



Another great award for GeoGebra, free mathematics software for learning

“GeoGebra is not only free but very easy and natural to use, because it was designed and programmed by teachers for teachers”

Dani Novak

Dani Novak, **associate professor of mathematics at Ithaca College**, accepted the **National Technology Leadership Coalition’s Technology in Education Award on behalf of this year’s winner, GeoGebra in Washington, D.C. on Sept 30.**

Given annually, the award recognizes a significant contribution that advances the effective use of technology in education.

GeoGebra is currently used in 190 countries and has been translated into 52 languages. The mission of GeoGebra is very simple: to help math learning for students world-wide. This free and multi-platform dynamic software allows students to interactively discover mathematical concepts and relationships among them. It helps millions of children to understand algebra, geometry, calculus, statistics and many other fields of science in a deeper way. For instance, in countries like Argetina and Australia, and in the State of Maine the government decided to use GeoGebra as one of the main mathematical software packages in the millions of laptops that have been distributed to students.

“An active learning environment developed in Austria, GeoGebra is powerful, interactive software” - Dani Novak said. - “In addition to helping students learn mathematics in a way that is exciting and approachable, GeoGebra also strengthens the National Science Foundation’s commitment to improve the teaching of science, technology and mathematics in America’s elementary, middle and high schools.

Mathematics teachers in this country are aware of commercial software for dynamic mathematics” - Novak added, - “but due to their expensive licenses and limited accessibility, commercial software packages have hindered the teachers’ and students’ access to these programs.”

About GeoGebra:

GeoGebra is free and multi-platform dynamic mathematics software for all levels of education joining geometry, algebra, spreadsheets, statistics and calculus in one single mathematical software package. GeoGebra was started in 2001 as the master’s thesis of Markus Hohenwarter and its popularity has been grown ever since. Currently, GeoGebra is used in 190 countries, transalted to 52 languages, attracts 300.000 downloads montly, and 40

GeoGebra Institutes provide support for its use in 30 countries. In addition, It has received many educational software awards in Europe & in the USA and installed to millions of laptops in several countries around the world.

For more information, visit

www.geogebra.org,

[facebook.com/geogebra](https://www.facebook.com/geogebra),

<http://www.youtube.com/geogebrachannel>.

About Dani Novak:

Associate professor of mathematics at Ithaca College. In addition to co-authoring the National Science Foundation grant that sponsored the first North American GeoGebra Conference held last July at Ithaca College, Novak chairs the GeoGebra Institute of Ithaca, one of 39 GeoGebra Institutes worldwide.

About NLTC:

The National Technology Leadership Coalition was established to provide a forum for cross-disciplinary dialog between educational technology associations and teacher educator associations. The coalition's annual summit brings together national leaders from educational associations, as well as editors of educational technology journals, directors of nonprofit foundations, federal policy makers, and corporate representatives. Recommendations and guidelines emerging from the summit are published in a range of educational technology journals and are featured on the programs of educational conferences.

The NTLC Editors collectively provide a broad perspective on research across their respective associations and are responsible for selecting the recipient of the Technology in Education Award.

National Technology Leadership Coalition Associations:

American Association for Colleges of Teacher Education (AACTE)

Association for Mathematics Teacher Educators (AMTE)

Association for Science Teacher Education (ASTE)

Association of Teacher Educators (ATE)

Association for Educational Communications and Technology (AECT)

International Society for Technology in Education (ISTE)

International Technology and Engineering Educators Association (ITEEA)

National Association of Early Childhood Teacher Educators (NAECTE)

National Council for the Social Studies-College and University Faculty Assembly (NCSS-CUFA)

National Council of Teachers of English-Conference on English Education (NCTE-CEE)

Software Information Industry Association (SIIA)

Society for Information Technology and Teacher Education (SITE)

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