

Transforming Our Classrooms with a 1 to 1 Laptop Program

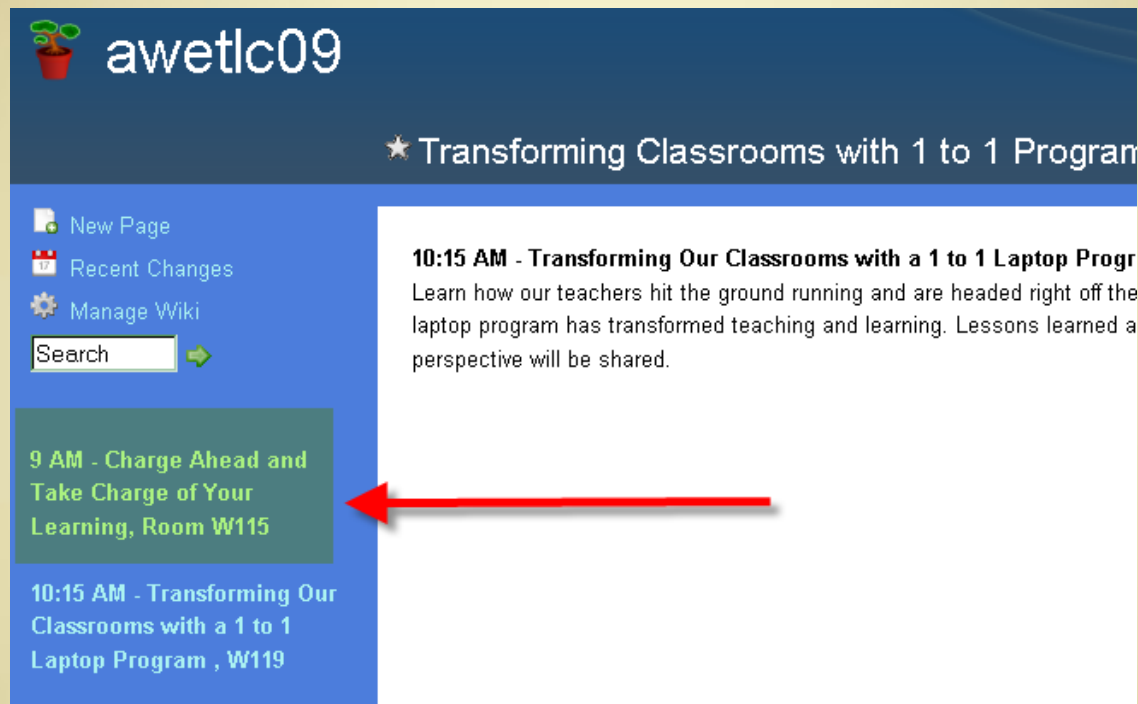
Presenter: **Annelise** Woitulewicz
Summit Academy Schools

- Learn how our teachers hit the ground running and are headed right off the cliff for the 22nd Century. You will see how our one-to-one laptop program has transformed teaching and learning. Lessons learned along with tips and tricks for managing from a classroom perspective will be shared.



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Agenda

1. Logistics of program
2. Initial Fears
3. Implementation
4. Management
5. Extra-ordinary Learning
6. Questions



Logistics of Program

Logistics of Program

K- 8 Building
140 laptops
Grades 5 - 8

Middle School
370 laptops
Grades 6 -8

High School
160 laptops
Grade 9

35 Loaners



Pilot

- Piloted 7th & 8th grade
- 2 years
- HP laptops
- Old laptop bags
- Lockers

Current Program

- Since March 2008
- 5th – 9th grade
- Apple laptops
- Higher Ground Laptop Bags



Support

- Tech support person at each building
- WebHelpDesk for repair issues
- Laptop Bags
- Loaner Laptops

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Cost

- Insurance Fee
- Refundable Deductible
- Clear Guidelines up front



Initial Fears

Initial Fears

- Batteries
- Cords
- What if it's in for repair
- Taking care of it
- Participation (\$)
- Monitoring screens
- Staying on task

Implementation

Implementation

- Training
- Ongoing PD
 - Just in time... as needed... whenever asked
- Flexibility
 - Technology Breaks!
- Learn with & from students

Management

Tech Dept Role for Success

- Add permissions and applications as needed
- Filewave
- Balance security needs
- Willing to take risks for the benefits
- Teaching while fixing

Lessons Learned – Tech Dept

- Power charger ownership
- EOY Assessment
- Computer bags
- Tags on bags
- Open wireless
- Accounting nightmares
- Better problem solving techniques needed

Classroom Lessons Learned

- Consistent file naming in all classes
- Common “Laptop On/Laptop Off”
- Add printers early
- Students bring paper
- Room setup (screens, outlets)
- Teach from your feet, not your seat
- Real names
- Back-up back-up back-up!
- Teach file management early

Questions Learned – Principal

- Clear guidelines on insurance coverage
- Parents coming for advice – inappropriate use
 - School or home issue
- Proxy Website problem
- Teaching from feet, not seat
- Do we need to care about multi-tasking?
 - Fine line between not paying attention and multi-tasking
- Unattended laptops – write one page essay



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Welcome to Summit Academy's Moodle Site. If you've already logged in to the site, locate your building on the left, under Course Categories.

If you haven't enrolled yet, login and you'll be asked to edit your profile. Once you've completed that, you may enroll in a course.



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Microsoft Word and Mac OS X Spaces

by [Admin User](#) - Wednesday, 10 June 2009, 10:56 AM

When you use Office 2008 for Mac with Mac OS X Spaces, the Office 2008 applications might not behave as expected. This is caused by the architectural implementation of Spaces in Mac OS X v10.5 (Leopard). Apple is aware of this issue.




The following are some of the known issues that can occur when running Office 2008 applications in Mac

This forum allows everyone to o



What would you do if you were a prisoner in a concentration camp? Daniel and his father found ways to survive. What things would you do to try to ensure your survival? Explain what you would think, what you would do, and what you would feel.

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What would I do?		Anthony Alyssa	0
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Jenkins 7th Reading



Jump to...

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Display replies in nested form

Move this discussion



what would I do???

by James Kochans - Friday, 13 March 2009, 10:57 AM

i would try my hardest to follow orders so i would not be killed. but i would also try to be in any rebellion possible. and hope for a happy ending like daniel and rosa.

