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In class...it can be tough to learn if you can't hear the teacher.

But for many classrooms in the Minot Public School system, hearing the teacher has gotten much easier even as the rooms themselves have been getting bigger.

Perry Olson explains from Washington Elementary.



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Linda Filipek used to have to raise her voice in class...don't get the wrong idea her kids are great but sometimes so everyone could hear, she had to get those vocal chords going. But that has now changed

(Filipek) "The sound system makes it possible for me to speak in a normal voice and the children don't have trouble hearing me."

She is talking about Front Row Pro the system installed in her classroom and many others around the district. That is a microphone around her neck and a surround sound system in ceiling...

(Filipek) "This was the best thing that I have ever experienced in teaching...because you just...it is effortless. You just talk and everybody can hear you and there are no problems."

Those are words of praise from this teaching vet of more than 30 years...

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Mrs. Filipek says it has not only been beneficial for her 4th Graders...learning state capitals today...

(Claire Woody - 4th Grader) "It is easier to hear her because she doesn't have to yell and the microphone helps her."
(Filipek) "Oh I think it makes it lots easier for them, the clarity, the distance...I don't think they would be able to

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It has also been great for her too especially being someone who battles asthma...

(Filipek) "On the days where I am having trouble breathing I don't have to project as loud so it really works really well for that."

There are really no drawbacks with this system. The kids learn better, the teacher teaches better...thanks to technology continuing to improve education. In Minot, Perry Olson, KX News. watch the video | save this article / add to your favorites list

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