

## Re: file sharing from 98 to XP Pro

**Source:**

<http://www.tech-archive.net/Archive/WinXP/microsoft.public.windowsxp.general/2004-08/27816.html>

---

**From:** Malke (*malke\_at\_nospoonnotreally.com*)

**Date:** 08/23/04

Date: Mon, 23 Aug 2004 13:59:08 -0700

benrud wrote:

- > *I'm a teacher for Fort Worth ISD. I just recieved a new XP Pro lab and*
- > *I'm trying to set it up so I can use an old 98 PC as a file server.*
- > *I've created folders for all of my students on the 98 PC's, given them*
- > *passwords and shared them. When the students sit on the XP pC's and*
- > *try to save to their folder it tells them that the disk is full or*
- > *right protected.*
- >
- > *Students move around my lab and work in groups. I'd like to set it up*
- > *so that students can access their shared folders on the file sever*
- > *(win98) from any XP PC.*
- >
- > *Thank you for your time and assistance.*
- > *Todd*

We just did this at my kid's school, but we used Linux on the file server. I wouldn't suggest using Windows 98 on the older machine as a file server. It just isn't stable under a heavy load and needs to be rebooted regularly. If you want to stick with Windows, I'd suggest using Windows 2000 which is a very good operating system. It will give you far better control over your permissions, too. For instance, on the folders we made for where the kids hand in their homework files, we set permissions so the users can write to the folder but can't see anything else in there. That way a kid can't mess with someone else's work.

I'm not sure why your Win98 box is giving that error, but look at the attributes on the shared folders. I don't have a Win98 box on right now, but I seem to recall that when you make a share you have to make it full access – that isn't the default.

If you need any more help or want the details about what we did, repost to this thread with an email address where I can contact you. Don't post an unmunged address, though. Make it something like Toddatmyschooldotcom so the spambots don't get you.

microsoft.public.windowsxp.general: Re: file sharing from 98 to XP Pro

Malke

P.S. – Teachers go right to Heaven!

--

MS MVP - Windows Shell/User  
Elephant Boy Computers  
[www.elephantboycomputers.com](http://www.elephantboycomputers.com)  
"Don't Panic!"