

# Windows 8 Preview

## A First Glance



# Principal Elements

- Uniform interface across all devices – smart phones, tablet PCs, desktop PCs
- Metro interface - touch screen – no “Start” button
- Familiar “Desktop” region
- Charms bar
- App bar
- Live tiles with dynamic content
- App Store – free and non-free
- Internet Explorer ver. 10

# The Good

- Speed
- Connects to WiFi more quickly
- Syncing
- Refresh/Reset
- Generic class printer driver
- Ribbon interface for Windows Explorer
- Microsoft Security Essentials included as part of Windows Defender

# The Bad

- New paradigm requires much of user
- No way to avoid using Metro interface
- No Start button
- Simple processes now require multiple steps
- Full-screen apps in Metro
- Requires extensive horizontal scrolling

# The Ugly

- Remember these?
  - Windows ME!
  - Windows Vista!
- To download a copy of Windows 8:

<http://windows.microsoft.com/en-us/windows-8/download>

# Kingsoft Office Suite Free 2012

- Word processor (= Microsoft Word)
- Spreadsheet (= Excel)
- Presentation graphics (= PowerPoint)
- Familiar interface
- Download from

[www.kingsoftstore.com/kingsoft-office-freeware.html](http://www.kingsoftstore.com/kingsoft-office-freeware.html)