

# How to set up a Twitter Account from start to finish?

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New to Twitter? Join today!

Full name

Email

Password

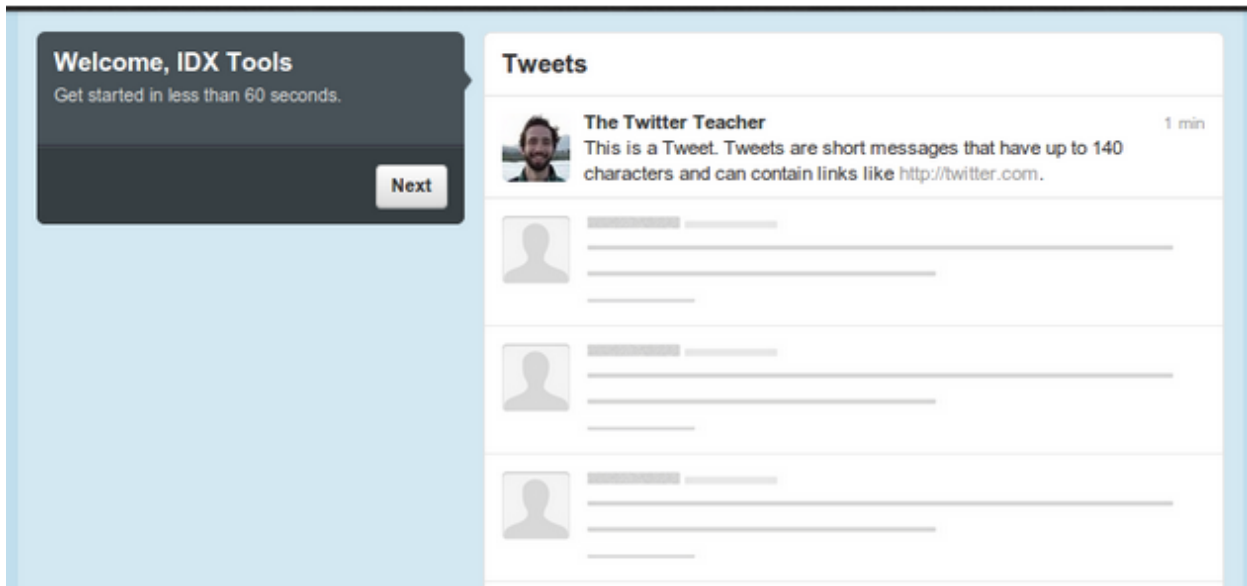
Sign up

### 1. Sign-up

Go to <http://www.twitter.com> and fill out the form with your full name, your e-mail address and your desired password.

- There is only one Twitter account per e-mail address possible.
- You can change all three pieces of information later.

### All Signed up



1. After the initial set-up, Twitter helps you following people and find your friends.

First up is the so called “Suggested User List”.

