

Network News Mailing List

Network News (a Microsoft Distribution List) will soon change to OWLSnet Updates (a Microsoft Office 365 Group)

Why? Main reason is that Distribution Lists do not create an archive. Groups also give us a place to store files or attachments related to posts.

What is the same? The essentials (getting an email when something is posted to the list) will remain the exact same.

What is different? For one, everyone will get a Welcome email. So, what could be bad about that. Well, the welcome message invites you to “Get conversation rolling” and “Keep things together.” Network News (soon to be OWLSnet Updates) is more of a push site for OWLS staff rather than a place for conversation (Like AAC or the Directors Lists) or for questions and support (OWLSnet Help & CAThelp). If you try to get a conversation rolling or add documents to the site, you will get a message that says you don’t have permission. Sorry.

Get started

You're set to receive all of this group's conversations and events in your inbox. Change this setting below or any time in the group card.

Stop following in inbox



Get the conversation rolling

Start your own. Or just catch up. All in the group inbox.

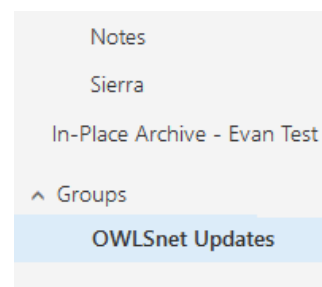


Keep things together

Now, your documents and attachments in one place.



Where is the archive? For everyone using an OWLSnet provided Office 365 (i.e. everyone except staff at Appleton, Kaukauna, and Oneida) the group page will show up below your inbox under, you guessed it, Groups.



What about users not using OWLSnet provided Office 365 accounts? Those users will still get messages in their Inbox, but they will not be able to view the archive or files. There are ways to link “external” email accounts to OWLS Office 365 account, but that doesn’t seem to work very well. The most likely solution is that I will create a login for “outside” libraries that have access to the list archives and shared files.