

## Classroom "Personal Response System"

On Wednesday, April 23 at 4 PM the Educational Technology Committee will meet in IRC 1 for a demonstration of the Personal Response System (PRS). (See <http://www.Educue.com>.) Anyone interested in the demonstration is invited to attend. The PRS is designed for collection and display of real time polling data in a classroom. It consists of a set of receivers (permanently mounted on the walls) and individual transmitters for each student. Students use the transmitters to respond to in-class polls or quizzes. The receivers collect the responses and interface with software on a PC that analyzes and displays response data in real time, usually in the form of a bar graph. Such systems are becoming widely used at universities and in K-12, and users report that they are pedagogically effective. The system mounted in IRC 1 was donated by Thomson-Brooks/Cole Publishing Company. Depending on interest and cost, they may be installed in other classrooms.

