

Classroom Ideas for Digital Images

Dr. David Thornburg writes, "it is important that educators move beyond the mechanics of camera use, and image editing, to the design and implementation of curriculum-based projects that take advantage of digital images to help students understand things in new ways." In this workshop, we will explore classroom activities and online resources, and work to create a lesson plan that incorporates digital images.

Presenter(s): Charlene Chausis, Adlai E. Stevenson High School

Date(s): August 7, 2008

Time: 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Contact E-Mail: chausis@iceberg.org

Level: Participants should have basic Internet skills.

Platform Information: We will use a Macintosh lab, but content is cross-platform

Bring Your Own Laptop Available: Yes

Location:

Adlai E. Stevenson High School

One Stevenson Drive

Lincolnshire, IL 60069

Room 3024 - Computer Lab

Come Blog With Me

In this session we will be setting up a blog using www.edublogs.org. We will cover all of the ins and outs of communicating using a blog in order to give your classroom a voice on the Internet! Another important topic that will be discussed is how to encourage your students to be productive digital citizens while they are interacting within the confines of your blog. As an added bonus we will cover posting audio on your blog using Audacity.

Presenter(s): Brenda Muench, IWCUSD10

Date(s): July 21, 2008

Time: 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Contact E-Mail: muenchb@iwest.k12.il.us

Level: Please bring your own set of headphones and a microphone if you already have one. We will have some headphones and microphones available. Please have your email address handy for registration purposes.

Platform Information: We will use a Windows lab, but content is cross-platform

Bring Your Own Laptop Available: No

Location:

IWES/Gilman

215 E. Second Street

Additional Information: Please find us at the North door of the building, by the playground! The Computer lab is air conditioned so please dress accordingly.

Gilman IL 60938

Comic Life/PhotoBooth

Learn to create High-Quality comics that can be posted to the web, included in a movie, or just shared with teachers and students. Tell a Biography in first person perspective,

tell an original story, create a super hero and tell his/her story, show a cycle, create a "how-to" and much more in comic form. Connect to students through their language...technology.

Presenter(s): Debra Segiet, NLS122

Date(s): June 25, 2008

Time: 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM

Contact E-Mail: dsegiet@nlsd122.org

Platform Information: Macintosh Only

Bring Your Own Laptop Available: Yes

Location:

Alex M. Martino

731 E. Joliet Highway

New Lenox, IL 60451

Computer Mini-Camp for Teachers

Participants will be learning about several useful and fun applications. Software to be used are the Microsoft Office 2003 Suite, PhotoStory, Movie Maker, and SmartBoard software. We will also learn about digital cameras, scanners, and video cameras. Participants are encouraged to bring lesson ideas and pictures. Wear your comfy clothes and be prepared to learn and have fun!

Presenter(s): Anna Jukes, Opdyke-Belle Rive Dist. 5

Date(s): June 3, 2008 & June 4, 2008

Time: 8:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Contact E-Mail: ajukes@roe25.com

Level: This workshop is geared to beginner to intermediate computer users.

Platform Information: Windows Only

Bring Your Own Laptop Available: Yes

Location:

Opdyke Attendance Center

19380 E 4th St.

Opdyke, IL

Additional Information: The computer lab is located on the second floor of the school.

Creating Book Backdrops using Primary Sources

Participants will bring a fiction or non-fiction novel of their choice and learn how and where to gather primary sources that enhance the story by setting the visual and historic context for students. Participants will create a book backdrop using primary sources for the Library of Congress and other websites that can be shared via the Internet.

Participants may want to bring more than one novel to this workshop.

