categories for your images. If you want the images to belong to multiple categories, enter multiple tags into the field.
- This list of tags needs to be coma-separated. In the new window that opens, enter in the tags for your image in the first text box and comments in the second text box.
- If you no longer want this image uploaded, you can select the **Delete** option.
- Click **Done** to save your changes.

Figure 9-73
Album Tab



Adding Image to Site

- The images you selected will appear in the sidebar.
- You have the option to change the title and description of each image. You also have the option to add additional tags to the image.
- You can also choose the size of the thumbnail by clicking the thumbnail and choosing the thumbnail size you want from the drop-down menu.
- When you are finished making changes to each image, click **Apply**.
- To delete an image, click **Delete**.
- Once you are finished adding a title, description, and tags to your images, click **Close**.
- The images you added will appear on your page.

Figure 9-74
Slideshow Tab



Page Settings

- To access your page settings, navigate to your Album page and then choose the **Page Settings** option from the **Edit** drop-down menu.
- A new window will open.

General

- In the **General** tab, you have the option to change the title of your page. Since you can create many Album pages, it is possible to have an Album page dedicated to an event you want to showcase or for a specific group or activity. Therefore, it would be wise to change the title of the page from "Album" to the name of the event, group, activity, or Album theme.
- You have the option to password-protect this page when in View Mode.
- You can allow users to post comments on the page.
- If you allow users to post comments on the page, you have the option to manually approve all comments, thereby allowing you to screen all comments prior to them being posted online. If you choose this option, you can check for comments while in Edit mode from the **Edit** drop-down menu. The **Unapproved Comments** option will allow you to read and approve user comments.

Details

- Click the **Details** tab.
- You have the following options: **Allow more than one Add Picture and Text**, **allow the public to subscribe to this page**, **Show Babel fish translation box**, **hide the link in navigation**, **deny public access to the page**, **make this page the homepage**, and **Move this page to another section**.

Meta

- In the **Meta** tab, you can add keywords or phrases for your to your page's meta tags for Internet search engines. If these words are typed into the search engine, the search will include your site or page in the results.
- You can type words such as your school's name, your event, or anything else you think someone who is interested in your page might look under.

- Write a brief description of the page in the box provided.
- Click **Done** when you are finished with the Page Settings options.

Slideshow

- The Album page has a slideshow that visitors can view. To set the slideshow options, click the **Slideshow** tab.
- You can choose to show the slideshow in the **Current** window or in a **New** window from the drop-down menu.
- Next, you can choose to have the transition from one picture to another be either a wipe or a fade.
- You can set how long each picture is shown from one second up to one minute from the drop-down menu.
- Once you have finished choosing your slideshow options, click **Done** to save your changes.
- You can delete your Album page by clicking **Delete**.
- You can cancel any changes you made to your Page Settings by clicking **Cancel**.

Search

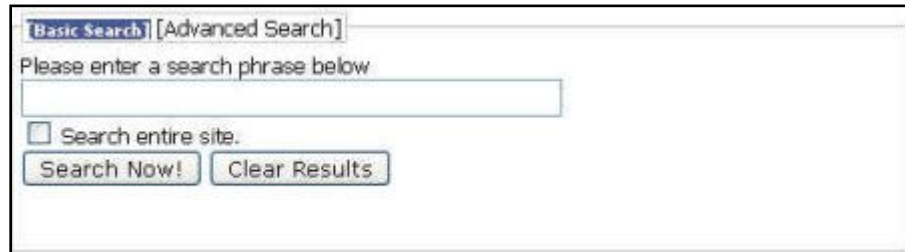
Search

The **Search** component allows visitors to search the site via keywords. With the **Advanced Search** option, visitors can search individual page components via keywords. The Google search option uses the Google search engine to search the website, not the Internet.

Searching the Site

Type the keywords that you want to search the website for and click **Search Now!**.

Figure 9-75
Search



- To search by keyword in specific page components, click the **Advanced Search** tab.
- Type the keywords for the search, place a check in the box of the components to search, and then click **Search Now!**. The results will be displayed with the keyword highlighted.
- To clear the results and/or to search again, click **Clear Results**.



The Search component is not an Internet search engine. It will only search your site.

You also have the option to add a header that contains an image and text to the Search page. For more on adding images and text, see the **Adding Pictures** and **Adding Text** sections of this manual.

Site Map

The **Site Map** component allows visitors to your website to easily navigate to any page throughout your school or district.

- To use the Site Map, click the name of the section where you want to navigate to or click the down arrows to expand that section.
- When you have found the section that you want to visit, click that link and you will be directed to that page.
- You also have the option to add a header that contains an image and text to the Site Map page. For more on adding images and text, see the **Adding Pictures** and **Adding Text** sections of this manual.

Test Bank

Test Bank

The **Test Bank** component is available at the classroom level as a unique and efficient way to quiz your students over the material learned in class. This component provides an excellent study tool for your students. You can add as many Test Banks to your site as you want, covering as many subjects as you want. With the use of this component, your students' testing skills can begin to improve exponentially.

Add a New Test

- In the area stating **(New Test)**, type the name of the new test.
- Click **Add New**.
- Click the **Edit** icon to begin entering your questions for the new test.
- In the **Description** text box, type a question you want those taking the test to answer.
- Enter the instructions for the test in the **Instructions** text box. This information will appear in the **Test** window.
- Click **Done** to save your test.

Figure 9-76
New Test

You also have the option to allow students to retry after answering a question incorrectly by selecting the **Allow Retries** box.

- To add, delete, and change questions, click the **[Edit Questions]** link.
- You can select the number of questions for this test from the drop-down menu.
- You will then have the option to edit each question by clicking the **New Question #** links provided.
- You can type the question in the text box at the top.
- To delete this question, click **Delete** located above the text box.
- You can also add an image to the question by clicking **Add Media** located below the text box.

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< Back Edit Question

Question: **Xdelete**

What is the capital of Illinois?

Add Image

Answer 1: ☐ Correct Answer **Xdelete**

Answer: Shelbyville

Response:

Answer 2: ☒ Correct Answer **Xdelete**

Answer: Springfield

Response:

Answer 3: ☐ Correct Answer **Xdelete**

Answer: Alton

Response:

Add Answer(s): Please Choose ▼

Save Question

Figure 9-77
Test Questions & Answers

- To add answers, select the number of answers you would like to make available for this question from the **Answers** drop-down menu.
- Type the answer, putting the answer to the question in the **Answer** text box and the response (to indicate to the student upon choosing this answer whether it is correct or incorrect) in the **Response** text box.



You may enter any information you want (including explanations) into the Response text box.

- When you are finished editing this question, click **Save Question**.
- To return to the main window, click **Back**.

You may add as many tests to your Test Bank page as you would like.

