

ITCENTER21: INTRODUCTION TO COMPUTERS AND IT – CASE STUDY

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Program: ITcenter21:
Introduction to Computers & IT

Teacher: Charles Raimondo

Grades: 6-8

Enrollment: 1366

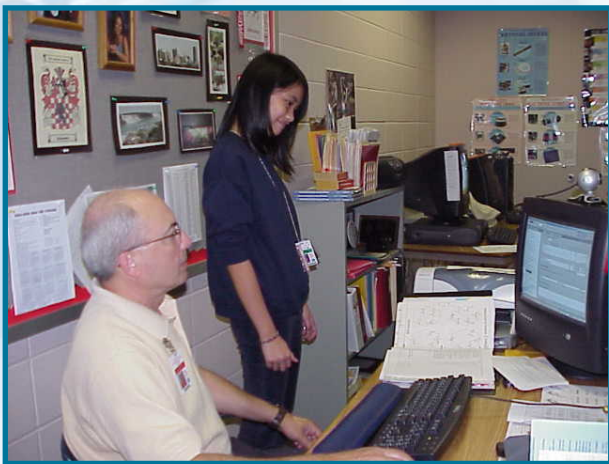
Course Title: Computer I,
Computer II

Year of Installation: 2003

O'Donnell Middle School combines ITcenter21 with existing curriculum to teach Computer Literacy...

"I use the ITcenter21 lab primarily with 7th and 8th grade students for a Computer Literacy course which we call Computer I." says Charles Raimondo, Business Teacher at O'Donnell Middle School. "I also, use it with students who have completed Computer I. In this advanced class (Computer II) students use some of the Units from ITcenter21 as well as my Teacher made activities.

I have had many success stories but this one comes from the Computer II class. They completed the Unit called Web Publishing. I modified it so that students could choose the main topic for the Web Site. The unit instructs students to build web pages for a Web Site that is about information technology. I gave students the option to replace the title with creating a web site that is fictional or one that is about their real life (family, friends, school, etc.). If fictional, they were to simulate being the owner of a business and create a website following the directions from the Web Publishing unit in ITcenter21. This unit not only taught students about web publishing, but also allowed me to be creative with my students.



This was my first year using ITcenter21 and I enjoyed it very much. I was able to use the Units to teach 7th and 8th graders basic and advanced computer skills. I was also able to continue to coordinate my teacher made activities with the AES software. The academic staff at our school will use the core curriculum units, i.e. Science, Language Arts etc. as enrichment activities in their academic classrooms.

I would like to personally thank the AES Customer Support Team for the training I received in the summer. It was great!"

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