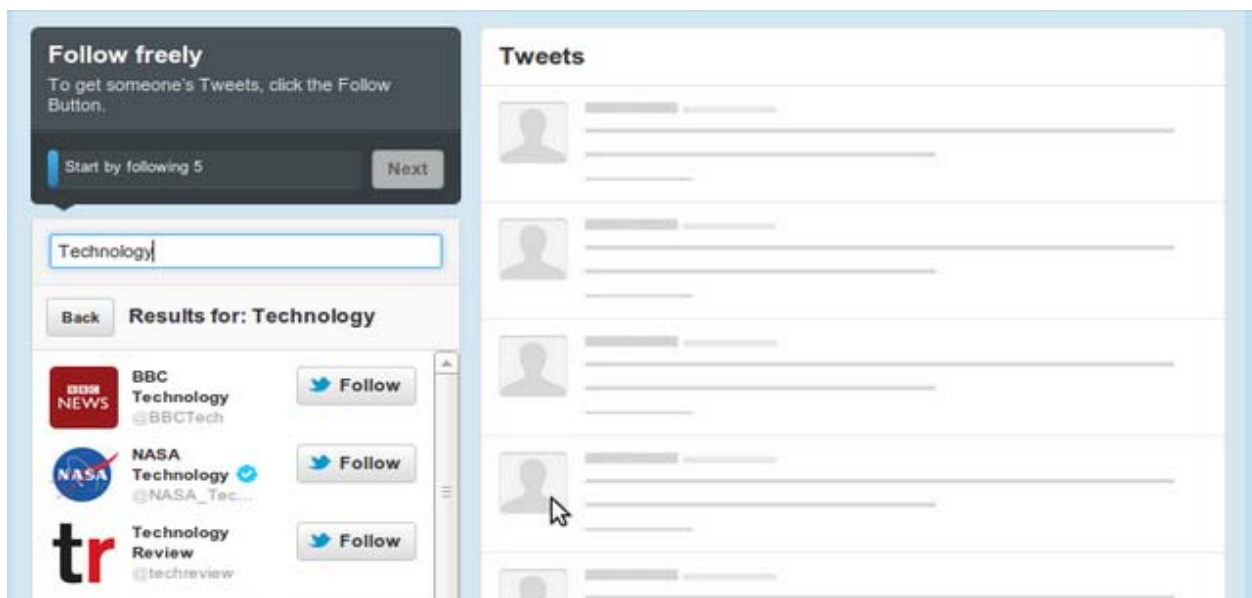


When you click on the person's avatar, it shows you the short bio, the stats of tweets, followers, following and the latest three current tweets.

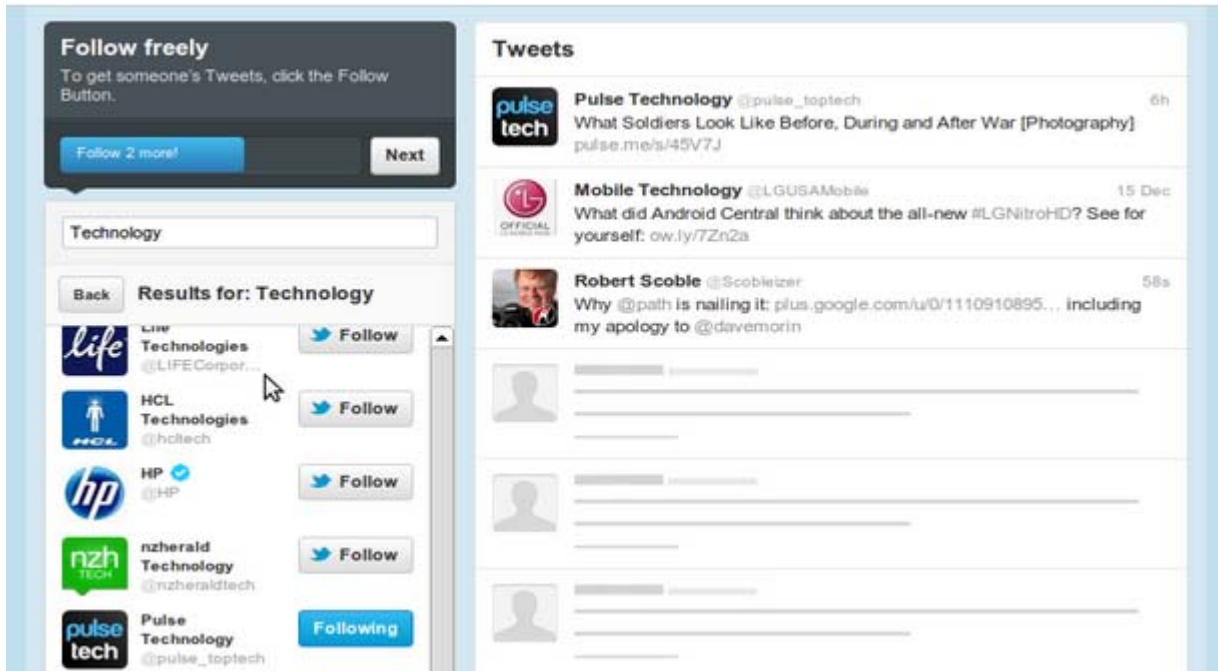
To also follow this person, click on the “Follow” button next to the name.