Presenter(s): Judy Bee, The Library of Congress Teaching with Primary Sources & Richard Satchwell, The Library of Congress Teaching with Primary Sources

Date(s): July 10, 2008 & July 11, 2008

Time: 8:30 AM - 3:30 PM

Contact E-Mail: jbee@ilstu.edu

Level: There are no prerequisites

Platform Information: We will use a Windows lab, but content is cross-platform

Bring Your Own Laptop Available: No

Location:

Room 164D Milner Library

Illinois State University

Normal, IL 61761

Curriculum Web Pages and Amazing Uses

See curriculum web pages, classroom web pages and other practical uses such as student electronic portfolios using iWeb software for Mac platform. Learn how to create your own class web page or create science, social studies, math or reading pages for your students to use. Applicable to all teachers (general ed., ELL, bilingual, LD, etc). Grade level samples 3rd-8th. Powerful, practical, pretty soon, you can do it , too!

Come join us!

Presenter(s): Jill Ziegler, Wheeling CC School District 21 & Helene Davitz -
Technology Facilitator, Glenview School District 34

Date(s): June 24, 2008

Time: 8:30 AM - 3:30 PM

Contact E-Mail: jziegler@ccsd21.org

Level: Session for any teacher, beginners welcome. This means beginners in regard to creating web pages. Familiarity with internet and keyboard helpful.

Platform Information: We will use a Macintosh lab, but content is cross-platform

Bring Your Own Laptop Available: Yes

Location:

Edgar Allan Poe School

2800 North Highland Avenue

Arlington Heights, IL 60004

847-670-3200

Digital Portfolios & web 2.0

Learn how to integrate digital portfolios into existing curriculum. Web 2.0 will be introduced and lesson plans will be shared. (All lesson are aligned with NETS-S and guided by ISTE) Participants will be guided through Web 2.0 tools and the art of creating a portfolio. Lessons were designed for Spanish classes, but will be translated into English. This is for a beginner- or anyone who would like to differentiate classroom instruction via reflection and creative web based assignments that allow students to create intuitive and meaningful products. Return to school with a few new tools!

Presenter(s): Lisa Bucciarelli, Hinsdale Central High School

Date(s): July 24, 2008

Time: 8:30 AM - 3:30 PM

Contact E-Mail: lisadelphine@sbcglobal.net

Level: For beginners-- all web 2.0 tools are free.

Platform Information: We will use a Windows lab, but content is cross-platform

Bring Your Own Laptop Available: Yes

Location: Hinsdale Central High School

Dreamweaver & CSS

Take Adobe's Dreamweaver to the next level! Cascading Style Sheets (CSS) is the focus of this workshop. Creating structured web pages and design principles will be introduced. Learn the power and beauty of styles to bring life to web page content. Develop web page layouts with CSS instead of tables.

Presenter(s): Terry Slocum, Oakton Community College/iSiteIt Web Consulting

Date(s): July 18, 2008

Time: 8:30 AM - 3:30 PM

Contact E-Mail: tslocum@ameritech.net

Level: Previous attendance at an Dreamweaver Essentials workshop or thorough knowledge of Dreamweaver's Web page formatting are required.

Platform Information: We will use a Macintosh lab, but content is cross-platform

Bring Your Own Laptop Available: Yes

Location:

Adlai E Stevenson High School

1 Stevenson Drive

Lincolnshire, IL 60069

(847) 634-4000

Additional Information: Participants bringing their own laptops must install Dreamweaver CS3.

Dreamweaver Essentials

Build better web pages and web sites. In this workshop you will be introduced to the concepts of well structured web pages. Dreamweaver creates the code that web browsers interpret. The powerful features of Dreamweaver that allow you to focus on content and design. Software version to be used: Dreamweaver CS3.

Presenter(s): Terry Slocum, Oakton Community College/iSiteIt Web Consulting

Date(s): July 11, 2008

Time: 8:30 AM - 3:30 PM

Contact E-Mail: tslocum@ameritech.net

Level: Basic computer skills; understanding of the use of tables, images, links and folder/file management.

Platform Information: We will use a Macintosh lab, but content is cross-platform

Bring Your Own Laptop Available: Yes

Location:

Adlai E Stevenson High School

1 Stevenson Drive

Lincolnshire, IL 60069

(847) 634-4000

Additional Information: Participants bringing their own laptops must install Dreamweaver CS3.

