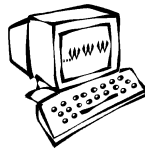


Educational Philosophy

Young people today need to be ready for a constantly changing world. I believe it is important that they learn to problem solve for themselves, both individually and through working with others, and avoid developing an over-reliance on technology.

I want my students to understand and be able to explain what they are doing and why: I truly feel that learning is more meaningful when they gain insight into how things work. I want them to become confident in their own problem solving skills and value that there is often more than one way to accomplish most tasks.



Contacting Me

I encourage parents and guardians to contact me so we can work together to ensure the best learning experience for your student.

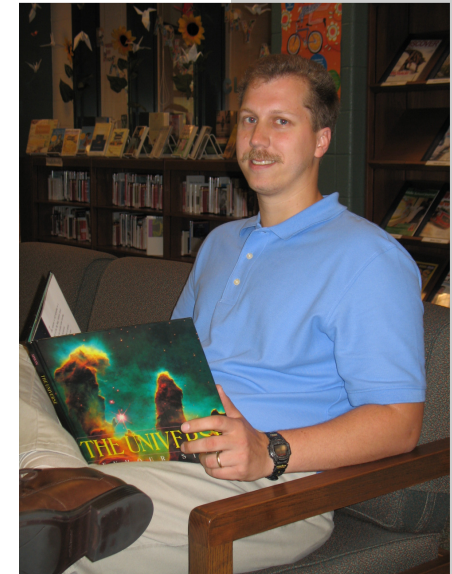
I check and reply to emails during the day. Phone messages often cannot be returned until after school or the next day.

Favorite Reading

I enjoy the early 20th century American writers (I am currently reading Faulkner). I subscribe to several magazines as well (my favorite is Archaeology). I also try to stay up on current events and new scientific discoveries by daily reading the news on the Internet.

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Educational Background

Indiana Middle School Math Teaching license, 2005. Indiana Department of Education.

Rice University School of Mathematics Project (RUSMP), 2004.

Texas Middle School Math Certification, 2002. University of Saint Thomas, Houston, TX.

B.A., English-Literature/Political Science, 1996. Drew University, Madison, NJ.

My Classroom

I try to foster a love of learning in my class. My students are encouraged to do their best and value different learning approaches and problem solving methods. I try to create an atmosphere where students are comfortable actively participating, and even making mistakes, as they learn new skills.

I expect students to respect themselves, others and school property as they grow to be young adults.

Professional and Volunteer Experience

I have prior work experience in the fields of Insurance, Accounting, Banking, Marine Engineering and E*commerce. I am featured in current edition of Managing Information Technology (Prentice Hall) for my work in the E*commerce industry.

I am a member of Kappa Delta Pi, International Honor Society in Education.

Once my wife and I are done with our own new home repairs and work, I look forward to volunteering again with Habitat For Humanity.

I also had a wonderful year Volunteering at the Houston Museum of Natural Science and hope to become active with a museum here in Indiana.

Biography

My first teaching experience was in inner-city Newark, NJ with Americorps. I chose to teach math because I really didn't appreciate it myself until I used it in the "real world." Now, I hope to share some of those practical applications with my students.

I love to travel! My wife and I moved to Indiana in 2006. We usually visit a foreign country once a year; but, I am really enjoying exploring different parts of Indiana one weekend a month and discovering all the United States has to offer by traveling to different states during the summer.

My wife and I have two cats.