The list has a scroll bar to the right so you can scroll for people you might be interested in.

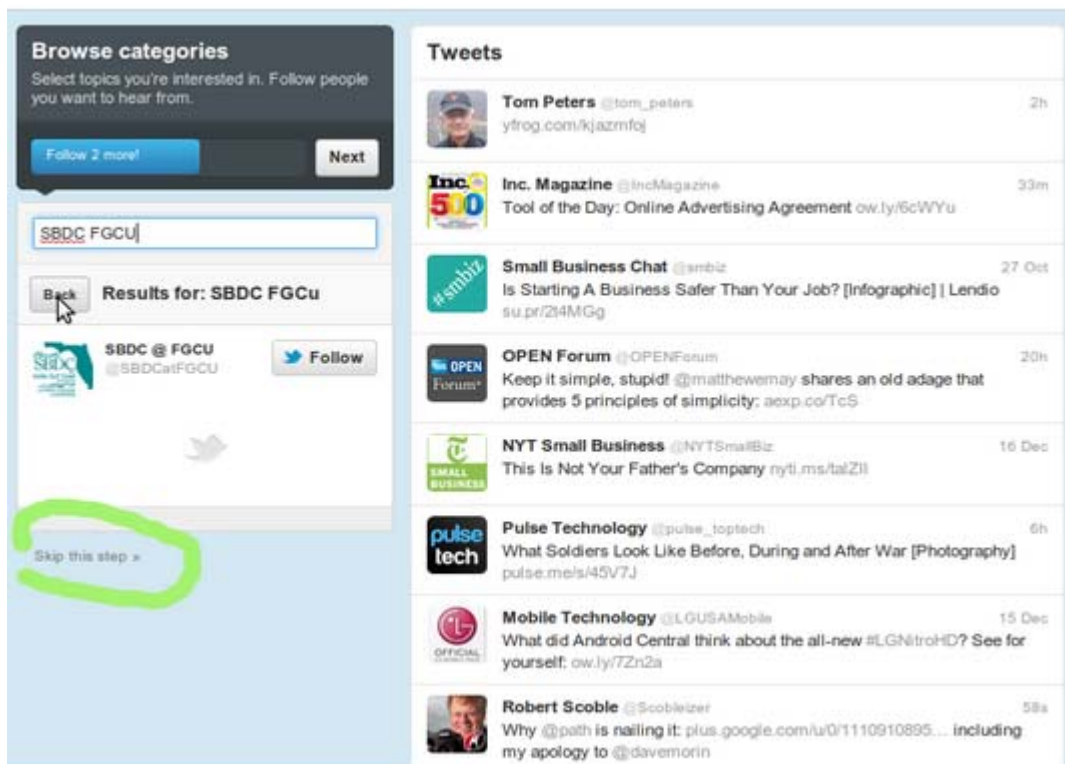
Another way to find twitter users to follow is to use the search box and type in a keyword that fits your interest, i.e., “Technology”.



Start following people: Click on Follow and the right side of the screen will start getting filled with tweets.