Excel for Teachers

Beginner's Guide to Excel: Use your own data to create great looking tables and graphs.

Presenter(s): Dain Elman, Gurnee DIstrict 56

Date(s): August 8, 2008

Time: 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Contact E-Mail: delman@d56.org

Level: For beginners

Platform Information: We will use a Macintosh lab, but content is cross-platform

Bring Your Own Laptop Available: Yes

Location:

Viking Middle School

4460 Old Grand Ave.

Gurnee, IL

GarageBand and Podcasting

Garageband ia a piece of Apple iLife software that allows you and your students the ability to have their own personal recording studio — where it's easy to make a song whether you're a first-time musician or a seasoned pro. You can record, edit, and mix a song exactly as you want it, utmost quality. It also gives you the ability to make Podast. Podcasts are professional or homemade audio broadcasts that are available on the Internet. Unlike traditional radio shows that have set schedules, podcasts can be downloaded and listened to anytime in iTunes or on iPod. Your students can record themselves reading, can put a narrative into radio form, can do interviews of real or fictitious people, can do a school radio show, and much more. You can record lessons for students to reference in future classes. The application for this technology is limitless.

Presenter(s): Debra Segiet, NLS122

Date(s): June 24, 2008

Time: 8:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Contact E-Mail: dsegiet@nlsd122.org

Level: Have an idea of a lesson you could enhance with an audio format for the actual teaching of the lesson or a student deliverable.

Platform Information: Macintosh Only

Bring Your Own Laptop Available: Yes

Location:

Alex M. Martino Junior High

731 E. Joliet Highway

Room 23

New Lenox, IL 60451

Additional Information: Teachers who do not bring their own computers would have to have a flash drive to save their work to. I would suggest at least 2 GB.

Give Your Classroom a Voice with Digital Storytelling

We will explore 3 ways to utilize your digital pictures for a new exciting concept called Digital Storytelling! This session will cover using Microsoft Photo Story to bring your

digital photos to life. Please bring lots of energy to this one...We will get you started adding some excitement to your pictures and we will have a great afternoon creating! We will also use Voice Thread to connect members of your learning community interactively through your digital pictures. Another topic we will touch upon is the many uses of Flickr.

Presenter(s): Brenda Muench, IWCUSD10 & Laurel Rodriguez, IWCUSD10

Date(s): July 25, 2008

Time: 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Contact E-Mail: muenchb@iwest.k12.il.us

Level: Please bring some digital pictures either on a flash drive or a memory card, a music CD or 2, your own set of headphones, a blank CDR and a microphone if you already have one. We will have some headphones and microphones available. Please have your email address handy for registration purposes.

Platform Information: Windows Only

Bring Your Own Laptop Available: No

Location:

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Independent Reading 2.0

Teachers who use independent reading, literature circles, or film discussion groups don't want to miss this class! Using Web 2.0 technology, this course will replace your tired reading journals with blogging and discussion threads using Blogspot and Shelfari. On day two, we'll move beyond just text to multi-media publishing tools such as bubbleply.com and teachertube.com for video, flickr.com and voicethread.com for images and voice-over, and mystudiyo.com for quizzes. Say goodbye to book projects, with this technology at your disposal, your students will be publishing and posting with ease and flair.

Presenter(s): Wendy Reitz, Maine East High School & Mecca Sadler, Maine East High School

Date(s): July 14, 2008 & July 15, 2008

Time: 8:30 AM - 3:30 PM

Contact E-Mail: wreitz@maine207.org

Level: None

Platform Information: We will use a Windows lab, but content is cross-platform

Bring Your Own Laptop Available: Yes

Location:

Maine East High School

2601 W. Dempster

Park Ridge, IL 60068

Additional Information: Anyone can benefit from this workshop, but its specific audience is language arts, reading, and film teachers at middle, high school, and college levels.

Introduction to Flash

Use Flash for animated storytelling or to demonstrate concepts in class.

