Using a Wiki

Wikis are tools that can be used in many educational settings. Students collaborate to create a shared knowledgebase of information and data. The wiki changes throughout the semester as students gather more information and have different experiences. Consequently, a wiki becomes a reflection of intellectual growth as the class progresses. This wiki will become a class portfolio about games and simulations in education. It will be available to you as a resource after the class ends; the more you contribute, the more useful the wiki will be.

Keep in Mind:

- Do not worry about messing the wiki up. I have the ability to correct any mistakes you might make.
- Experiment with editing and creating new pages. The more you play with the wiki, the more comfortable you will be with wikis.
- You can get help by clicking on the "Help" link on each wiki page. You can also ask me or your classmates for assistance.

Getting Started:

- 1. Go to http://games4learning.pbworks.com/
- 2. Click on "Create an Account" at the top right of the page or "Log in" if you already have an account.
- 3. Create an account (if you haven't already) using your metnet.edu email account.
- 4. Go back to http://games4learning.pbworks.com/
- 5. Navigate the site using the side bar on the right side of the page.

Editing an Existing Wiki Page:

- 1. To edit an existing page, click on the "Edit" tab of the page you want to edit. The "Edit" tab is located near the top left of the page.
- 2. Begin typing as if the page were a Word document. You can select your font, style, etc. You can also hyperlink to web pages to make the wiki entry interactive.
- 3. Hit Save.

Creating a New Wiki Page:

- 1. Click on "Create a Page" near the top right of the page.
- 2. Title the page.
- Add content to the page as if it were a Word document. You can select your font, style, etc. You can also hyperlink to web pages to make the wiki entry interactive.
- 4. Hit Save.