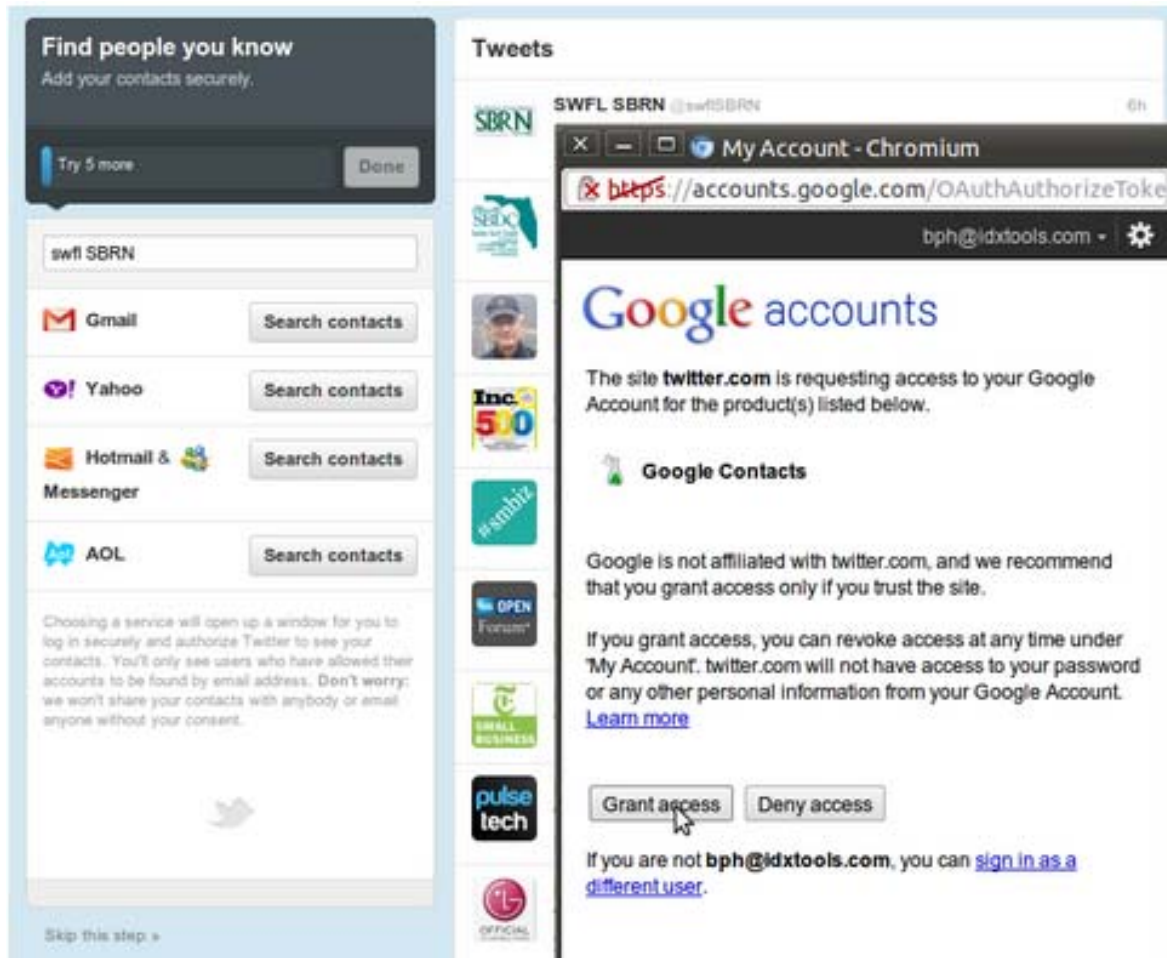
Once you are content for now, you can always scroll down to get to the “Skip this step” link.





