

Rationale Statement: Specialization Standard 2-4

Lance A. Webel, Cincinnati Hills Christian Academy

Outcome: Plans for the management of technology resources within the context of learning activities.

Evidence: EDUC 6662 Week 3 Application

This assignment asked students to create a newsletter in Microsoft Word for our classrooms. Though I would never pour this amount of time and effort into a basic unidirectional communication tool in my paperless classroom, I believe that my use of the software allowed me to effectively complete the goals while communicating necessary information to my students.

Most importantly, I believe that reasonable restraint and rational limits are very important when managing technology resources. Too many technology teachers become pack rats, collecting new software and hardware at dizzying rates and cluttering up their schools and curriculums with extraneous and unnecessary technology resources. Instead, I've tried to enact a minimalist approach ... I use as few pieces of hardware and software as possible to teach my students the skills and understanding that is necessary. This assignment reflects this philosophy by not only keeping the layout simple, but also emphasizing the fact that this particular application will never be used in its classroom because of its superfluous and unnecessary nature.