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Re: what would I do???

by Jacqueline Riley - Friday, 13 March 2009, 11:00 AM

That works too.

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Re: what would I do???

by James Kochans - Friday, 13 March 2009, 11:34 AM

ya they had a happy ending.

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Moodle Helps Absentee Work

- When I am absent I try to create a Podcast and put it on Moodle with teacher directed instructions for the day.

- *Middle school teacher*

Moodle Helps Absentee Work

- When they are out sick or on vacation, students are able to keep up with assignments through Moodle. Students are able to see what assignments are due, or upcoming, and also see resources pages and discussions from class. Moodle has freed up teacher time for handling absentee work discussions.

- *Middle school teacher*

iCal

- Planners



Extra-ordinary Learning

Extraordinary Learning

- Open Door to Extraordinary Learning
- Connect parents & education
- Integration of digital resources
- Students benefit from 24x7 mobile learning
- Learning without limits
- Student engagement
- Social learning networks

- Teaching with a one to one lap top program has helped make the transition from direct instruction to hands on learning effortless. Complex and higher level thinking is a part of everyday life here at Summit thanks to this program.

- *Adrianne Clements, 6th Grade Teacher*

Connections between Kinetic and Potential energy



Interactive Simulations


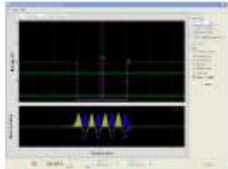
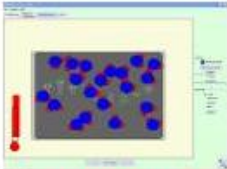
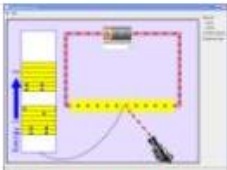
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Simulation

Specified simulation not found

Perhaps you are looking for:

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 <p>Masses & Springs</p>	 <p>Optical Quantum Control</p>	 <p>Conductivity</p>

Drag to add Track

 Kinetic Energy
 Potential Energy
 Thermal Energy



Reset

Return Skater

Choose Skater...



☒ Measuring Tape



☒ Potential Energy Reference



☐ Show Grid

Path

Show Path

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Energy Graphs

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Bar Graph

Energy vs. Position

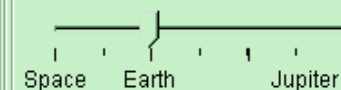
Energy vs. Time

Location

☐ Space ☐ Moon

☒ Earth ☐ Jupiter

Gravity N/kg



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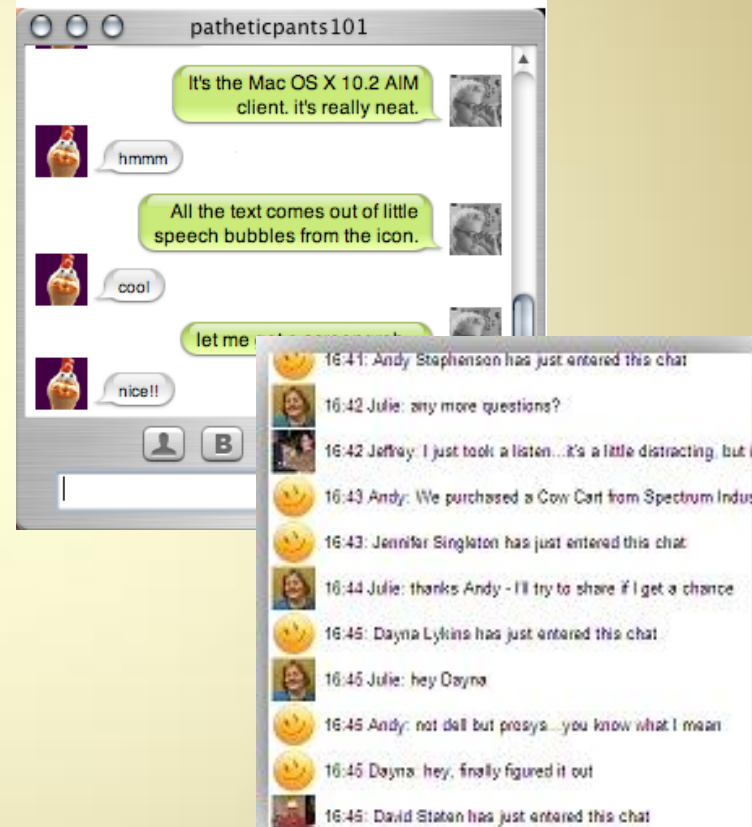
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slow ...sim speed... fast



Instant Messaging

- **Moodle and iChat** allow students that are shy or unsure of themselves to participate in discussions virtually.
- This opens doors for these students in a lower-stress way.



Chat

- Complete sentences
- Real Names
- Incorporate vocabulary words

Dance Instruction Videos



A Day in the life of Autumn

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About Me

Name:
 Autumn
Miracle
Age
 23 years old
Birthday
 June 24th
Location
 Orlando, FL
Best Friend
 Raco, my dog

All-time Favorites

Movies The Notebook, A Walk to Remember, Black Christmas, The Last House on the Left.

Books Twilight series, Twisted, anything by Jude Deveraux.

Bands Cute is what we Aim for, A Day to remember, Fall Out Boy, Lil Wayne, T.I. Stuff like that.

Food Chicken nuggets, mexican food, spaghetti, anything spicy, or sweet

Places Florida, Poland, North Carolina, New York, Italy, any place in



Playlist

1. Shawty Say; David Banner
2. Had me at Hello; A Day to Remember.
3. Face Down; Red Jumpsuit Apparatus.

My wish list

I don't have any wishes, I'm content with everything I have in my life, and don't need anything else. :)