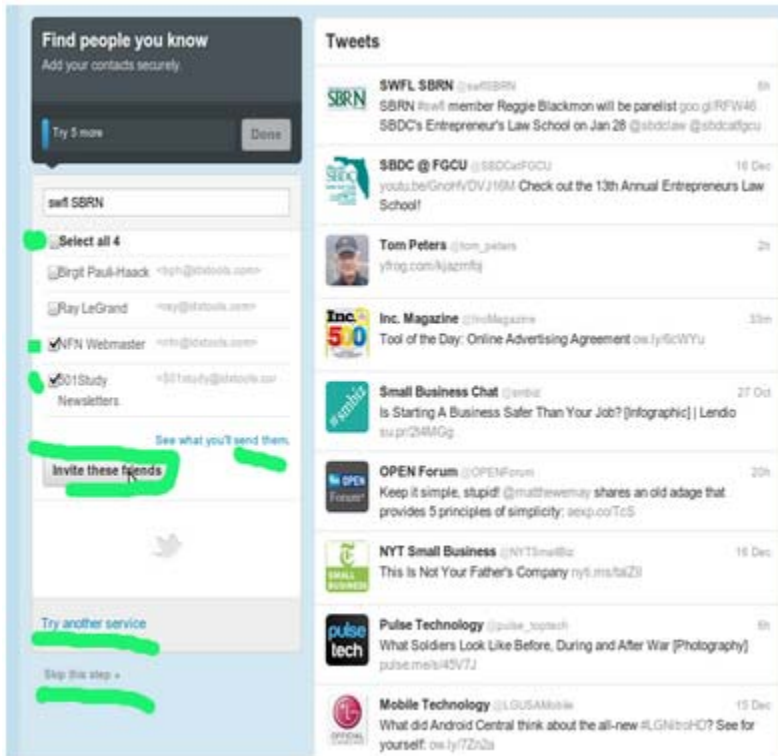
## 2. Find People you know

Twitter will help you find people on twitter that you already know from your e-mail contact lists, For instance, on your Google account.



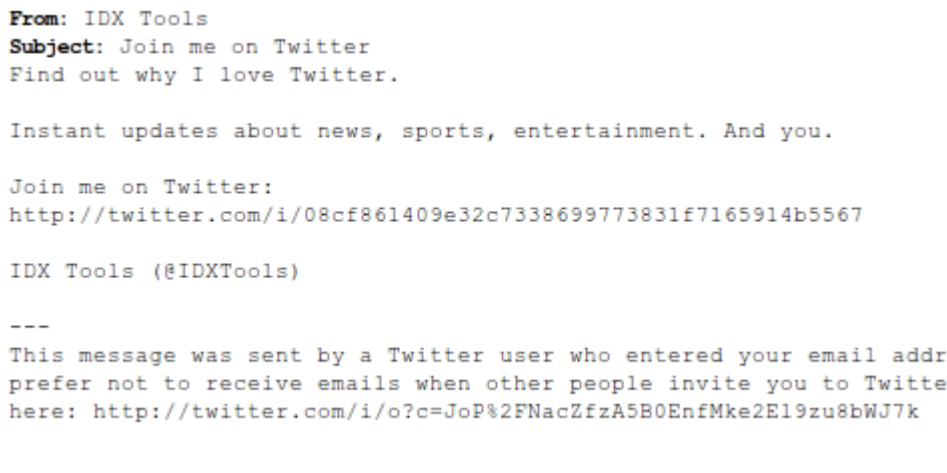
Google will ask you to grant Twitter access to your Google contacts. Click on "Grant access", if you feel comfortable doing that.

Once this authentication process is concluded, you'll see the following screen:

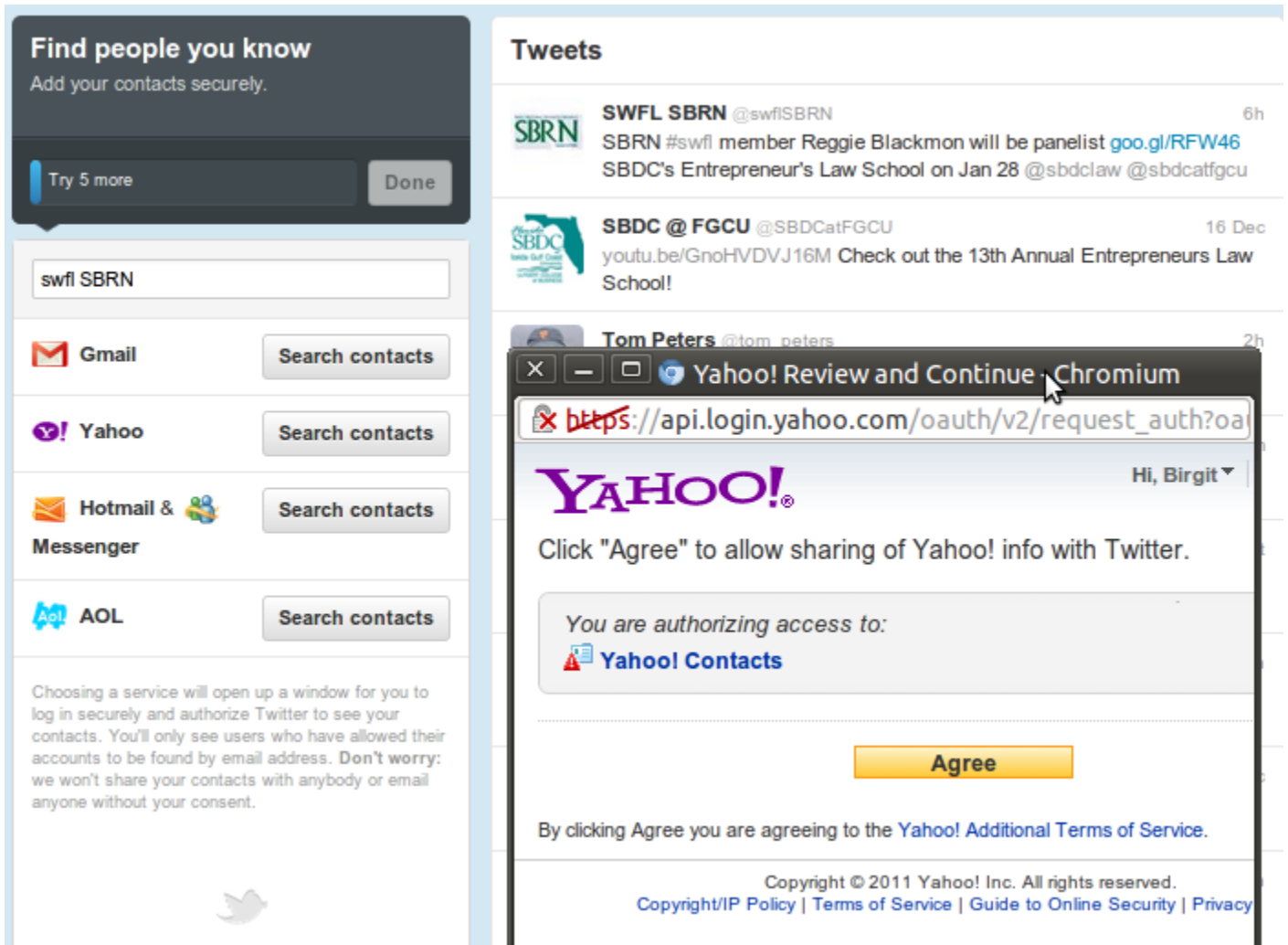


Check the person you'd like to invite to follow you on Twitter, click on "Invite these people". If you'd like to see what Twitter will be sending as message, you can view it by clicking on "See what you send them"

The message looks similar to this graphic:



You can also try another service, i.e., Yahoo. Follow all the instructions on Yahoo to authenticate the access to your contacts and then repeat above sequence.