Presenter(s): Dain Elman, Gurnee District 56

Date(s): August 6, 2008

Time: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Contact E-Mail: delman@d56.org

Platform Information: We will use a Macintosh lab, but content is cross-platform

Bring Your Own Laptop Available: Yes

Location:

Viking Middle School

4460 Old Grand Ave.

Gurnee, IL

Introduction to Podcasting

Learn how to locate, listen to, and create your own podcasts for the classroom using iTunes and Garageband.

Presenter(s): Dain Elman, Gurnee District 56

Date(s): August 4, 2008

Time: 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Contact E-Mail: delman@d56.org

Level: Beginner level

Platform Information: Macintosh Only

Bring Your Own Laptop Available: Yes

Location:

Viking Middle School

4460 Old Grand Ave.

Gurnee, IL

Keynote '08

Want an alternative to PowerPoint and AppleWorks Presentation that is more user-friendly? Come learn about a new Desktop Publishing tool in this fun and exciting hands-on session.

Presenter(s): Debra Segiet, NLS122

Date(s): July 8, 2008

Time: 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM

Contact E-Mail: dsegiet@nlsd122.org

Platform Information: Windows Only

Bring Your Own Laptop Available: Yes

Location:

Alex M. Martino Junior High
731 E, Joliet Highway
New Lenox, IL 60451

Literature and the Computer

Elementary teachers have always used literature connections. Come expand that connections to include technology. Come learn about books in your school library that you can use to springboard lessons on the computer across the curriculum. We will use Photo Story, Power Point, Excel and the Internet. This class will be geared toward the K-4 population.

Presenter(s): Nancy Conlon, Mattoon Community Unit 2

Date(s): June 9, 2008

Time: 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Contact E-Mail: ngc@mattoon.k12.il.us

Level: all levels

Platform Information: We will use a Windows lab, but content is cross-platform

Bring Your Own Laptop Available: Yes

Location:

Riddle School

4201 Western Ave.

Mattoon, Illinois 61938

Pages '08

Want an alternative to Word and AppleWorks that is more user-friendly? Come learn about a new Desktop Publishing tool in this fun and exciting hands-on session.

Presenter(s): Debra Segiet, NLS122

Date(s): July 9, 2008

Time: 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM

Contact E-Mail: dsegiet@nlsd122.org

Platform Information: Macintosh Only

Bring Your Own Laptop Available: Yes

Location:

Alex M. Martino Junior High

731 E. Joliet Highway

New Lenox, IL 60451

Podcasting for Absolute Beginners

Never created a podcast? We will make you into a podcaster extraordinaire in only three hours! In this class you will create a podcast using Audacity. Audacity is a free audio editor and recorder which works with Windows or Macs. You will record your own voice and add copyright free background music. The process we use is simple, but just in case you have any questions about what we did in class when you get back to school in the fall, a CD with screenshots will be provided.

Presenter(s): Gail LeGrand, Highland Park High School

Date(s): July 2, 2008

Time: 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Contact E-Mail: glegrand@dist113.org

Level: This is a class for beginners. No experience podcasting is required.

Platform Information: We will use a Windows lab, but content is cross-platform

Bring Your Own Laptop Available: Yes

Location:

Highland Park High School

433 Vine Avenue

Highland Park, IL. 60031

Additional Information: I will be out of the country between May 10th and June 2nd and may not reply immediately to any messages you send during that time.

Pulling it Together with Microsoft Office One Note

Learn how to use Microsoft Office One Note to create and supplement a topic which you would like to teach using technology. Things to be worked on include:

- organization
- including One Note with other programs (e.g. Sketchpad, Word, Powerpoint)
- creating tutorials
- producing in-class notes for outside use
- using live sessions for real-time sharing
- and other tablet features.

This is a hands on workshop. You will leave with a variety of finished products ready to be utilized in the classroom and share with your colleagues.

Presenter(s): Carol Benson, University High School & Zach Eccles, Lake Zurich High School

Date(s): June 23, 2008

Time: 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Contact E-Mail: benson@ilstu.edu

Level: A basic knowledge of Microsoft Office programs and a knowledge of web sources which they would like to incorporate into their classroom. Bring a topic for development.