You also have the option to add a header that contains an image and text to the Test Bank

page. For more on adding images and text, see the **Adding Pictures** and **Adding Text** sections of this manual.

Useful Links

Useful Links

The **Useful Links** page is an easy way to add links to your site by creating a directory of links to outside web pages. These links can be categorized and can include brief or detailed descriptions.

Share Data

A share feature has been built into the Useful Links page component so that information entered on these pages may be shared from classroom to district, school to classroom, and school to school. In this way, information may be entered in one area and shared throughout the entire website.

Summary

- The **Summary** tab shows the pages, if any, that data is being pulled or pushed from. You can change the pages by clicking the page name in the page summary. This will take you to the Pull tab or the Push tab where you can select or clear pages.

Pull Data

- Click the **Pull Data** tab to show a list of pages in your site.
- Navigate to the page you want to pull data from, and then select the categories you want to place in your page.
- Once you are finished choosing sites, click **Done**. The data pulled from the other page will now appear on the site with a barrels icon located next to the information instead of an Edit icon. This means that you will not be able to edit the information, since it is pulled from another page. If the information is changed on the original page, it will subsequently change the information on your page.

Figure 9-78
Browse Tab



- To remove the data from your page, click the **Pull Data** tab.
- Clear the check box and click **Done**. The data will then be removed from your page.

Push Data

- To push data to another site, you must be a system Administrator. This tab does the opposite of the Pull Data. Instead of taking information from another site, you are giving information, or pushing data, to other sites throughout the district. This can be used for district holiday schedules, and other events you want to appear on other sites.
- Click the **Push Data** tab.

- Place a check next to the categories you want to place in your page.
- Once you are finished choosing sites, click **Done**. The data pushed to the other page will now appear on those sites with barrel icons located next to the information instead of an Edit icon. This means that the information cannot be edited, since it is pulled from another page. If the information is changed on the original page, it will subsequently change the information on your page.

Import

The **Useful Links** component also has an import feature in the form of an import template that will mass populate your Calendar page.

- To import information onto your page, first download the **Mass Data Import** template from our Support & Services site.
- Fill out the template.
- Once the template is filled out, click the **Import** tab, and then follow the on-screen instructions.

Adding Categories

- To add a category to your Useful Links page, click the **Add Category** option from the **Edit** drop-down menu.
- A new window will appear where you can enter the information for the category into the text boxes. The first text field is for the title of your category.
- Next, you can enter in a description of the category in the corresponding text box, or use the **Advanced Content Editor**, explained in detail in **Chapter 7 - Editing Your Webpage**. The level of the category can be selected from the drop-down menu.



*For more information on adding text and using the ACE, see the **Adding Text and Advanced Content Editor** sections of this manual.*

Adding Links

- To add a link to your **Useful Links** page, click **Add New Link** from the **Edit** drop-down menu and a new window will open.

General

- Under the **General** tab in the new window, the first option is for a title to the link. Enter the title in the corresponding text box.
- Next, enter the link address in the URL text box.
- From the drop-down menu, choose whether you want your link to open in a new window or the same window.
- Next, you have the option to fill out the link description in the description text box. You can also use the **Advanced Content Editor**, explained fully in **Chapter 7 - Editing Your Webpage**, to provide a full description of the link.
- You can also choose what category you would like the link placed in from the drop-down category menu.

Styles

- From the Edit window, the next tab is the **Styles** tab. Here, you can choose the text styles which include the font size and color, bold or italics, alignment, and whether or not to make text HTML friendly.
- Select the **Border** box to open the border options. Choose the desired border color from the Color Picker and border size from the drop-down menu.
- Select the Background Color box to open the color options and choose the desired background color for this text field from the drop-down menu.
- Click the empty Color square in each to open the Color Picker.
- Move the cursor over the Color Picker and select the color by clicking in the desired color's circle. You will see your choice show up in the Color box.

Attachments

- Under the **Attachments** tab, you can upload images by clicking **Add an image**. Further explanation on adding an image and editing an image can be found in **Chapter 7 - Editing Your Webpage**.
- You can also add an alt tag to the image. An alt tag is the search criteria you want associated with your image.
- You can make the image a link, by clicking **Add a link**. In the pop-up window, simply type the web address you want to link to.
- Click **Done** to save your changes.
- Once you are finished entering the information for the category, click **Done** to save it or click **Save & New** to save it and create another category.

Chapter 10 - Advanced Editing

In addition to the options already detailed, many users have found there are helpful, advanced editing options offered in **SchoolCenter WebTools**.

Linking Pages

You can link to external pages. Sometimes this is for reference purposes, or simply because you have found an external web page that is useful. Linking to an external page is an option in **SchoolCenter WebTools**.

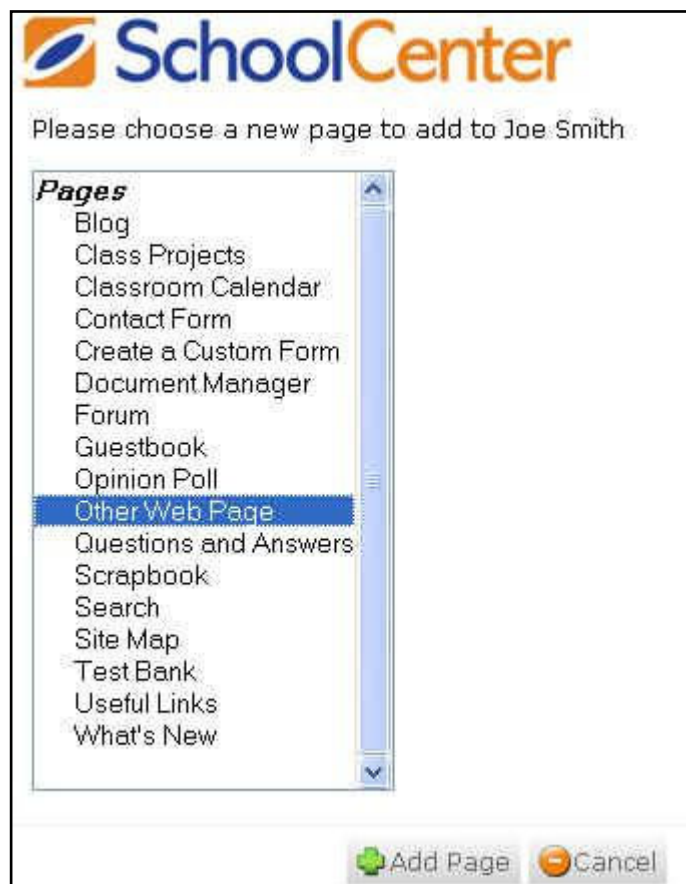
- First, you will need to copy the link you want to link to by either right-clicking in PC or function-clicking the link in Macs. Select **"Copy Shortcut"** or **"Copy Link Location."** This copies the address of the file.



