Twitter 101

About

Social media network popular with influencers like public officials, journalists/news media organizations, nonprofits and corporations.

Best for:

- 1. Engaging with journalists
- 2. Political actions engaging with legislators
- 3. Bargaining actions engaging with district, school board

Best practices

- · Posting frequency: Daily if possible, but no less than a couple times/week
- Posting times: Depends on your audience (journalists the earlier in the day, the better ... public after work hours) or if you're timing your tweets to a specific event or action.
- Again, vary your content:
 - Images
 - Videos
 - Links to articles or resources
 - Events
- Try to have an image or video w/your post if possible (more engagement)
- Post length: the shorter the better (280 character limit)

Organizing tools

Hashtags

- Use to target tweets at a particular audience or around a particular issue, or to bring awareness to an organizing campaign.
- No more than 3 per post suggested ... the shorter the better.
- · Examples:
 - #mnleg for all state legislative posts
 - #edmnvotes for all EdMN political/election posts
 - #wemakemn for the state revenue campaign to tax the rich



Tweetstorms/Twitterstorms

• Use to create a sudden influx of tweets around a certain issue or event at a scheduled time (i.e. during a board meeting or legislative hearing). Tweets can be written ahead of time and disseminated to members for posting.



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