

**The Commons 1<sup>st</sup> Year Activity**  
**Practice Presentation Room – START**  
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The Commons' Practice Presentation Room (PPR) is an extension of the Office of Information Technology (OIT) services provided in campus technology enhanced classrooms. The PPR is equipped with a SMART Board interactive whiteboard, software, and laptop computer for students, faculty, or staff to reserve for practicing and/or delivering presentations.

Starting mid-October 2005, members of the Student Technology Assistants for Research and Teaching (START) Program, within the OIT's Innovative Technology Center, provided training and support for, as well as coordinated the scheduling of, the Practice Presentation Room. From October 2005 to August 2006, START team members have served approximately 946 patrons. There have been 90 reservations for training and 171 reservations for practice or presentation.