*Do **NOT** left- click the link and copy the shortcut in the URL / address bar. If you do, you will see a /sctemp/ 1 in the address which will eventually cause your document link to expire.*

- To link to a page, you need to add a page. Choose **Add a Page** from the **Edit** drop-down menu.
- A new window will open. From this window, choose click **Other Web Page** option.
- Click **Add Page**.

Figure 10-1
Linking to Outside Pages



- A new window will open. Title this page as you would like it to appear in your navigation.



Figure 10-2
Other Page Page Settings

- Next, right click or Control-click for Mac and choose Paste Link.
- Click **Done** when you are finished.
- To see if the link works, you will need to be in View Mode.

Hidden Pages

Hidden Pages

Hidden Pages are pages that are hidden from view.

- On your homepage, click **Edit** to view your page in Edit Mode.
- Once in Edit mode, navigate to the page you want to hide.
- Click the **Edit** drop-down menu and select **Page Settings**.
- In the page settings window, choose the **Hide Link in Navigation** option under the **Details** tab.

Figure 10-3
Hide Link



- Click **Done** to save your changes.

Once you have hidden a page, you can view the page while in Edit Mode, but the link will not appear in the navigation once you are in View Mode.

URL Redirect

Password Protecting Pages

- By password-protecting a page, you are ensuring that only those who have the correct password may view the site. This means that the general public will have to sign on to use the site, so anyone without sign-on privileges will be unable to view your page. Those with sign-on access can view your page.
- To password-protect your page, navigate to the page in question.
- Once on the page you want password-protected, click the **Edit** drop-down menu and click **Page Settings**.
- In the pop-up window, choose **Password-Protect** this page in View mode.
- Enter in the user id and password you want for this page in the fields provided.
- Click **Done** to save your changes.

URL Redirect

URL Redirect is an option available from your homepage. For users who already have a website, URL Redirect allows them to use this site by redirecting their SchoolCenter page.

- To redirect your page, from your Home Page click the **Edit** drop-down menu. Click **Page Settings**.
- A new window will open. In this window, you are given the option to URL Redirect. Type the web address of the site you want this page redirected to.



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General Details

Home Page Settings

Site Title : Joe Smith

☐ Show hit counter

URL Redirect : http://www.myownwebsite.com

Subdirectory :

☐ Do not show link to School of Excellence

Page Settings

Page Type : Home

Page Title : Home

Homepage Style: ☒ Newsletter ☐ Scrapbook

☐ Hide all box titles

Page Design Done Cancel

Figure 10-4
URL Redirect



*Make sure to include the complete address as it appears in your browser.
Shortened web addresses will not get redirected properly.*

- Click **Done** to save your changes.

Copy Content

Copy Content

Copying content can be a huge time saver, especially if you find you are using the same information on different pages, or from year to year.

Copying Edit Fields

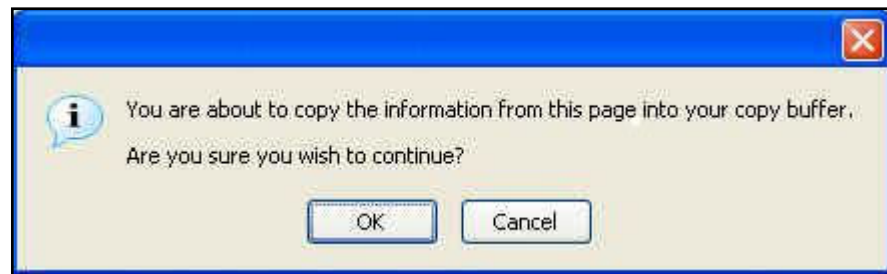
- You can simply and easily copy content from one edit field to paste in another.
- To copy content, make sure the page is in Edit Mode by clicking **Edit Mode**.
- Go to the field you want to copy. Click the **edit** icon and select copy content from the drop-down menu.
- A new window will open asking if you are sure that you want to copy. Click **ok**.
- The content has now been copied and is in the copy buffer.
- To paste the content, navigate to the area you want the content to appear.
- In Edit Mode, the edit fields should now have a **Paste** option. Click **Paste**.
- Your content will appear.

Copying Pages


In **SchoolCenter**, you can easily copy content from one page to another. This is a useful tool when archiving a previous year's website or duplicating pages.

- On the page that you want to copy the content on, click **Copy Page** in the **Edit** drop-down menu. This will place the page in what is called your **Copy Buffer**.
- A new window will open asking you to verify that you want to copy that page. Click **Ok**.

Figure 10-5
Copy Buffer



- To paste the copied content, add a new page or go to a current page that you want to paste the content to.

	<p><i>Content can only be pasted to the same type of page component. Example: If a Contact Form is copied, it can only be posted to another Contact Form page component.</i></p>
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- To paste the content, click the **Paste To This Page** icon.
- A new window will open asking you to verify pasting to this page. Click **OK**.

The content will now be pasted to your page.

- If you have more than one page copied, you can clear them out of the Copy Buffer by clicking the **Clear Copy Buffer** option in the drop-down menu.
- A new window will open verifying that you want to clear the buffer. Click **Ok**.

Moving a Page

Checking Links

Checking Links enables you to see what links are working on the page. You can check links in the Edit drop-down menu.

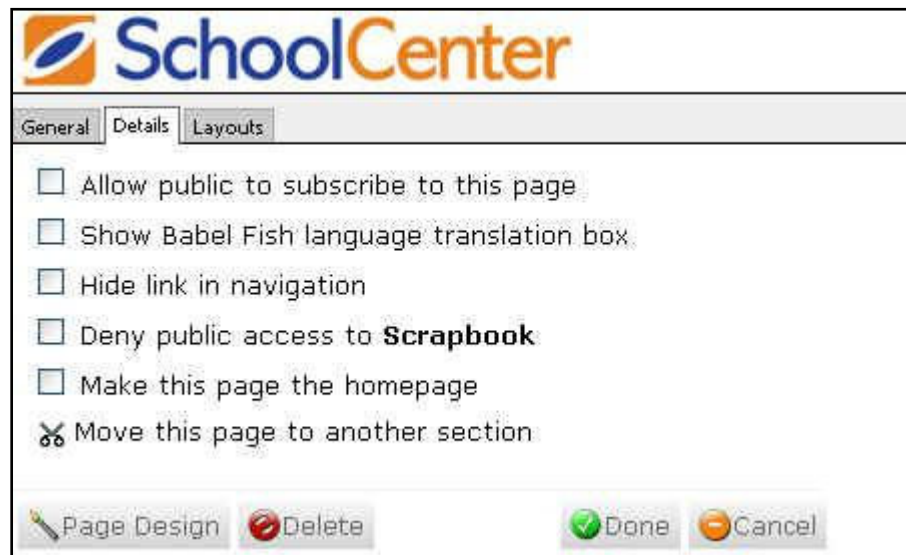
- After clicking the **Check Links** option in the **Edit** drop-down menu, a new window will appear asking you to wait while the links are checked.
- After a brief pause, another window will open telling you how many links you have per page. If any links are no longer working, then this information will be listed as well.