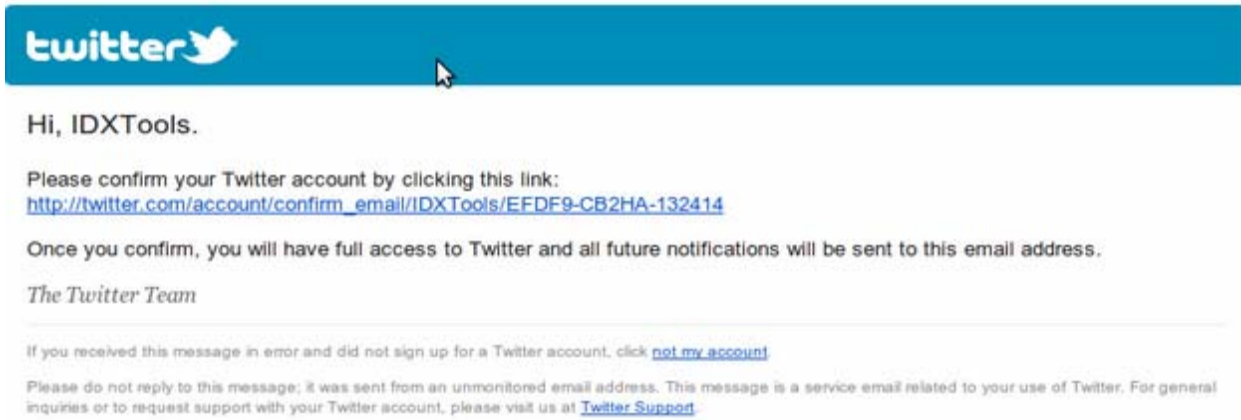
The image shows a Twitter account setup interface. On the left, a dark grey box titled "Find people you know" contains the text "Add your contacts securely." Below this is a search bar with "swfl SBRN" entered and a "Done" button. Underneath are four rows of contact import options: "Gmail", "Yahoo", "Hotmail & Messenger", and "AOL", each with a "Search contacts" button. A small explanatory text block at the bottom left states: "Choosing a service will open up a window for you to log in securely and authorize Twitter to see your contacts. You'll only see users who have allowed their accounts to be found by email address. Don't worry: we won't share your contacts with anybody or email anyone without your consent." On the right, a "Tweets" section displays three tweets from "SWFL SBRN @swflSBRN" and "SBDC @FGCU @SBDcatFGCU". Overlaid on the right side is a Chromium browser window titled "Yahoo! Review and Continue Chromium" showing a Yahoo! authorization page. The page URL is "https://api.login.yahoo.com/oauth/v2/request\_auth?oa". It features the Yahoo! logo, a greeting "Hi, Birgit", and the text "Click 'Agree' to allow sharing of Yahoo! info with Twitter." Below this, it says "You are authorizing access to:" followed by a warning icon and "Yahoo! Contacts". A large yellow "Agree" button is centered on the page. At the bottom of the window, it reads "By clicking Agree you are agreeing to the Yahoo! Additional Terms of Service." and includes copyright information: "Copyright © 2011 Yahoo! Inc. All rights reserved." with links to "Copyright/IP Policy", "Terms of Service", "Guide to Online Security", and "Privacy".



Now you are done. Almost.

1. Confirm Your Email address

Twitter will only give you full access to your Twitter account after you confirmed your e-mail address and that you have access to it.



Follow the instructions in the e-mail message and click on the provided link. You will then land directly on you twitter homepage with a little message overlay, “Your account has been confirmed. Thanks!”

You will also receive a Welcome Email from Twitter with a few more tips.





Welcome to Twitter, IDX Tools (@IDXTools)!

We're excited you're here! Twitter is all about what's happening right now. Follow what you're interested in and get Tweets in real time. You'll never be out of the loop again.

### Get started on Twitter

- 1 Discover who's on twitter**  
[Browse popular accounts by interest](#) or [look for your friends](#) and follow the ones you like.
- 2 Check back often**  
[Visit Twitter often](#) so you'll see what's new from the accounts you follow.
- 3 Get Twitter on your phone**  
[Activate your phone](#) or download a Twitter application to your phone to get Tweets on the go.

### How to Tweet

- 1 Set up your profile**  
[Complete your profile information](#). A picture of yourself and a short bio make you more interesting to others on Twitter.
- 2 Tweet out!**  
[Write your first Tweet](#). You have 140 characters to share what's happening where you are.

If you're using Twitter for your business, get tips on getting started from [Twitter 101 for business](#).

Welcome to the flock!

*Biz Stone (@biz) and The Twitter Team (@Twitter)*

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