Platform Information: Windows Only

Bring Your Own Laptop Available: Yes

Location:

University High School Room 216

500 W. Gregory

Normal, IL 61761

Additional Information: Please bring a jump drive to the workshop. Tablets with One Note will be provided for your use during the workshop.

Scratch!

Scratch (scratch.mit.edu) is a fun, free, easy to use programming tool suitable for students in grades 4 and up. With Scratch, kids can create their own interactive games, stories, simulations, and animation -- or simply enjoy the logical exercise of creating commands

and receiving immediate, visual feedback. Workshop participants will program and create with Scratch, explore shared projects on the Scratch web site, and discuss how Scratch can be most effectively used with students.

Presenter(s): Carolyn Skibba, Burley School Technology Coordinator

Date(s): July 28, 2008

Time: 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Contact E-Mail: caskibba@cps.edu

Level: No programming experience is required -- just a creative and open mind! Scratch is a great deal of fun for adults and kids alike.

Platform Information: We will use a Macintosh lab, but content is cross-platform

Bring Your Own Laptop Available: Yes

Location:

Burley School

1630 W. Barry Avenue

Chicago, IL

Additional Information: One block south of the intersection of Belmont, Ashland, and Lincoln. Room 101.

Senteo Student Response Systems

SMART Senteo Student response systems are a teacher's newest technology tool. Participants will learn how to set up their systems and create classes. They will also learn how to create their own test. Shortcuts to creating test will be shared. Please be prepared to create assessments using your existing curriculum. Bring assessment files that have been created using Microsoft Word.

Presenter(s): Kellie English, Kankakee School

Date(s): July 31, 2008

Time: 8:30 AM - 11:30 PM

Contact E-Mail: Kellie-english@ksd111.org

Level: Participants should have had experience in using SMART Notebook.

Platform Information: We will use a Windows lab, but content is cross-platform

Bring Your Own Laptop Available: Yes

Location:

Kankakee High School

Room 121 B

1200 West Jeffery

Kankakee, IL 60901

SharePoint Showcase

This session provides participants an opportunity to explore Windows SharePoint Services 3.0 and MS SharePoint Services 2007. This collaboration/publishing tool can be used to deliver curriculum, instruction and resources within your district. Presenters will share how this tool has been implemented in a K-12 setting. Hands-on activities include creating a WSS site containing webparts such as document libraries, lists, calendars, links and discussion boards.

Presenter(s): Colleen Cannon-Ruffo, Naperville SD203 & Jackie Rouse, Naperville SD203

Date(s): June 16, 2008

Time: 8:30 AM – 3:30 PM

Contact E-Mail: ccannonruffo@naperville203.org

Level: Participants need no prior experience with SharePoint Portal or Windows SharePoint Services, but should be comfortable and confident in the use of computers and the internet. Computer beginners may find this workshop frustrating.

Platform Information: We will use a Windows lab, but content is cross-platform

Bring Your Own Laptop Available: Yes - If you are bringing your own laptop, please have Internet Explorer 6.0 or later and Office 2003 or later on your laptop.

Location:

Naperville 203 Administrative Center (PSAC)

Rooms D and E

203 West Hillside

Naperville, IL 60540

SMART Notebook 10 for Beginners

SMART Notebook 10 has many great features. Many of these features may leave you a little overwhelmed. Join us at this workshop as we learn these new features and some of the many other features and functions of SMART Notebook. Time will be given for creating your own lessons.

Presenter(s): Kellie English, Kankakee School

Date(s): July 29, 2008

Time: 8:30 AM - 3:00 PM

Contact E-Mail: Kellie-english@ksd111.org

Level: This a beginners session

Platform Information: We will use a Windows lab, but content is cross-platform

Bring Your Own Laptop Available: Yes

Location:

Kankakee High School

1200 West Jeffery

Kankakee, IL 60901

Room 121 B

SMART Notebook 10 Intermediate

SMART Notebook 10 has many great features. Many of these features may leave you a little overwhelmed. Join us at this workshop as we learn these new features and some of the many other features and functions of SMART Notebook. Time will be given for creating your own lessons.