Photo albums



North Carolina.
June 2008



Photo Shoot
For Seventeen
February 2009

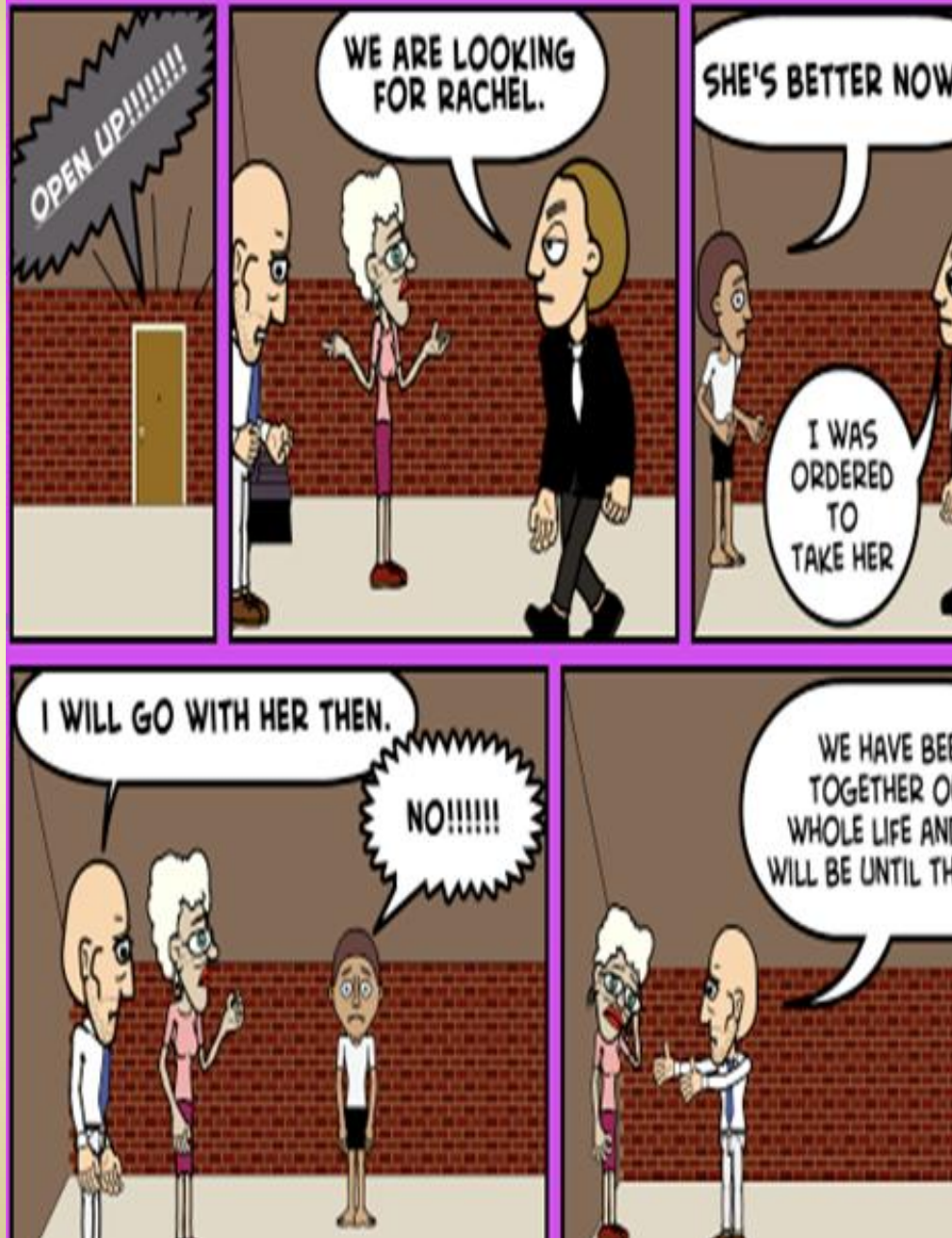
The sweet & lowdown

I grew up in Los Angeles California, and then quickly moved to Laguna Beach California where I went to school until I graduated from high school and then college with a degree Criminal Justice. I quickly learned that loved my deep passion more than anything I was doing in my life. That deep passion was modeling. :)

After I got into the modeling world, which took sometime, I got into the photography world too. I mean don't get me wrong, I loved getting the glitz and glamour, but I wanted to do so many different things with my life. I have degrees in Clinical Psychology, Criminal

DANIEL'S STORY

BY



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CATEGORIES:

Asia (145)

China, Vietnam

Europe (704)

Austria, Belgium, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Holland, Hungary, Ireland, Luxembourg, Norway, Slovenia, Sweden, Switzerland, United Kingdom

Middle East (88)

Israel

North America (771)

Canada, United States



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World Landmarks Project 7th Grade

Ads by Google

Church - Vienna - Austria

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Church - Vienna - Austria



Place mouse in window for instant viewer control or click and drag for more viewer control. 'A' or '+' zooms in and 'Z' or '-' zooms out.

- Virtual 360 photos
 - Picked famous landmark
 - 5 Themes of Geography
 - 10 Cultural Traits
- *Instead of just looking at pictures they can go to these places and see different places all over the world. It allowed the students to work at their own pace and to look at what interested them.*
 - Amie Adamkevich, Social Studies

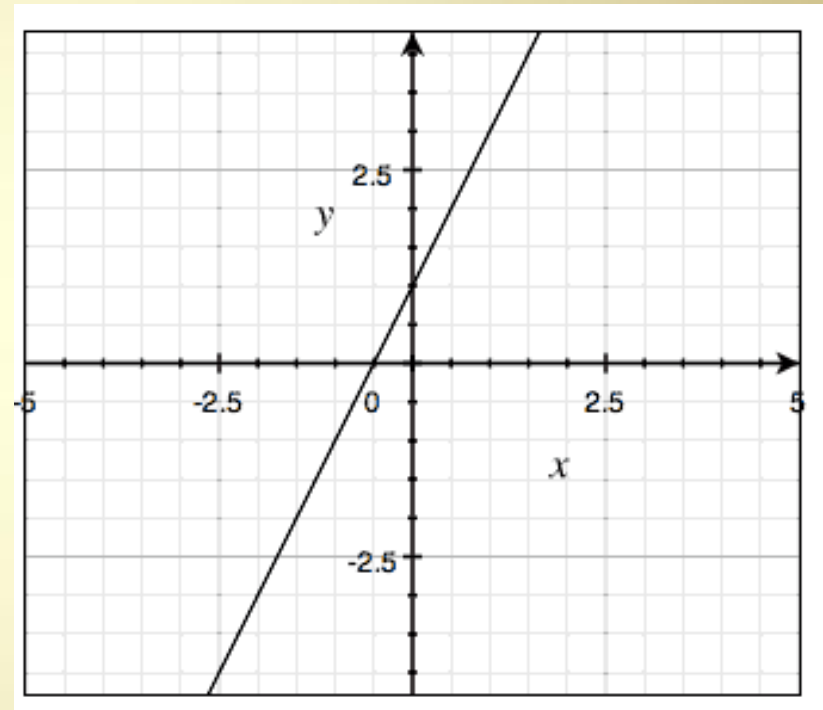


- We focus on real-world ideas, pushing our students to think creatively with projects such as using Keynote to create “choose your own adventure” type stories, iMovie to make original stop motion videos, and Adobe Photoshop to do lessons on Fashion design and marketing.
- Having the laptops has also allowed our teachers to help the planet by saving paper. Assignments can now be posted and turned in on-line, grades can be uploaded and easily checked by students, and with our classroom projectors it's much easier for teachers to show lessons, save and reuse step-by-step directions, or direct students to certain websites or assignments.