Moving a Page

You can move a page from an existing section to another section via the Page Settings.

- To move a page to another section click **Page Settings** in the **Edit** drop-down menu.
- In the Page Settings area, click the **Move This Page to another section** link.

Figure 10-6
Move A Page link



- The page will be copied to your **Move Buffer**. To place the page in a section, go to the homepage of the section you are moving it to. If you have selected to move a page, you will add the page to the site from that section's Homepage.
- A link will be placed in the Page Settings. Click the link to move the page to this section.

Moving a Section

Moving a Section

You have the option of moving sections from one area to another. This might be useful if a classroom has changed schools within a district or if you want to move administration pages from one school to another. This also might be necessary simply if an error is made and the wrong section is placed in an area it does not belong. You can move similar sections to different schools within the same district by using **SchoolCenter WebTools**.

There are two different ways to move a section. You can choose to move your section from the section page or from the section's homepage.

- The first way to move a section, such as Classrooms, Class Projects, Administrative Departments, is to navigate to the section page.
- Put the page in Edit Mode by choosing **Edit Mode** from the **Edit** drop-down menu.
- Once the page is in Edit Mode, click the **Move** icon located next to the section you want to move.
- A new window will open. Choose the school you would like your section moved to from the drop-down menu.
- Next, you have the option to choose the section page you would like your section moved to from the drop-down menu.
- Finally, you have the option to choose the category of your section from the drop-down menu.
- Click **Done**.
- To move a section, click the **Edit** drop-down menu from the homepage of the section you want to relocate.
- Click the **Page settings** option in the **Edit** drop-down menu. The Page Settings window will open.
- Click the **Details** tab.
- Under this tab is the option, **Move this section to another section list**. Click this option.
- The window will now say, **This section is currently in your move buffer**. Click **Done**.

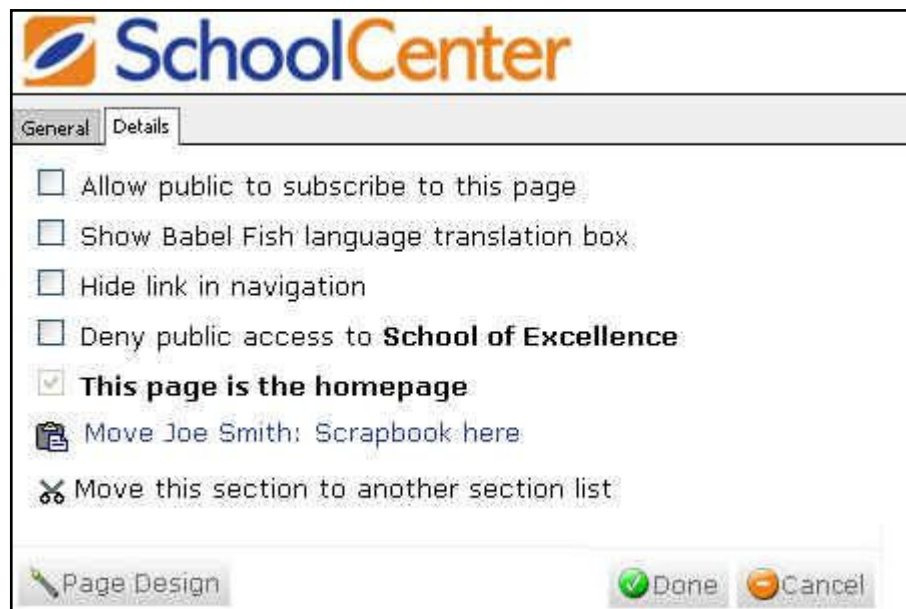


Figure 10-7
Moving a Section

- Navigate to the site you want to move your section.

- From this site, choose the area you want to add your section. For example, if your section was in Classrooms, you will choose the Classrooms pages. If it was from Clubs and Groups, you will choose the Clubs and Groups pages, etc.
- Once you have navigated to the appropriate section, click the **Edit** drop-down menu and choose **Pages Settings**.
- Once the Page Settings window opens, choose the **Details** tab.
- In the Details tab, there will be an option for "**Move [section name] here**". Click this option to move the section.
- A pop-up window will open asking if you are sure you want to move the section. Click **OK**.
- Click **Done** to save your changes.

Sharing Information

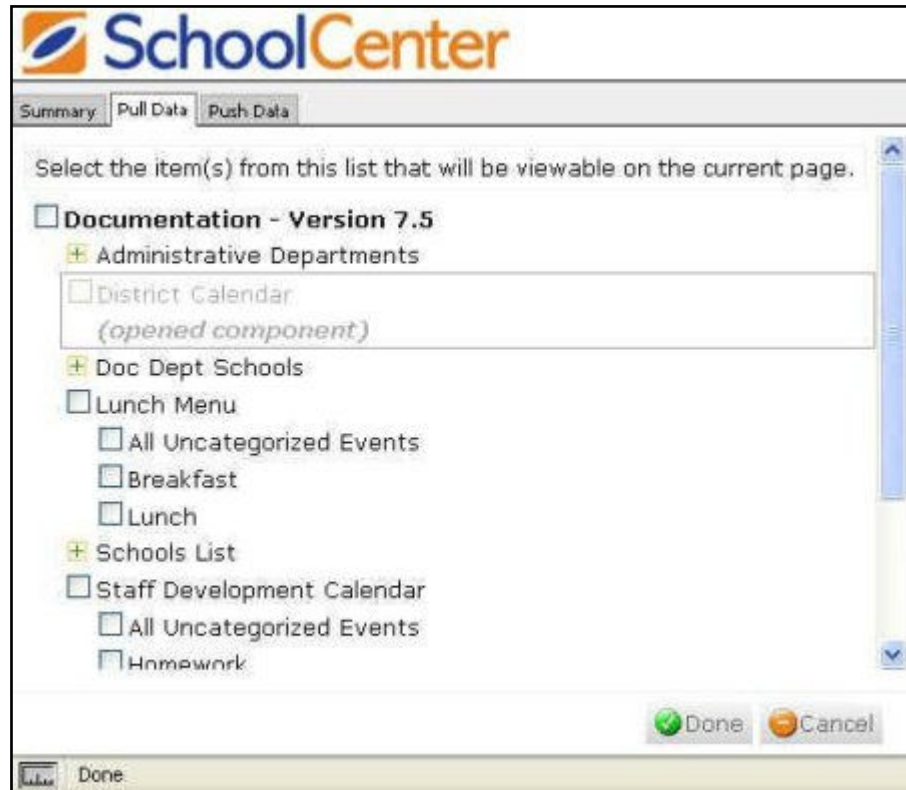
Sharing Information

Sharing information in **SchoolCenter WebTools** is extremely easy. For example, in the Calendar page, linking your calendar to the school or district calendar is as simple as clicking the Share Data option in the Edit drop-down menu. This means that per district or school, only one person needs to enter in vacation information, school events, School Board meetings, or any other event that others would want to be shown on their calendar. This feature is not limited to the Calendar page, but works on any page where Show Other is an option, such as What's New, School Board, Lunch Menu and other pages.