Presenter(s): Kellie English, Kankakee School

Date(s): July 30, 2008

Time: 8:30 AM - 3:00 PM

Contact E-Mail: Kellie-english@ksd111.org

Level: Participants should have had experience in using SMART Notebook.

Platform Information: We will use a Windows lab, but content is cross-platform

Bring Your Own Laptop Available: Yes

Location:

Kankakee High School

1200 West Jeffery

Kankakee, IL 60901

Room 121 B

Additional Information: Participants may attend both the beginners and intermediate sessions.

Smartboard Playgroup for the Intermediate Classroom

Come find out what all your Smartboard can do. We will use the new activity tools, find lesson resources online and create some lessons on our own. The afternoon sessions will focus on 4-8 ideas and curriculum.

Presenter(s): Nancy Conlon, Mattoon Community Unit 2

Date(s): June 10, 2008

Time: 12:30 PM - 3:30 PM

Contact E-Mail: ngc@mattoon.k12.il.us

Platform Information: We will use a Windows lab, but content is cross-platform

Bring Your Own Laptop Available: Yes

Location:

Riddle School

4201 Western Ave.

Mattoon, Illinois 61938

Social Networking with SharePoint

This session explores how participants can utilize SharePoint's Social Networking collaborative tools in a K-12 setting. Participants will create Wikis, Blogs and Discussion Boards and learn how to manage the permissions on these tools. Discussion will also address how to utilize these tools in a K-12 environment. If you are going to bring your own laptop, please make sure to have Internet Explorer 6.0 or greater and Office 2003 or greater installed on your machine.

Presenter(s): Colleen Cannon-Ruffo, Naperville SD203 & Jackie Rouse, Naperville SD203

Date(s): June 11, 2008

Time: 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Contact E-Mail: ccannonruffo@naperville203.org

Level: Participants should be familiar with Windows SharePoint Services and be comfortable using this tool. They should be comfortable and confident in the use of computers and the internet. Computer beginners may find this course frustrating.

Platform Information: We will use a Windows lab, but content is cross-platform

Bring Your Own Laptop Available: Yes

Location:

Naperville 203 Administrative Center (PSAC)

Tech Center

203 West Hillside
Naperville, IL 60540

Take Drudgery and Plagiarism out of Research Papers

Disengaged learning, poor reading skills, disorganization, inaccurate documentation--the educational causes of plagiarism--will be explored and the solutions that technology provides will be the focus of this workshop. We will look at available programs to collect data, create bibliographies, detect plagiarism. The focus of the workshop will be PaperToolsPro, research management software to write notes as quotations, summaries, or paraphrases, to identify each note with descriptors and keywords, create bibliographies in 6 styles, append a citation to each note, and organize notes using a search query. By the end of the session, participants will understand the thinking process that PaperToolsPro took them through as they created notes, bibliographies, citations, outlines, and the beginnings of a rough draft of a research paper. Educators interested in this software teach in middle school, high school, college, graduate school, or are professional writers--anyone who needs to write a rigorous research paper with ease, but without plagiarism.

Presenter(s): Dorothy Mikuska, ePen&Inc.

Date(s): August 5, 2008

Time: 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Contact E-Mail: mikuska1@mac.com

Level: Use an Internet browser to access information online

Keyboard skills

Platform Information: We will use a Windows lab, but content is cross-platform

Bring Your Own Laptop Available: No

Location:

Glenbard South High School

23 W 200 Butterfield Road

Glen Ellyn, IL 60137

Additional Information: Participants can bring their own laptops; but they may not have Internet access from Glenbard South's WiFi system, and the software and teaching materials will be online rather than preinstalled on a computer. Each participant will be given a free one-year online subscription to PaperToolsPro, which they can access from any computer's Internet browser with high speed Internet access.