▪ *Lisa Schoen, middle school art teacher*

GRAPHER

- “The students are able to use GRAPHER to find patterns in linear equations. The students develop a better understanding of slope and y-intercept by manipulating equations using this computer program.”



▪ *Alicia Jenkins, MS Math Teacher*

Pythagorean Theorem Podcasts

Pythagorean Theorem Project

Name _____

You are going to create a "Screen-Cast" using KeyNote.

1. Find a real life picture with a right triangle that has a missing side length.
(Examples: stair case-if adding a ramp, slide from a park, bike ramp, ladder against building, etc.)
2. Create a slide show, each slide should show the next step for using the Pythagorean theorem to solve for the missing side length. (To duplicate a slide, click on the slide, then click Edit, Duplicate)
3. Once the slides are complete, do a voice over to correctly explain step by step how to solve the problem.
For the Voice Over:
Click on the first slide on the left side.
Click on the Inspector
Click Document (right under the red x)
Click Audio (near the top, middle)
Click record, when you want to change slides, just click.
4. Make sure you save it properly: Last Name. First Initial. Pythagorean.
5. To make into a QuickTime Video, go to File, Export, as QuickTime Video

Requirements	Points Possible	Points Earned
Real life example used: a right triangle is shown from a real life situation in which one side length is missing	5	
Pythagorean theorem correctly explained	5	
Correct mathematical terminology used in presentation	5	
The presentation includes correct step by step directions, the voice over is clear and easy to understand	10	

Step 5: Square Roots



$$* a^2 + b^2 = c^2$$

$$* 15^2 + 12^2 = c^2$$

$$* 225 + 144 = c^2$$

$$* 369 = c^2$$

$$* \sqrt{369} = \sqrt{c^2}$$

Connect Parents and Education

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Grades and Attendance



Grades History



Attendance History



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Teacher Comments



School Bulletin



Class Registration



Balance



My Calendars

Class Score Detail

Course	Teacher	Expression	Final Grade ¹
Drama	Hoke, Brion	4(A)	B+ 86%

Teacher Comments: SADC Presents

Section Description:

Due Date	Category	Assignment	Codes	Score	%	Grd
09/04/2008	Part	Improv Intro		10/10	100	A
09/08/2008	HW	Newsletter	L	10/10	100	A
10/05/2008	PROJ	Team Player		80/100	80	B-
10/28/2008	Part	Camp Soap		85/100	85	B
12/16/2008	TST	Camp Soap MTE		90/100	90	A-

Grade stored on 1/6/2009

✓ - Collected, L - Late, M - Missing, Ex - Score is exempt from final grade, * - Assignment is not included in final grade

1 - This final grade may include assignments that are not yet published by the teacher. It may also be a result of [special weighting](#) used by the teacher.

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Teacher WebPages

Website Portal Home

Select From Summit Academy Middle School

Select One of Our Schools

Mrs. Vandenberg - 6th Grade
Summit Academy Middle School
Mrs. Chris Vandenberg

*All our dreams can come true
if we have the courage to pursue them.
~Walt Disney*

