



Optional Interest Inventory for The Jewish Ed Project Networks

One of the key roles of a network facilitator is to build relationships with each participant and to help participants connect and build relationships with each other. One tool that may be helpful is a short interest inventory that gives the facilitator a chance to learn important background information about who will be participating in the network. You may want to include several short questions as part of your welcome letter and request that participants email you their responses. Or, you may want to ask participants to complete an interest inventory as part of the initial meeting or as a follow-up to the first meeting. Or you may prefer to use a more informal approach to building a relationship with your network.

Some possible questions: (Feel free to write your own or to select the ones that are most fitting for your network).

- What brings you to this network? What would make this network most valuable to you? (for continuing members: What brings you back to this network? What would make this network most valuable to you in this coming year?)
- What are you most passionate about related to innovation in Jewish education? (or related to the specific issue network is focused around?) What are you most interested in working on?
- What are some of your skills and strengths that you bring to this network?
- What are some of the challenges you are facing?
- What kinds of people/resources do you need to address these challenges?

Other information you would like to share: