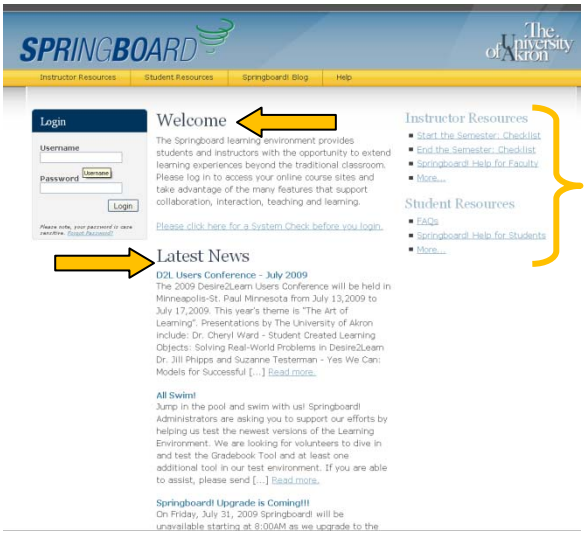
## New Springboard! Login Page

1. Go to http://springboard.uakron.edu

A new login page will appear. This page is similar in format to The University of Akron's website.

This page contains a great deal of information for all users of Springboard!

You will see a Welcome message, Latest News, and links to additional Resources.

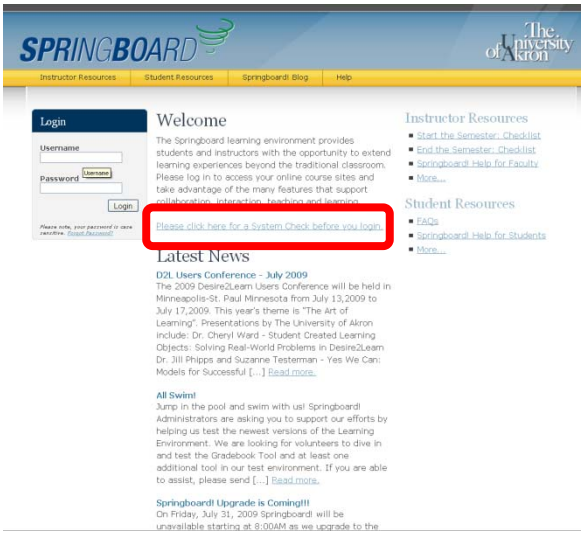



2. Before you login to Springboard!, it is recommended that all users perform a System Check to be sure you have the recommended software installed on your computer.

This quick check is vital to making your experience in Springboard! a pleasant and productive one.

Beneath the Welcome message is the following text: "**Please click here for a System Check before you login**".

Click on the sentence hyperlink. Once clicked, a new browser status window will open.

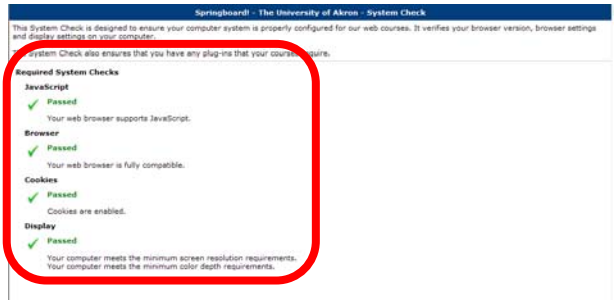



3. This new status window provides verification about browser version, browser settings and display settings on the computer you are using. These are all vital components for utilizing Springboard! effectively and efficiently.

The screen reports back to the user that the current computer has all Required System plug-ins and appropriate settings to work with Springboard! --- this computer has Passed.

It is important to perform this System Check on all computers that you use to access Springboard!

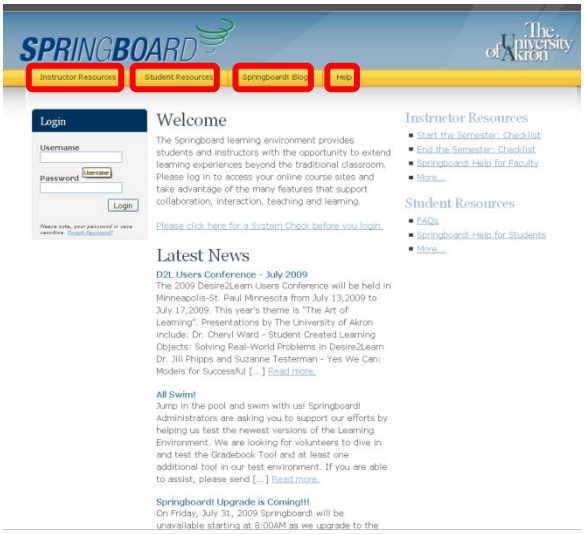
Once finished, you can close this window and return to the login page.



## Resources – Instructor & Student

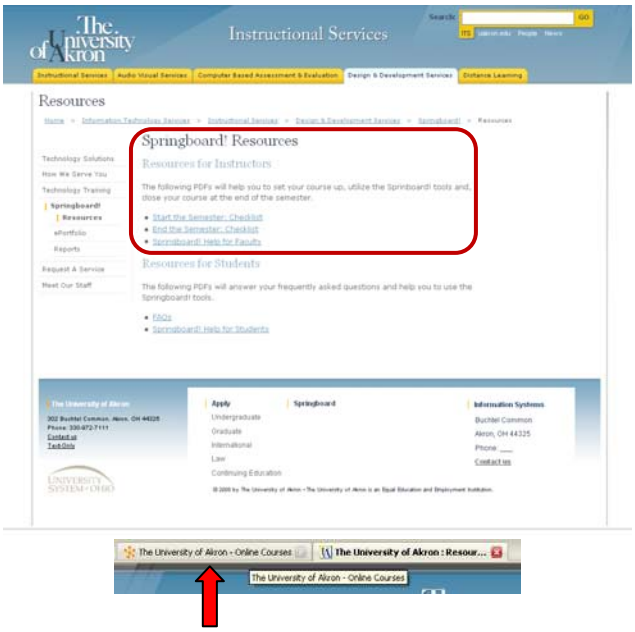
1. There are 4 tabs located at the top of the login page which lead the user to:

   - Instructor Resources,
   - Student Resources,
   - Springboard! Blog, and
   - Help – non-Springboard! items




Let's look at Instructor Resources. Click on the Instructor Resources tab.

2. The Instructor Resources' tab opens a new browser tab or a new browser window and directs the user to Design and Development Services' website.




Resources for Instructors located on this page include:

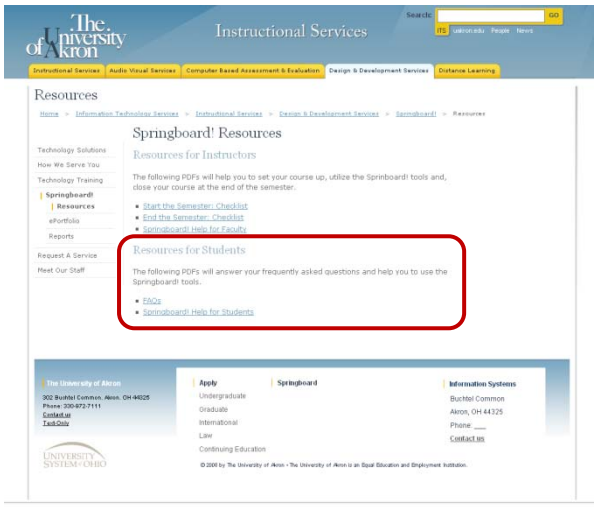
   a. Start the Semester Checklist
   b. End the Semester Checklist
   c. Springboard! Help for Faculty

Additional materials in the form of PDFs, Narrated Captivate videos, Tool task aides, etc. will be added before the start of Fall semester 2009. Some of the topics covered will be how to use:

   a. News Widget
   b. Classlist Tool (including email function)
   c. Content Tool
   d. Discussion Tool
   e. Dropbox Tool
   f. Quizzes Tool including Question Library
   g. Grades Tool
   h. ePortfolio Tool

To return to the Springboard! login page, click on the browser tab titled, "***The University of Akron – Online Courses***".

3. To reach the Student Resources, click on the tab "Student Resources". This will open a new browser tab and direct the user to Design and Development Services' website.




Resources for Instructors located on this page include:

a. Student FAQs
b. Springboard! Help for Students

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4. Next, we will look at the Springboard! Blog.

## Springboard! Blog

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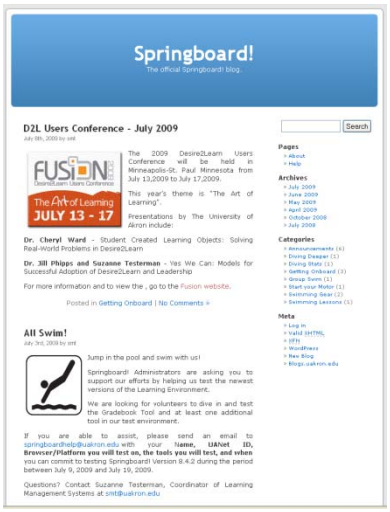



This is the home of the official Springboard! Blog.

You can read all about what is happening with Springboard!

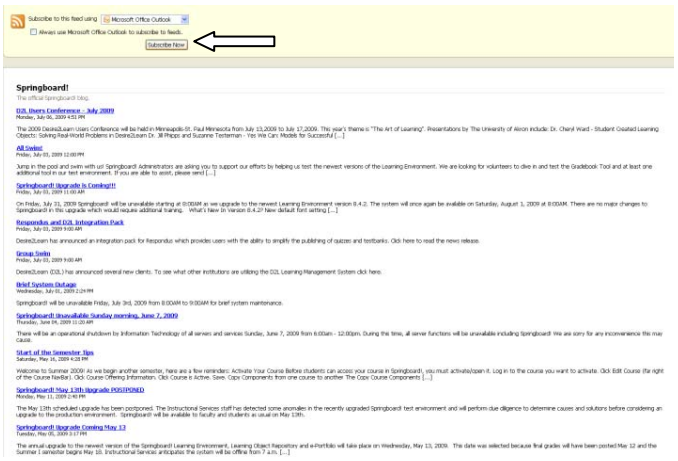
The type of things posted are:

a. System Announcements – including scheduled maintenance and upgrades
b. Tips and Tricks to using Tools in Springboard!
c. New system features and functions

Users can subscribe to the Springboard! Blog via RSS feed located on the Springboard! login page at the bottom.

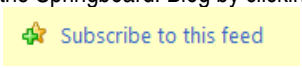
Look for this icon: SUBSCRIBE

2. After you click on the Subscribe icon ( SUBSCRIBE ), a new page will appear.




If you are using Firefox as your browser, you will the Blog postings listed and you can get all the updates by clicking on Subscribe Now.

3. In IE7, you will see this screen. You can subscribe to the Springboard! Blog by clicking on

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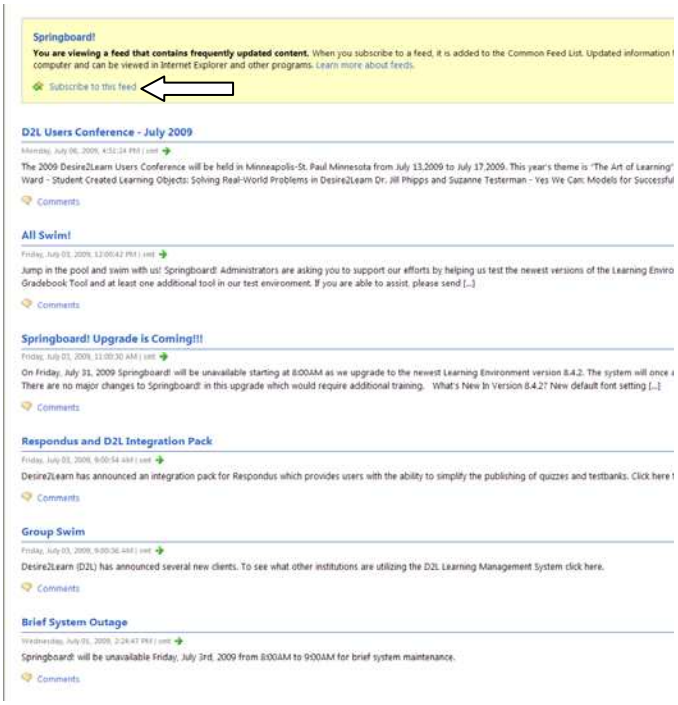

## Help

The final tab is titled, "**Computing Help**".

This tab will take the user to the Zip Support Contact page.

Zip Support hours and locations are listed as well as several methods to contact Support personnel for assistance.

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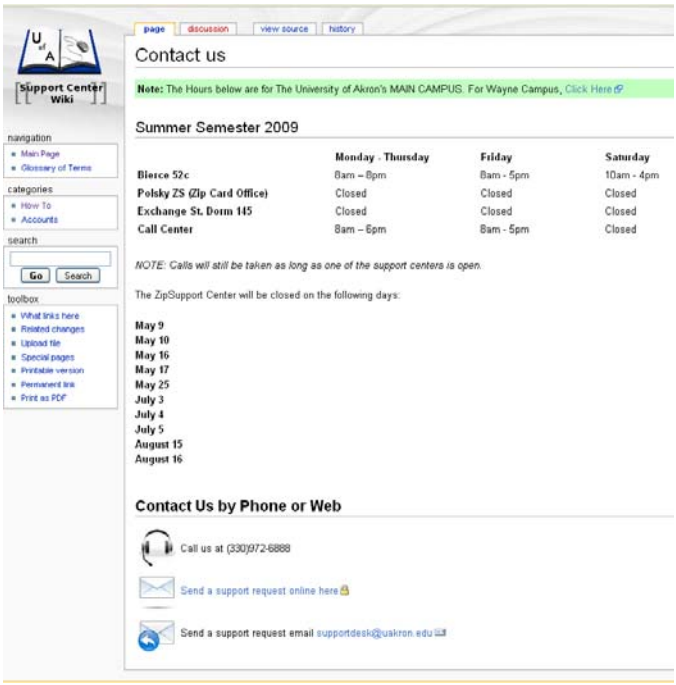
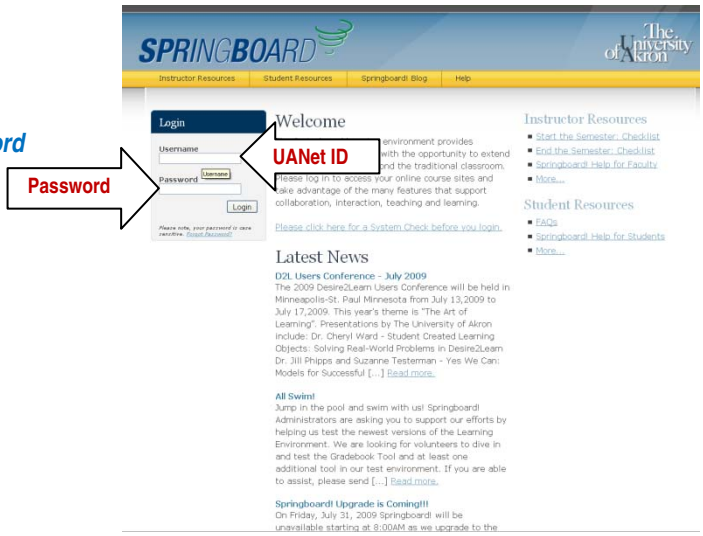


## Login to Springboard!

1. To login to Springboard!, you will use the login fields located on the left of your screen.

Enter your UANet ID and Password and click Login.

If you have forgotten your password, click ***Forgot Password*** link at the bottom of the Login area for assistance.