Share Data

A share feature has been built into the Calendar page component so that information entered on these pages may be shared from classroom to district, school to classroom, and school to school. In this way, information may be entered in one area and shared throughout the entire website.

Figure 10-8
Pull Data



- To share the data, you must be in Edit mode.
- While on the Calendar page, click the **Share Data** option from the **Edit** drop-down menu. This will open a new window with **Summary**, **Pull Data** and **Push Data** tabs.

Summary

- The **Summary** tab shows the pages, if any, that data is being pulled or pushed from. You can change the pages by clicking the page name in the page summary. This will take you to the Pull tab or the Push tab where you can select or clear pages.

Pull Data

- Click the **Pull Data** tab to show a list of pages in your site.
- Navigate to the page you want to pull data from, and then select the categories you want to place in your page.

- Once you are finished choosing sites, click **Done**. The data pulled from the other page will now appear on the site with a barrels icon located next to the information instead of an Edit icon. This means that you will not be able to edit the information, since it is pulled from another page. If the information is changed on the original page, it will subsequently change the information on your page.
- To remove the data from your page, click the **Pull Data** tab.
- Clear the check box and click **Done**. The data will then be removed from your page.

Push Data

- To push data to another site, you must be a system Administrator. Instead of taking information from another site, you are giving information, or pushing data, to other sites throughout the district. This can be used for **district** holiday schedules and other events you want to appear on other sites.
- Click the **Push Data** tab. This tab does the opposite of the Pull Data.
- Place a check next to the categories you want to place in your page.
- Once you are finished choosing sites, click **Done**. The data pushed to the other page will now appear on those sites with barrel icons located next to the information instead of an Edit icon. This means that the information cannot be edited, since it is pulled from another page. If the information is changed on the original page, it will subsequently change the information on your page.

Sharing Data with Page Summary

Another simple way to share information is through the Newsletter page component. Through the Page summary component, you can simply link to another page. This is helpful in many situations and saves the trouble of having to re-enter information you would like to use on your page.

In many instances, several people will need to use the exact same information, such as homework assignments, test days, or even an instructional video or other attachments. Instead of each person entering this information, one person can enter the information with others linking to it, which saves time and energy.

Page Summary

- Navigate to the page you want to add your shared information. Choose **Edit Mode** from the **Edit** drop-down menu.
- To access the page summary, click the edit icon for the newsletter box and then choose the **Edit Box Content** from the drop-down menu.
- Page Summary is found under the Options tab. By clicking **Back to List**, you will find the page summary. A page summary will show in your newsletter box a summary from another page. This is most frequently used with Calendar pages and Lunch Menu pages, but can be used for any page that is listed in the summary list.

Figure 10-9
Box Options



- After clicking the **Page Summary** option, a new window will open. From this window, choose the page you would like summarized in your newsletter box.
- After you have chosen the page to summarize, you are given the option to hide title box for the item and make the summary title a link to this page. This will allow users to click the newsletter box title and be taken to the summarized page. You can also choose how many items you want shown in the newsletter box and how you would like to group recurring events.

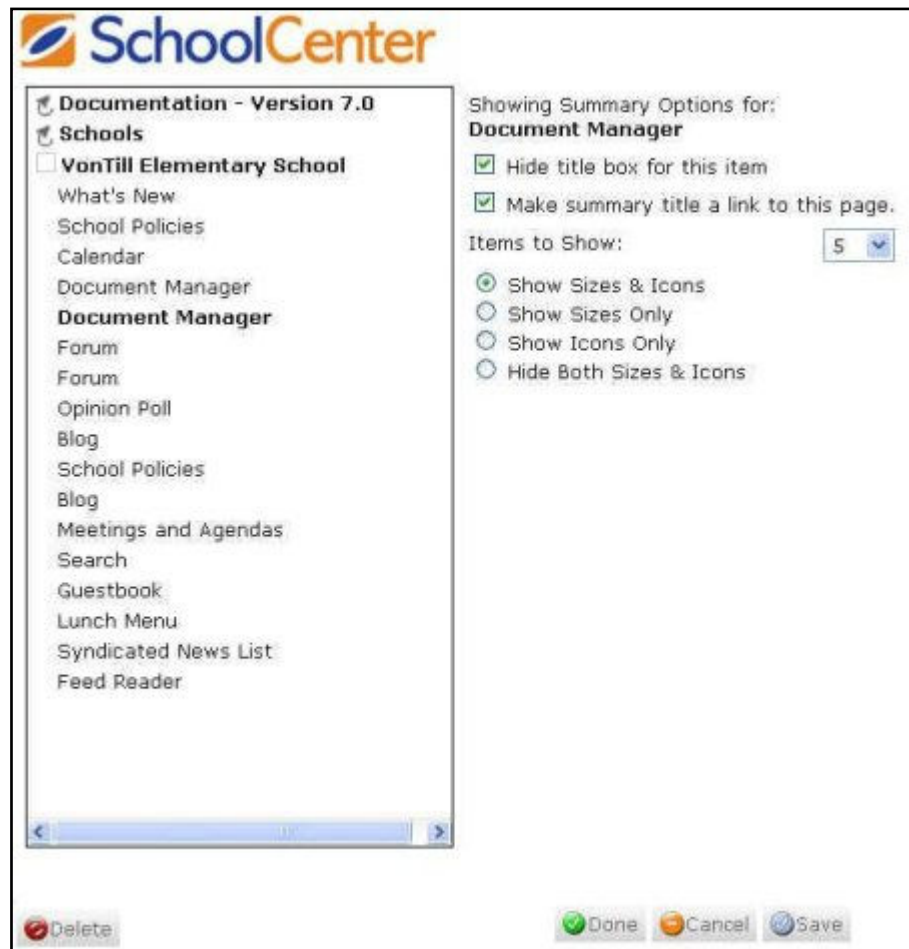


Figure 10-10
Page Summary

- Once you have made your selections you may click **Done** to be taken back to the Back to List screen.

