

School Tube review/McKee

What are the limitations?

1. not useful for classroom instruction
2. not useful for SOL instruction
3. site set up/organization confusing

Is it blocked?

No

Are certain videos within blocked?

No

Is it worth a closer look? Why?

No. The only purpose of the site seems to be sharing videos (i.e. YouTube) without any clear instructional purpose. However, if a teacher is interested in teaching video production, there are some good videos to show as an example (i.e. The Cookie).

What are the risks associated with using it?

Although I did not see anything risqué, I'd have a difficult time explaining to C & I the instructional value of this website.

Concerns:

- I saw classroom videos that showed students' faces
- Teachers were using FPMusic—license violation (unless they paid for it)
- Layout might be confusing
- Seem like some videos posted are brag fests
- Videos are shown by highest rated—no real organization (i.e. I'd like a video on how to...). I just see categories and a dumping of videos under that. You have to search through each one to find something you like.
- Videos are of such high quality that I wonder if I could get up to that level
- Seems to be more HS oriented
- How could PPS/IT monitor usage (i.e. faces/license violations)

Like:

- Free
- High quality video production—can challenge aspiring editors (or depress them)
- Ideas for video production
- Travel videos section was interesting (but sure not SOL friendly)
- Can be a resource for ideas for teachers who want to use MM in the classroom