# Using the Classroom Performance System (CPS) 6.5



1. Create a New Database (Suggestion: Before creating your database, create a "CPS" folder on your desktop. That's where you will save your database and all other CPS-related files.)

### 2. Plug in and Detect your CPS Receiver

- a. Click the <u>eInstruction Tools</u> icon in the system tray and select "Device Manager." (If the eInstruction Tools icon is not visible, go to the <u>Start</u> Menu, <u>All Programs</u>, <u>eInstruction</u> folder, <u>Device Manager</u> folder and click <u>Device Manager</u>.)
- b. The eInstruction devices that are connected to the computer and recognized by the Device Manager will display with a green check mark. If your USB-connected devices are not visible, click <u>Options</u>, <u>Discover Devices</u>.
- c. To change the properties of a device, double click it.

### 3. How to check the channel number on RF response pads:

- a. Start with the pad Off.
- b. Press and hold the power button.
- c. With the power button pushed, press the right arrow button
- d. Release both buttons
- e. Press the right arrow button twice. (At this point, you should see a screen with CH: XX. The two-digit number after CH: is your channel number.)
- f. If you need to change the channel number of your receiver, do the following
  - Double click the receiver in the device manager.
    - Type in the new Base Channel and click <u>OK</u>.
- g. If you need to check the channel number on a Pulse clicker, press the power button and let the clicker warm up. Then click the menu button and the right arrow until you see the channel number.

### 4. Create a Class

- a. Click the <u>Prepare</u> tab.
- b. Click the <u>Classes & Students</u> button.
- c. Click <u>New>Class</u>. The CPS New Class Wizard appears and will walk you through creating a class. Tip: In "Attendance Options", select "Display new attendance sessions in the reports tab"
- After finishing the wizard. Click on the class you have created and then click <u>New>Student</u> and enter students' information into the table. (or import from eSembler!)

### 5. Verbal Questions: Out of the Box Engagement, On the Fly Assessment

- a. From the <u>Engage</u> tab, click the <u>Engage Verbal</u> icon.
- b. Type a Session Title of your choice.
- c. Select a class that you have previously created or click <u>Create</u> to create a default class and follow the screen directions.
- d. Click OK to start
- e. The Engagement Toolbar floats over any content that you would like to display (websites, MS PowerPoint, MS Word, etc.) on your PC.
- f. Click the <u>Verbal</u> button on the Toolbar and select the type of question from the pulldown menu (i.e.: Multiple Choice A-D). The software will begin receiving responses.
- g. Click End to stop receiving responses.
- h. After receiving responses, mark the correct answer by using the <u>Correct Answer</u> pulldown menu at the bottom of the charting screen.
- i. Click <u>Close</u> to close the charting screen and move to the next question.

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The CPS can be effectively used without typing questions into the software.

The **Chalkboard** button allows you to author a question in your own handwriting or annotate directly over a graphic using the Import Image button. You are able to ask your question using this unique interface. A snapshot of the screen is saved in the report.

You may utilize your PowerPoint files by adding them into the CPS software (just like the ExamView files in #6). Create a PowerPoint folder or add them into another folder so you may engage them like a CPS or ExamView lesson. Insert each question as an individual slide and treat them like Verbal Questions.

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- 6. Adding Current ExamView Content (for more information on ExamView, visit www.fscreations.com)
  - a. Install ExamView from the Install disc that accompanied your Textbook adoption. Note the locations of the installed files.
  - From the <u>Prepare</u> tab > <u>Lessons & Assessments</u> tab, highlight the desired location (*ExamView, etc.*).
  - c. Click <u>Add File(s)...</u> in the "Lessons" section.
  - d. Browse your computer to find the ExamView file you would like to add and click Open.
  - e. The ExamView file will now be located in the *desired location* in the <u>Lessons</u> tab.
- 7. Create your own Content, to be engaged in Standard Mode, Student Managed, Teacher Led, or as a Challenge Board
  - a. From the Prepare tab, click the Lessons & Assessments button.
  - b. Select New>Lesson.
  - c. Provide your desired Lesson name. Click Ok.
  - d. Highlight your newly named Lesson and select New>Question.
  - e. In the 'format" section select the question type (i.e.: "MC4" for Multiple Choice with 4 answer choices)
  - f. (To change the font to be viewed on the screen, select the options from the "font" section. Note: You can select the "check mark" icon to select the question and answer stems to change them all at once.)
  - g. (If you want to put in graphics, choose Template>Add Graphics from the "format" section, choose where you want the graphics to appear, click the picture area, and browse for your file.)
  - h. Provide the appropriate question, and answer choices.
  - i. Check correct answer in the check box.
  - j. Assign appropriate Standards, Notes, or Media files, by clicking on the Question icon in the "Options" section.
  - k. Save the Question by clicking the Diskette icon.

#### 8. Engaging Pre-made or ExamView Questions

- a. Title of your choice
- b. Select the appropriate class from the Class pull down menu *or* select <u>Advanced</u> to create your class and follow the on-screen directions.
- c. To engage in Student Managed Assessment mode (Teacher Led, Student Paced, or Student Practice), click <u>Assessment Setup</u> and then the appropriate mode at this point.
- d. Click <u>Engage Teach</u> in Standard mode or <u>Engage Assessment</u> in Student Managed mode
- e. Click <u>Next</u> on the floating tool bar (Standard Mode)
- f. Click <u>Start</u> to begin receiving responses

#### 9. Using FastGrade

- a. Click the Prepare>Lessons and Assessments tab
- b. Select the lesson name to which you are adding he Fast Grade Lesson
- c. Click New in the Home group
- d. Select the <u>FastGrade Menu</u> item, <u>The Lesson Attributes</u> window opens.
- e. Type a name for the <u>FastGrade lesson</u> the <u>Title</u> box > click OK
- f. Fill the lesson <u>Title</u> ><u>Number of questions</u> > <u>Properties</u> > <u>Question type etc.</u>
- g. Click the <u>Blue answer button</u> that corresponds with the question type and correct answer for each question
- h. <u>Repeat</u> until you've entered every question.
- i. Click OK

#### \*Make sure Windows settings are optimized for a projection environment

- a. Task bar at the bottom should be on "Auto-hide" (Task bar and Start Menu properties [accessed by right-clicking the Task bar]>Auto-hide Taskbar)
- b. Screen Resolution should be at 800x600 or 1024x768 (Display properties [accessed by right-clicking the Desktop]>settings>resolution)
- c. DPI should be set to 96 dpi (Display properties [accessed by right-clicking the Desktop]>settings>Advanced>General)

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Learning a few easy functions can give you lots of benefit with very little time commitment.

By clicking on <u>Settings</u> you are able to choose <u>Delivery</u> <u>Options</u> for your questions (Timer features, Auto Start the Question, etc.). This is also accessed from the Question Tool Bar by choosing the Gear icon (lower left of screen).

Use the <u>Report</u> Tab to access results for each Session. Highlight the session title under <u>Reports</u> and choose <u>Generate</u>. Highlight the report type and click <u>Preview</u> to see the specific report.

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