Glossary

A

AC3 - AC3 is an audio file format that is compatible with SchoolCenter's software.

Active Directory - Active Directory is a Microsoft Windows tool used to organize information and settings for an organization in a central database.

Active Link Color - The active link color is the color of the text while selecting the link, but before actually leaving the site. As you place your mouse pointer over the link, the active link color appears. When the pointer is removed, the link returns to its original color.

Add Picture & Text - The Add Picture & Text button within the SchoolCenter program allows you to add new items to your pages.

Add-on Service - Additional software service that interacts with SchoolCenter's software. Examples of such additional services include email, additional web hosting, ftp access, domain hosting, and content approval.

Administrative Departments - These pages allow you to set up non-academic departments for your district or school. Under each department, you can input images, text, and all relevant information about the department.

Advanced Content Editor- The Advanced Content Editor (ACE) is used to apply a special format to text.

Anchor - An anchor is a tool within the Advanced Content Editor (ACE) that will allow the user to create a link to a specific area on the same page. For example, the user may create a link at the top of the page that, when clicked, takes the page viewer directly to a section near the bottom of the page without refreshing the page.

Animated GIF- An animated GIF is a graphic image that moves (e.g., a twirling icon, a banner with a hand that waves, or letters that become larger.).

Apache web server - Apache web server is the web server system used by SchoolCenter.

Application - An application is a program designed to perform a specific function directly for the user or for another application program. Examples of application programs include word processors, database programs, web browsers, development tools, drawing, paint, image editing programs, and communication programs. SchoolCenter is an application program that provides the tools to assist in the development and maintenance of your website.

B

BMP - .BMP is a graphics file extension that is compatible with SchoolCenter's software.

Babel Fish - Babel Fish is a tool that will translate a web page into Chinese, German, Japanese, Korean, French, Italian, Portuguese, or Spanish. This tool is optional and available on each page.

Background Color- This is the base color of the site background.

Background Image- A graphic can be uploaded from your hard-drive and used as a background for the site. When using the SchoolCenter program, images are tiled to fill the screen.

Banner Image- A Banner Image is a graphic image that announces the name and identity of a site and often is spread across the width of the web page. A banner image can replace the Title Bar.

Board - See Message Board.

Blog - A Blog is a SchoolCenter component that allows a user to create journal style entries that display in reverse chronological order. This component may also allow other users or visitors to leave comments about the author's post.

Browse - The Browse button lets you view the file names in your disk folders.

Browser - The browser is the program you are using to visit sites and download information on the web. The two most common browsers are Internet Explorer and Netscape Navigator.

Bug - An identified error in software or hardware. If the bug is in software, it can be corrected by changing the program. If the bug is in hardware, new circuits have to be designed.

C

Calendar- This page allows you to post event information in a calendar format. The name, date, time, category, and details for each event are also available through this page.

Cell Padding - Cell Padding is a value set within the Table Properties in the Advanced Content Editor (ACE) that determines the minimum width within each cell.

Cell Spacing - Cell Spacing is a value set within the Table Properties in the Advanced Content Editor (ACE) that determines the spacing between each cell in the table.

Cancel - The Cancel option redirects you back to the previous page without adding any new information into a component or page.

Categorized Scrapbook - With a Categorized Scrapbook page, a user can create categories under which they can list links to other internet sites for visitors to their website to access. These categories might include educational resources, community pages, etc.

Classrooms - A Classroom is a designated area off the main school site. This area allows teachers to create unlimited web pages for their classroom.

Cleanup Messy Code Tool - The Cleanup Messy Code Tool is a tool located within the Advanced Content Editor (ACE) that removes extraneous HTML code that might otherwise adversely affect the appearance of content on the page.

Clubs & Groups - A designated area off the main school site. This area allows club or group sponsors to create unlimited web pages for their club or group.

Color Picker - The color picker is a tool that opens in a pop-up window that gives the user the ability to set a color for any feature of the software where the color is changeable.

Component- A component is a template. Templates provide the easy creation of different types of web pages. SchoolCenter has many different components available to users (e.g., Calendar, Scrapbook, Document Manager and many more).

Contact Directory - A Contact Directory is a SchoolCenter component that allows you to make a directory for the contacts in your school or district.

Contact Form - A Contact Form is a form available at each level of the program that allows parents and others to contact school personnel. Users fill out a form and your email address is never displayed.

Content Approval - An add-on service requiring administrative approval before web page content becomes publicly available.

Content Management System - A Content Management Tool is a template that provides for the easy creation of different types of web pages. SchoolCenter has many different tools available to users (e.g., Calendar, Scrapbook, Document Manager and many more).

Custom Navigation - Custom Navigation is a feature that allows you to group similar links under a main link, also referred to as a parent link.

D

Database - A database is a collection of records stored in a computer in a systematic way so that a computer program can consult it to answer questions. The items retrieved in answer to queries become information used to make decisions. The computer program used to manage and query a database is known as a database management system (DBMS). The properties and design of database systems are included in the study of information science.

Delete - The Delete option deletes data and redirects you to the previous page.

Desktop - The Desktop is the site management for the SchoolCenter program. The Desktop Page allows users to add new users to the site, navigate easily throughout the site, edit the layout of the site, define area access, add or remove components, view occurrences of profanities, view website statistics, and other administrative functions.

District Calendar - The District Calendar page allows you to post information in a calendar format. The name, date, time, category, and details for each event are also available through this page. Multiple calendars can be created for the district.

DNS - The Domain Name System (DNS) is a global network of servers that translate host names like www.schoolcenter.com into numerical IP (Internet Protocol) addresses like 255.255.255.255, which computers on the internet use to communicate with each other.

Document Manager - This page allows you to post documents or files that are common to your district. The Document Manager is available in every department and will accept over 350 different file types.

Done - The Done option saves the data and redirects to the previous page.

Download - Downloading is the process of saving files to your computer from another source (e.g., the internet). People often download files such as free-ware, share-ware, installation programs, sounds, movie clips, text files, news streams for viewing or listening, and countless other types of files.

Drill-down Navigation - Drill-down navigation is the string of links located near the top of the page. The function of drill-down navigation is to help the user quickly locate where he or she is within the hierarchy of a website. As a user moves down the hierarchy and into specific sections of the software, links to the top level of the section will be available. Thus, a user who has navigated down to a classroom page may quickly navigate back up to the district site by clicking on the district link at the beginning of the drill-down navigation.

E

Edit- This feature brings up a text box where you can type in information for inclusion on your website. Other options available allow you to edit the size, alignment, and style of the text. You also have the ability to preview what the text will look like on your page before saving it. In addition, you have access to a spell checker.

F

FTP - (File Transfer Protocol) A protocol used to transfer files over a TCP/IP network (internet, Unix, etc.). For example, after developing the HTML pages for a website on a local computer, they are typically uploaded to the Web server using FTP.

Feed Reader - A feed reader, also known as a news aggregator, is a software application or remotely-hosted service that collects syndicated information such as news, sports scores, weather forecasts and reference materials from various sources and makes it available to its customers.

Font - A set of type characters of a particular typeface design and size. Usually, each typeface (Times Roman, Helvetica, Arial, etc.) is made available in four variations: normal weight, bold, italic and bold italic. Fonts come built into the printer, as plug-in cartridges or as soft fonts, which reside on the computer's hard disk or a hard disk built into the printer.

G

GIF- GIF is an abbreviation for Graphical Interchange Format. GIF is a digital image format developed by CompuServe to help the transfer of image files through their online service, but now used universally on the internet, web, and even CD-ROM applications. A GIF image will have the file extension .gif. GIF is a file extension format that is compatible with SchoolCenter's software.

Group Access - Any SchoolCenter component can be created so that it is only accessible to one or more user groups. For example, a calendar can be set up so only users with a teacher level access can view it.

H

Hide Title - Hide Title lets a user hide the title bar in order to replace the title bar with a banner-sized image.

Homepage - The home page is the first page that viewers see when accessing your school or district site. It is also the first page available when clicking on a teacher's classroom, an administrative department, club, group, or sports page.

HTML - HTML (Hypertext Markup Language) is the set of symbols or codes inserted in a file intended for display on a World Wide Web browser page. HTML tells the web browser how to display words and images of a web page for the user. Although knowledge of HTML is not necessary for use of the SchoolCenter program, it can be implemented into the text boxes.

I

Icon - An Icon is a visual representation of an operation or function within the software.

Intranet - An intranet is a private network that is contained within an enterprise. The main purpose of an intranet is to share information and computing resources among a select group of users, while not being available to those outside an organization.

J

JPEG - JPEG, or jpg, is the abbreviation for Joint Photographic Experts Group and is a digital image format. This format uses a standard compression for color images, allowing more graphical information to be stored in smaller files. This image format is used universally on the web and in some local software and CD-ROM applications. JPEG file extensions are compatible with SchoolCenter's software.

L

LDAP - LDAP (Lightweight Directory Access Protocol) is a network protocol that allows for the querying and modifying directory services.

Lead Tech - The person who is assigned by the site administrator to manage the website for one or more schools. This person is generally responsible for setting up classrooms and training the teachers as well as maintaining the site.

Legacy Mode - Legacy Mode refers to a method of functionality used in a previous version of the software.

Limited Access - SchoolCenter program users can be assigned privileges to edit and administer a specific component such as the school's calendar or a district message board. Any of the four levels of access can be assigned to this user.

Link - A link is a reference or navigation element in a document to another section of the same document, or a specified section of another document, that automatically brings the referred information to the user when the navigation element is selected by the user. As such, it is similar to a citation in literature, but with the distinction of automatic instant access

Link Color - The color of the links on your website prior to being visited.

Listserve - A listserve is an electronic mailing list. A listserve may be a discussion group or may be announcement-only. Users may subscribe or unsubscribe to the listserve through commands sent to a specific email address on the listserve. Likewise, within a discussion group, users may post messages by sending the message to a specific email address on the listserve, which in turn, emails a copy of the message to all subscribers. In an **announcement-only** listserve, only a select few people, called moderators, are allowed to post messages.

Local Account - A Local account involves all sites, district and schools, Local on servers in SchoolCenter's datacenter.

M

M4A - An M4A is an audio file that is compatible with SchoolCenter's software.

MP3 - An MP 3 is an audio file extension format that is compatible with SchoolCenter's software.

MIDI - MIDI is an audio file extension format that is compatible with SchoolCenter's software.

Main Site Admin - Main Site Administrators are responsible for adding users and managing the administrative functions of the website. There is no higher level of access. This access is granted to only one User account.

Meetings and Agendas - This page allows you to post information about meetings and agendas for upcoming meetings in your school or district.

Message Board - A Message Board is a dedicated spot for individuals to have threaded discussions by posting and replying to messages. This component is available at each level of the program. The message board administrator must approve both messages and replies before they appear live on the site.

Meta tags - Meta tags are descriptive keywords pertaining to content on the page added in the Page Settings. These meta tags are used to help a visitor find content they are looking for when they use the Site Search.

My Desktop - This button takes you to the Desktop Page for the area that you have privileges to (e.g., district, school, classroom, etc.).

MySQL - MySQL is a Relational Database Management System (RDBMS) that relies on SQL for processing the data in the database.

N

Navigation Links - Navigation is the list of links that a user or visitor to a web page would use to go to various pages on the site. Navigation may be located on the top, right, or bottom of the web page, but it is most commonly found on the left side.

Navigation Tools - Navigation Tools refers to the SchoolCenter interface that a user would use to build the navigation on a web page.

Newsletter Style - The Newsletter style component is what you use to insert pictures and text to your homepage. The Newsletter style gives you a way to create fields arranged in columns that can display different information each time the page is refreshed. Not only do you have the option of displaying pictures and text, but you can also share information from other pages.

Non-Student Organizations - Non-Student Organizations are departments in the school that are not directly related to students or administration (e.g., PTA or sports booster clubs).

O

Onsite Account - An onsite account involves all sites, district and schools, hosted on a SchoolCenter server located on the district/school network.

Other Web Page - The Other Web Page component allows you to add a link to a web page outside of the SchoolCenter pages.

P

Page Design - In the Desktop, this area allows the user to edit colors, navigation layout, font type and font size, add background and header images, and other layout options for their site.

Password - A password is a unique and individual word, or series of numbers, that is assigned to users of the SchoolCenter program. The password is used to log onto the site.

PDF - PDF (Portable Document Format) is a file format that has captured all the elements of a printed document as an electronic image. To view and use the files, you need the free program Acrobat Reader.

PHP - PHP is the code SchoolCenter's software is written in.

Pixel: A pixel (a word invented from "picture element") is the basic unit of color on a computer display or in a computer image.

Podcast - A podcast is an audio or video file that is distributed through subscription over the internet via syndication. While the audio or video file may be available directly from the authors' web page, a podcast uses a third party application to aggregate the files. Within the SchoolCenter software, the Document Manager can be used to create a podcast.

Privileges - The website or designated portions of the website that a user has the right to edit using the SchoolCenter program.

Profanity Filter- The Profanity Filter is a feature within the SchoolCenter program that filters inappropriate words and language so they will not show up on the web pages. Once the Profanity Filter is turned on, profanities are monitored automatically through the program.

