

# TWITTER FOR PROFESSIONAL LEARNING



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**Why are you interested in starting a twitter account? How do you see it helping you?**

**How do you grow as a professional?**

**You're busy... How can you make time for this?**

**When was your last valuable in person professional development?**

# Today's Meet

<https://todaysmeet.com/MAMSET>



## What Does It All Mean?

- Hashtag (#) - What makes tweets searchable
- @ - Is what goes in front of someones handle (name)
- Chat - A time where people get together to talk about a topic (more later)
- Egg - When you first make your account your picture is an egg. Get rid of the egg. People like connecting with other people, not eggs.





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14,112  
TWEETS

1,366  
FOLLOWING

319,645  
FOLLOWERS

9,968  
LISTED



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3,450  
TWEETS

594  
FOLLOWING

6,277  
FOLLOWERS

92  
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3,951  
TWEETS

225  
FOLLOWING

3,996  
FOLLOWERS

78  
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5,549  
TWEETS

222  
FOLLOWING

29,612  
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713  
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## Key Points

- It doesn't have to run your life.
- It's a resource that's there when you need it, but can be ignored.
- Have questions find mentors in a judgment free place.
- Informal PD
- Extends formal PD - Connect with people you meet there

Who teaches kids how/why to use technology?

## Who to follow: Basic Rules

1. Follow because they're saying things that help you learn, not because you feel like you have to.
2. If they're saying things that don't matter to you - unfollow them. Your time is too valuable.
3. Don't get upset when people don't follow you back.
4. Do you follow back? Look at their last 5 tweets.



# Who to follow:

<https://twitter.com/dakotahcooper/lists/teacher-new-to-twitter/members>



## #Chats Worth Looking At:

#mschat - Thursday 8:00 PM

#sblchat - Wednesday 9:00 PM

#miched - Wednesday 8:00 PM

#8culchat - Tuesday 8:00 PM starting March 17th

#colchat - Monday 9:00 PM

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Padlet the best tweets you've seen

<http://padlet.com/dakotahcooper/Twitter>