

Classroom Sound-field Amplification A Cost Effective Solution

Anything that enhances a child's ability to learn, and is cost effective at the same time, will always prove a wise investment for learners and instructors at all levels. In fact, in our experience once people experience the benefits of using our system it's almost impossible to persuade them to give it up.

When considering if a sound field system is right for you and your school consider the following:

Compare the benefits of sound to more traditional expenditures. Instead of furniture, paint, or some other inanimate equipment - none of which enhance a student's ability to hear the instructor - consider placing a couple of systems in learning areas where excessive noise is a problem. After a few weeks, ask the students and the teacher to discuss the difference. You'll be surprised at how much they come to rely on and appreciate amplified sound.

A sound field can save money. Find out how many instructors suffer from voice related maladies – sore throats, laryngitis etc. and how costly it is to pay sick leave and sub fees when they miss work.

Do you own cost analysis: For example:

With an eye to reducing the \$2600 per student cost of placing learning impaired students into learning disability (LD) programs, the Putnam County School District in Ohio (at a cost of \$1500 per unit) phased in sixty sound-field systems in mainstream classrooms between the years 1985 –1990.

At the end of the five-year period the number of student's (26) placed in LD programs decreased by nearly forty percent. Do the math. TeachLogic systems are reasonably priced and unlike much of today's technology, they will not become obsolete. Based on an average class size of thirty-two students, the cost per student translates to about \$4.00 per year. Weigh that against the cost of a LD program and one can easily see that sound in the classroom translates to a sound financial decision.