United Streaming and Teacher Tube

Come explore what is available on United Streaming and Teacher Tube and how to use video clips in Power Point and on the Smartboard to motivate students. Activities and websites will be shared to use with videos. This can be adapted to fit K-12 classrooms across the curriculum.

Presenter(s): Nancy Conlon, Mattoon Community Unit 2

Date(s): June 10, 2008

Time: 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Contact E-Mail: ngc@mattoon.k12.il.us

Level: all levels

Platform Information: We will use a Windows lab, but content is cross-platform

Bring Your Own Laptop Available: Yes

Location:

Riddle School

4201 Western Ave.

Mattoon, Illinois 61938

Using Excel for Data Analysis

Session covers Excel basics, descriptive statistics, histograms, charting, scattergrams, correlations, single and multiple regressions, auto filtering, conditional formatting, pivotables, and merging data using Access. Participants may bring their own laptops (Windows only). We can accommodate both Excel 2003 and 2007. If you do not bring a laptop, you will be using Excel 2003. Access and Excel are required as well as the Excel Add-ins, Analysis ToolPak and Analysis ToolPak-VBA. We will provide datasets to use as the various tools are presented. We encourage participants to bring their own datasets with which to practice.

Presenter(s): Gerry Zeller, West 40 Intermediate Service Center & Dr. Douglas Dirks, Lead Consultant (Retired), West 40 Intermediate Service Center

Date(s): July 10, 2008

Time: 8:30 AM - 3:30 PM

Contact E-Mail: gzeller@zellerandassociates.com

Level: Participants should be familiar with Excel and should understand columns, rows, and simple formulas.

Platform Information: Windows Only

Bring Your Own Laptop Available: Yes

Location:

West 40 Intermediate Service Center

928 Barnsdale road

La Grange Park, IL 60526

Web 2.0 in the Language Arts Classroom

Engage students and improve productivity by integrating Web 2.0 tools into your reading curriculum. Learn how to use Shelfari.com, a free social networking site for readers, and other free social networking and blogging tools to promote meaningful communication about literature between students and teachers.

Presenter(s): Carolyn Skibba, Burley School Technology Coordinator

Date(s): July 21, 2008

Time: 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Contact E-Mail: caskibba@cps.edu

Level: You will need a web-accessible e-mail account in order to create accounts on the free sites we will use, but you may set up a Yahoo account during the session if you wish. Beginners are welcome!

Platform Information: We will use a Macintosh lab, but content is cross-platform

Bring Your Own Laptop Available: Yes

Location:

Burley School
1630 W. Barry Avenue
Chicago, IL

Additional Information: One block south of the intersection of Belmont, Ashland, and Lincoln. Room 101.

What Can Google Do For You?

During this informative session we will be exploring the handy website known as www.google.com. We will sign up for a google e-mail (gmail) account and spend time in Google for Educators using Google Docs and Google Calendar. We will also cover how to search effectively as well as various ways to refine your searches, use the google image search function, the language tools and the mathematical conversion tools.

Presenter(s): Laurel Rodriguez, IWCUSD10

Date(s): July 23, 2008

Time: 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Contact E-Mail: rodriguezl@iwest.k12.il.us

Level: Basic internet knowledge is the only prerequisite.

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Your Guide to Becoming a Digital Educator

What tools belong in a digital educator's toolbox? How can technology be used to improve student learning? How can teachers use 21st Century tools such as cameras, iPods and the Web 2.0, to form strategies for teaching "digital native" students? During this online class, we will explore research, engage in discussion, and work to develop your own plan of action for incorporating 21st Century tools in your educational practice.

Presenter(s): Charlene Chausis, Adlai E. Stevenson High School

Date(s): July 7, 2008 - July 28, 2008

Time: N/A

Contact E-Mail: chausis@iceberg.org

Level: Participants need basic Internet skills and an Internet connection from home. Any platform.

Platform Information: Not platform specific. Entire workshop is completed online.

Bring Your Own Laptop Available: Participants must have access to own computer.

Location: Online only