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Homework

5/19 p.448 2-20 even, p.453 6-26 even due 5/20

5/21 math packet due at end of hour

5/22 math packet due Tuesday May, 26

5/26 checked packet, redo due 5/27 and DA review due 5/27

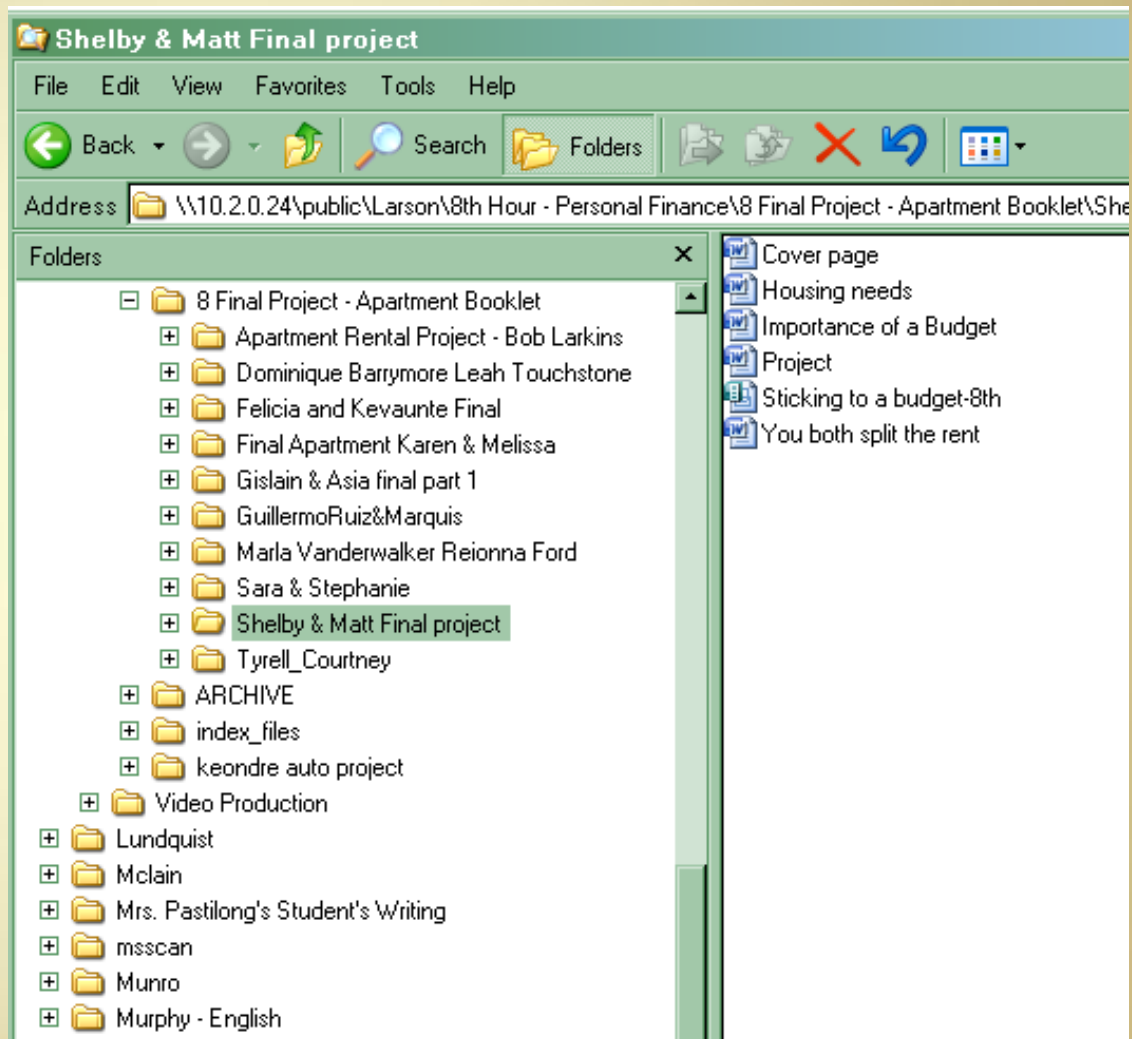
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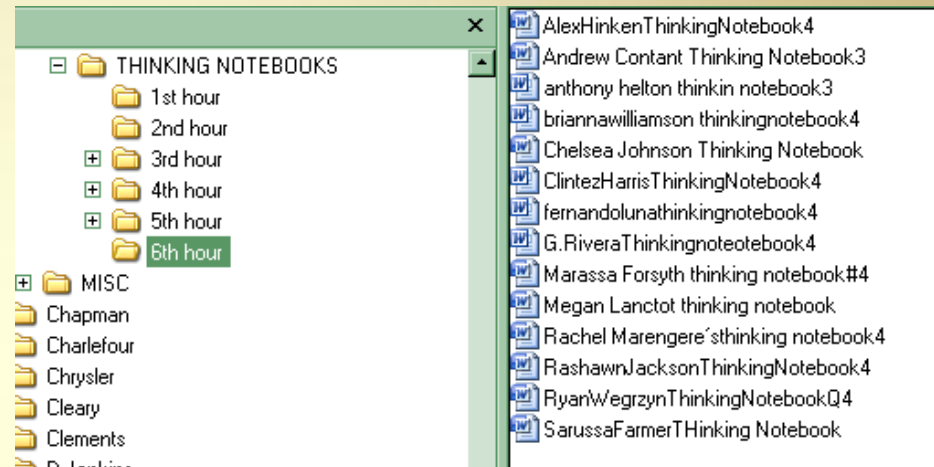
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- Classroom Policies
- Daily Operations
- List Daily Assignments with links to current content
- Post Deadlines
- Post Rubrics

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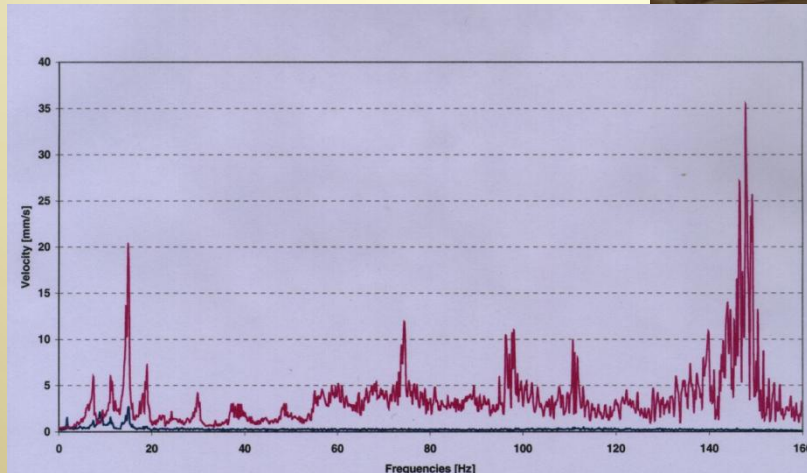


Thinking Notebooks



Garage Band Sound Vocabulary

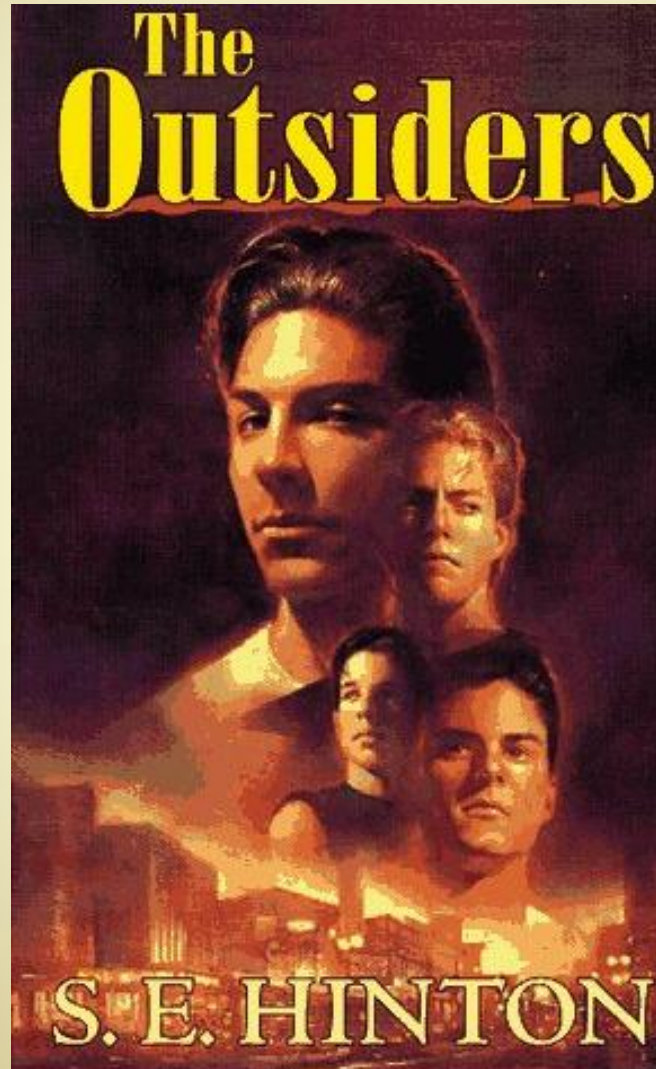
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Overtone
Resonance
Sound wave



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Outsiders Rapping Podcast



Pupils create commercials for a cause

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By Paula Evans Neuman

Seventh-graders at Summit Academy North Middle School in Romulus have made multimedia commercials.

They weren't smiling with new and improved toothpaste in hand, and they weren't swilling soda to sell it to viewers.

In fact, they weren't selling anything at all.

It all started when the children, as a year-end project, were challenged by their teachers to come to the aid of Third World communities in need.

They divided into groups, and researched communities in developing nations, selected nonprofit projects to help those communities and started fund-raising.

Through a school unit on ecology, the students learned about the importance of clean drinking water, and the scarcity of it in some parts of the world.

"They used this foundation to guide their research," teacher Alicia Jenkins said.

Then each group of students was challenged to create a commercial using video cameras and their school-provided laptop computers.

"Just as professional commercials aim to sway consumers, the student commercials aim to persuade the student body that their cause is the most worthy of aid," Jenkins said.

The children held bake sales, movie nights, dances and a silent auction to raise money for their chosen causes. Displays in the school tracked the fund-raising success for each project, but the money was pooled into one fund.

In one month, the students raised more than \$1,700. The commercials they made were shown last week to the entire seventh grade.



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Learning without Limits

It has been exciting to see students with significant reading and writing disabilities access information and demonstrate their learning with the use of their laptops. The laptops reduce the demands on reading and writing and provide a terrific means of presenting information without sacrificing content.

Katie Gindin, School Psychologist

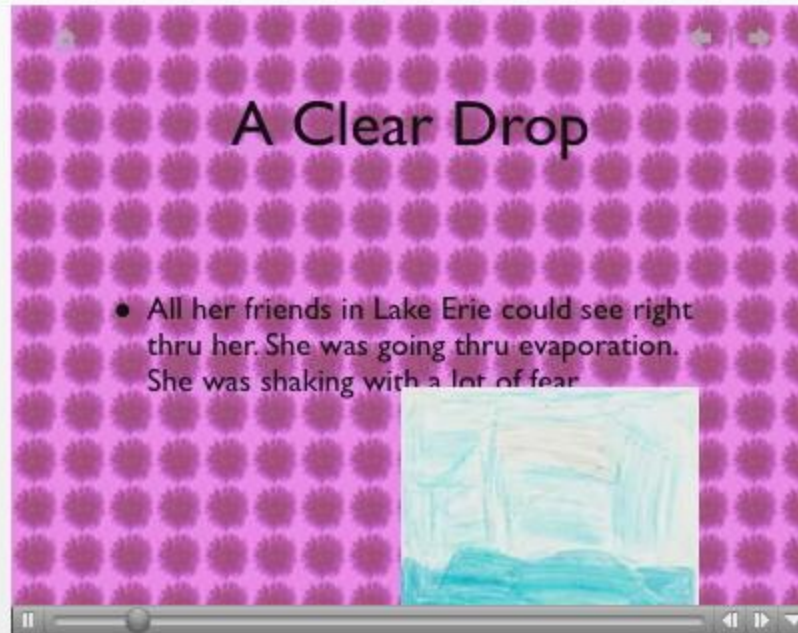
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Tabetha Waddle

Paige's Water Drop Story

June 10, 2009 9:08 AM by [Tabetha Waddle](#)

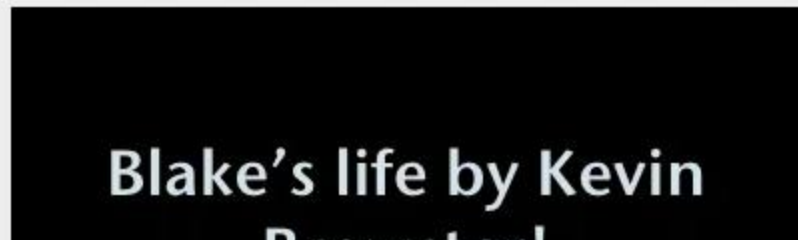
This is about a water drop that goes on an adventure and finds her friend, Shine!



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Kevin's Water Drop Story

June 9, 2009 1:42 PM by [Tabetha Waddle](#)



Wiki's and Blogs

Book Club Summaries

Your Name Here

Title of Book

Date of Entry

Chapter Number and Name

Summary of Events

Additional Comments

Nolan

Apr 8, 2009 9:07 AM



nolan

phineas and ferb runaway hit
chapter 1

phineas and ferb had a mom that was a serleberte but thay dowt now she is so linda is thra mom and she told all abot her life time but she thear not to tell them she was a soperstar .phines and ferb were at the table eating serelo and candis was wechen amarcin pop teenidol star .phineas and ferb now wat ther dowing phineas is gowing to mack a hit.



..Dylan

Apr 8, 2009 9:07 AM



dylan

phineas and ferb runaway hit
Chapter 1

Phineas and Ferb were at the table eating cearl. candace was wathing tv american pop teen idol star. Candace was saprizied that she was going to sign up for it at the mall.Phineases mom was a pop star and know one will remember them

Jacob

Apr 8, 2009 9:07 AM



Jacob

Phineas and Ferb Runaway Hit
Chapter 1

Phineas and Ferb are at the table eating their cereal. The tv is talking about being a pop star. Phineas said he knows what there doing today. Lida tells them about being a pop star and Phineas writes knotes and Ferb has a gaitar strap and gaitar around his waste. Candace was waching tv the tv said they were having adishins at there local mall and Candace called stacy.


Dylan

Apr 8, 2009 9:17 AM


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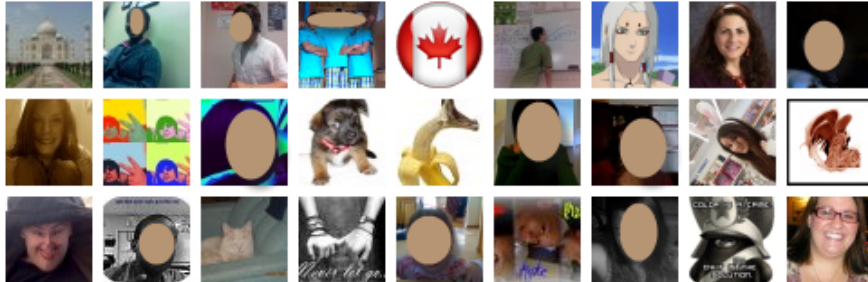
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My Birthday :)
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Going Green/ Earth Day

Posted by Kayla on April 22, 2009 at 1:00pm

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With all the pollution and global warming in the world, we need to do something about it. We are the next generation and we need to make a change. A few things you can do is:

1. Switch all of your light bulbs to CFLs. It preserves energy and it lasts longer.
2. Do not put electronics in the trash can. It has mercury in it and that is not good for the environment.
3. Recycle, Reuse, and Reduce. The three Rs help us not throw things in the trash. WE can
4. Pick up trash from the highways, around your neighborhood, or in water. Animals that live in their houses to be cluttered just like you don't like yours to be.
5. Don't pollute the air. It causes global warming.
6. Donate money to charities that help keep the earth clean and that help animals affected

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8 Comments



Comment by [Melissa](#) on April 24, 2009 at 9:33pm

*She really died?
That is very sad.
I hope that you r ok.*



Comment by [Olivia](#) on April 25, 2009 at 10:06am

O-O
Oh...
-pats-
I'm sorry...
;-;



Comment by [Haylei](#) on April 25, 2009 at 11:19am

I hope that u r fine!!! I am really sowwie bout ur mother I really am!!!!



Comment by [Iman](#) on April 26, 2009 at 10:03am

Deanna I am very sorry about your mother. I hope you truly are ok. I mean I know we aint like close buddies or nothing, but you kinda like a sister. We all family, and when one hurts because of a family member has passed away, we all hurt. I'll be praying for u! AGAIN i hope u feel better. Bye... ; ;



Comment by [Belinda](#) on April 26, 2009 at 8:29pm

Deanna, please look to your friends and family to get through this time in your life. if you need to talk we are all here for you. Knowing that death is coming des not make it easier to accept it only validates that it happens. Think happy thoughts of your family times together.
I hope her death was in peace. My thoughts are with you and your brother.



Comment by [Ryan](#) on April 26, 2009 at 9:59pm

:(



Comment by [Annelise Woitulewicz](#) on April 27, 2009 at 7:51am

Deanna, I don't know you personally but want you to know how sorry I am to hear this very sad news. May the peace which comes from the memories of love shared, comfort you now and in the days ahead.



Comment by [Kayla](#) on April 27, 2009 at 8:02am

I hope you are okay and I am sorry that this happened. :)



Comment by [joe gering](#) on April 27, 2009 at 8:51am



My Mother Died

Posted by [\[redacted\]](#) on April 24, 2009 at 8:39pm

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Today after school my father told me that my mother died a caoupel hours back, im am really sad about it but i live, im probably still going to school on monday, but if i dont go that is the reason why. :D

Started by Victoria.Burrell in [Misc Topics](#)



Barack Obama, Good or Bad?

PS: Sorry If I Have Offended Anyone. Please Let Me Know If Facts Are Not True On The List! (But if you don't have proof to back it up, I'...

Started by [Victoria.Burrell](#) in [Misc Topics](#)

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School? Education? Has it's importance become higher within our kid generation or just another place they are forced to go?

I believe in education, school, and good grades, but not all take it seriously. What is your concept or perspective on school and educati...

Started by [user](#) in [Misc Topics](#)

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DETROIT?! o:

Oh my gosh guess what! Detroit is known now as the most dangerous city in the United States. However, do you think this may vary consider...

Started by [Tiffany](#) in [Misc Topics](#)

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Think gun laws should be loosen or more strict?

I think laws should be more strict because if everyone had a gun imagine what it would be like... putting someone off in the middle would...

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1 to 1 Teacher Say

- Student engagement was more evident than in the past. Students were able to take a concept that they would normally just hear about it...they can take it to the next level.
- I was amazed how many of them spent hours at home working on projects.
- They did so much more, extra independent research.
- Peer critiquing was easy and contributed to improved quality on student projects.

Improve Teaching & Learning?

You bet! Students always asked what the next computer project was going to be. I have been teaching a long time. I found that as I learn the capabilities of the computer programs, I am able to create different ways for students to learn. I found that students learned to work with each other and tolerated each others' differences better. The social aspect of collaboration has improved. It wasn't just superficial. It was the kind of collaboration that you would see in an office. They discussed problems and solutions. They worked together to help each other. Remember that these kids were 10 to 12 years old.

I also learned that I don't have to be an expert in computer technology to assign projects. I learned right along with the students. When we got stuck, we had Heidi, Julie, or Jun to give us a hand. The students had so much more time than I had to explore the intricacies of the program. They were excited to hook up their computers to the projector to show the rest of the class. We learned from each other. ---- Stephanie B., 5th& 6th grade teacher

Writing

- Edit and rewrite work more often
- Teachers can highlight and annotate electronically
- Spell check
- Different - new set of skills



Journaling

- My kids also loved to journal in Word. It was neater than a notebook in that they could create new folders according to what they were writing about, for example, a poem folder, a work in process folder or a folder with just random writings. Some of them really liked the word count feature and were constantly updating me as to how many words their stories were up to.

- Susan Naysmith, 5th grade teacher

What if We had to stop the laptop program?





No Computers?

Yikes! I can't imagine. As I have said, I have been teaching a long time. (I showed 16mm. movies which were better than filmstrips--both state of the art developments for teaching students about new information!) Dittos were the new thing which saved a lot of writing from the blackboard. The computer is all these things and more rolled up into one. I can see the benefits to students using computers in the classroom. **I would never want to go back.**

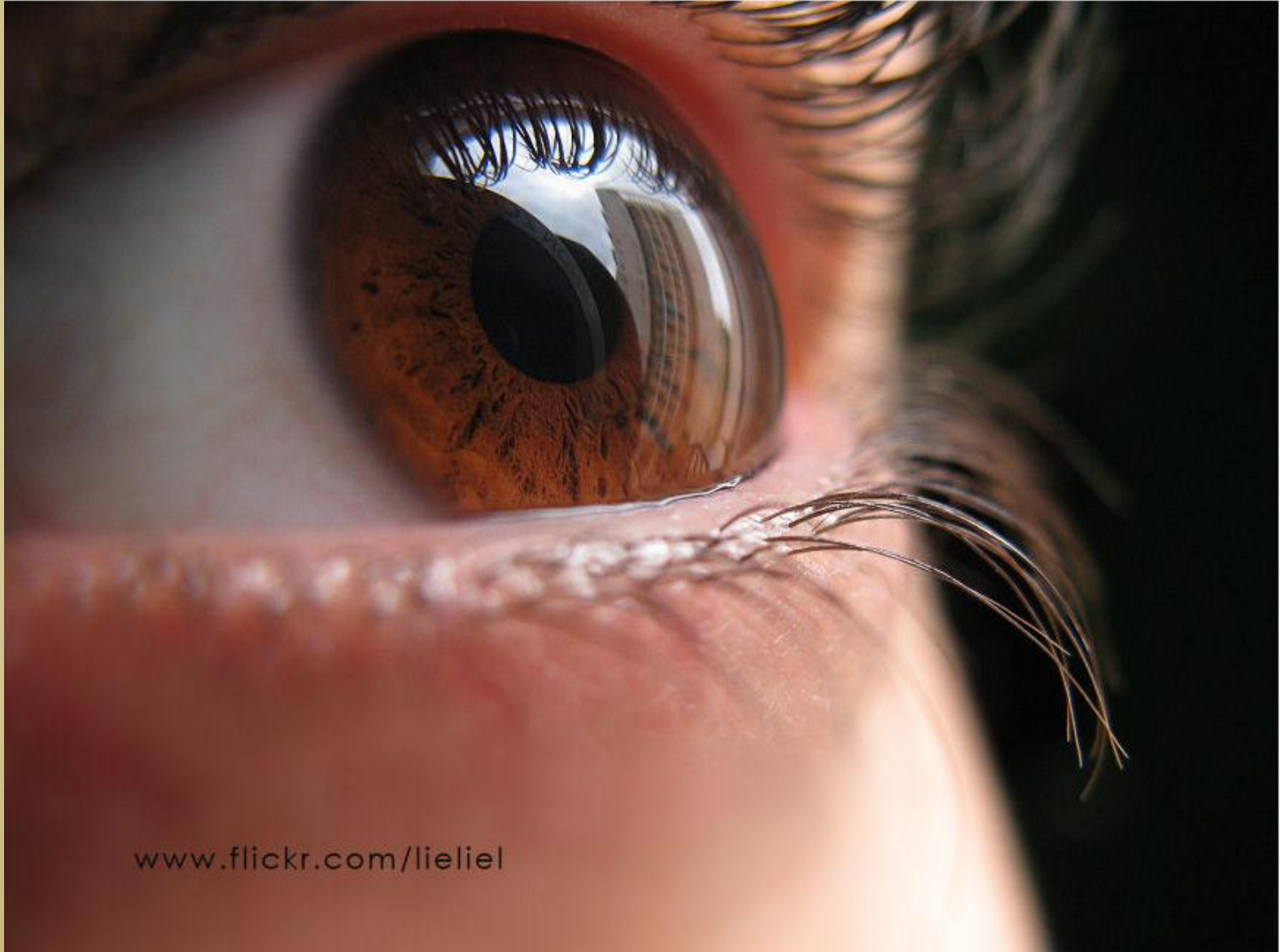
Stephanie Bourdeau, 5/6th Grade teacher

Today I shared

1. Logistics of program
2. Initial Fears
3. Implementation
4. Management
5. Extra-ordinary Learning
6. Questions



Where are you looking to go?

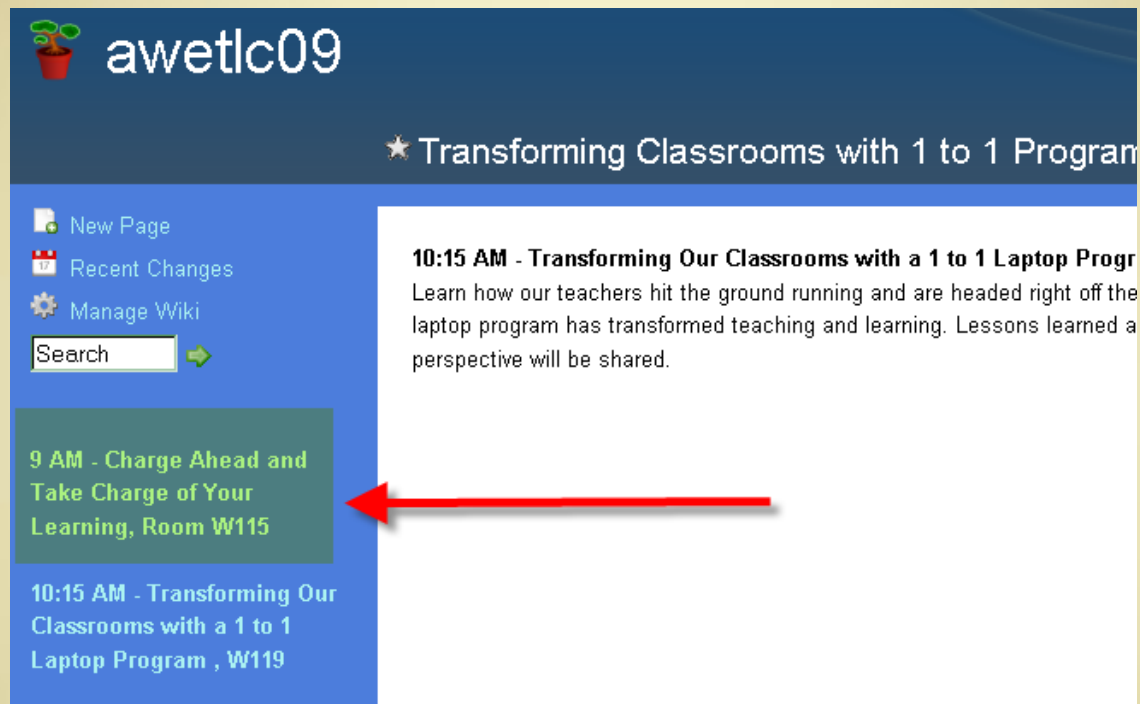


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