Pull Data - Pull Data is a function within the software that allows a user to show data from another component on a component the user has created. This allows the user to show data they created/posted as well as data brought in from another component. This function works with the Calendar, Contact Directory, Document Manager, Meetings & Agendas, Useful Links, and What's New components.

Push Data - Push Data is a function within the software that allows the Main Site Administrator to show data from a particular component on another component as well. This function works with the Calendar, Contact Directory, Document Manager, Meetings & Agendas, Useful Links, and What's New components.

Q

Questions and Answers - This page allows frequently asked questions and the answers to be posted to your website. As with most of the SchoolCenter components, descriptive text may be added to the top or bottom of the page.

R

Radio Button - A radio button, found throughout the SchoolCenter program, is a graphical user interface element whereby the user is presented with a list of options of which only one may be selected. Typically, a radio button is circular in shape and empty if unselected, and has a black dot in the center if selected.

RSS - RSS (Really Simple Syndication) is a type of web feed format used to publish regularly updated content. An RSS reader will aggregate several feeds so that the user may read them all from one site.

Resolution - Resolution is the number of pixels, or individual points of color, contained on a display monitor or a graphic image. Resolution is expressed as dpi, or dots per inch.

S

Save - The Save button, found throughout the SchoolCenter program, allows you to save text, images, or other information.

School Board: A program component that allows you to post information and/or images of your school board members.

School History: A component that permits you to include your school's history, with images, on the school website.

School Map: A component page that allows you to post maps of your school building or driving directions by inputting images and text.

School Policies: With this page you can list your school's policies.

Scores: In the Sports Zone pages, you can list the scores from athletic events, show pictures of your teams, and input any other pertinent information about your team.

Scrapbook: This page allows you to add text and graphics to create scrapbook pages for your school. You may create unlimited scrapbook pages.

Scrapbook - The Scrapbook component allows you to add text and graphics to create scrapbook pages for your school. You may create unlimited scrapbook pages.

Section - A section is an area in your website. Examples of sections are District, School, Classrooms, Administration Departments, Clubs and Groups, Non-Student Organizations and Sports Zones.

Server - A server is a computer or device on a network that manages network resources. For example, a file server is a computer and storage device dedicated to storing files. Any user on the network can store files on the server. A print server is a computer that manages one or more printers. A network server is a computer that manages network traffic. A database server is a computer system that processes database queries.

Share Data - Share Data is a function that allows the user to either pull in data from another component or push data to another component. Currently, the push function is only available to the Main Site Administrator.

Side Navigation Bar - The rectangular box that surrounds the websites links. This will only appear if you choose to have your links located on the side view. The side navigation bar can be hidden by making its color the same as the background color.

Site Administrator - A Site Administrator is the person (or persons) who is the primary administrator of the SchoolCenter Program. This person generally is either a Technology Coordinator or a Web Master. The site administrator has complete access over the whole program.

SIF - SIF (Schools Interoperability Framework) is the specification for modeling data and information in an XML format for sharing that information between software applications in the educational sphere.

SSL - SSL (Secure Sockets Layer) provides for secure transmission of information over the internet. Within the SchoolCenter software, everything within the desktop interface will be encrypted as it is transmitted, the only exception being areas where the Advanced Content Editor (ACE) is used. At this time, only the Desktop is encrypted and not individual pages.

Syndication - Syndication refers to a section of content on a web page that is available for use by other websites or may be pulled by a Feed Reader.

T

TIF - A TIF, also known as a Tagged Image File, is a graphics file extension format that is compatible with SchoolCenter's software.

Table - A table is a collection of information displayed in a matrix. Also called an "array," tables may remain constant or be updated.

Template - A template is a pattern used as a guide when developing a site or page. SchoolCenter templates are the components that help you in developing your website.

Ticket/Trouble Ticket - A ticket refers to SchoolCenter's system of identifying problems that users of our software have reported. When a ticket is issued, SchoolCenter takes action to correct the trouble. This system is effective in allowing SchoolCenter to track the process of a problem with the software.

Title Background - The title background is the rectangular box that surrounds the title at the top of every page.

Title Bar - The title bar is the descriptive text at the top of the page usually enclosed in a rectangular box that announces the name and identity of a site.

Title Font - The title font is the text font type that appears within the rectangular box at the top of every website page (e.g., Ariel, Times New Roman, etc.).

Toggle Guidelines - Toggle Guidelines is a tool in the Advanced Content Editor (ACE) used to show or hide invisible elements within the editing area, such as table cells and borders.

Truncate - Truncate refers to limiting something within the software by an amount of time or length of characters. For example, the option to "Truncate Users by Graduation Date" will remove users from the system based on their graduation date. Likewise, on user imports where the user name or password exceeds 15 characters, the user name or password will be limited to the first 15 characters only.

U

Upload - Upload refers to the process of creating an exact copy of a file from a user's local computer on a Onsite Server. This file is then simply stored or used on a web page.

URL - An Internet address (for example, <http://www.schoolcenter.net/newsletter>), usually consisting of the access protocol (http), the domain name (www.schoolcenter.net), and optionally the path to a file or resource residing on that server (newsletter).

Useful Links - With this page, a user can list links to websites outside of SchoolCenter. These links might include educational resources or community pages.

User - A User is anyone who has been issued a User ID and password for the SchoolCenter program in order to update, manage information, or view areas of the site. The Site Administrator determines what access level will be assigned to the users.

User ID, Logon - This is the unique and individual nickname the User is given to log onto SchoolCenter. It is also known as the Logon Name or Login ID.

User Selectable - User Selectable is a setting within the Admin settings. Setting this option will allow the user to choose between new edit mode and legacy edit mode.

V

Visited Link Color - The Visited Link Color is the color of the link after the link has been visited.

Visitor - A Visitor is anyone who visits your district or school website. Visitors can be issued a User ID and Password to view password-protected areas of the site.

W

WAV - A Wav is an audio file extension format that is compatible with SchoolCenter's software.

Weblog- A weblog is a dedicated spot for individuals to have threaded discussions by posting messages. This component is available at each level of the program. The weblog administrator must approve replies before they appear live on the site. Can be used as an online diary or a personal chronological log of thoughts published on a Web page.

WebMail - WebMail is the name of the SchoolCenter Email Management Solution.

Web page - A Web page is one page in your site or section. Examples of a web page would be a Homepage, Calendar, and Scrapbook.

Web Quest - Web Quest is a research activity in which students collect information from Internet resources.

WebTools - WebTools is the name of the SchoolCenter Content Management Solution.

What's New - A SchoolCenter component that allows you to post the title, date, and a brief description for each new item. This page is useful for posting upcoming news and changes that occur in your district or school. This component is available in all sections.

Z

ZIS - ZIS (Zone Integration Server) is the key component of SIF and makes SIF possible. It is a server that creates a central point of communication among the various systems within the school framework.

