

TOC Plan for October 30, 2023

Block Order: ABCD

Room: 214(Upstairs Computer Lab)

General Notes:

- There is a Green/Red Clipboard on the back white board for Emergency Procedures. You will need this and the included class lists in case of an emergency.

Day Plan

A, B & C BLOCKS – All three of the these blocks are a Computers 8 class who are doing roughly the same thing. The exception is the B Block class meets daily, where the A & C Block meet on a day 1/day 2 schedule. This means the B Block class has had much more time with me and are a little further along in what they are working on.

All three of these Blocks have a peer tutor who should be able to help you or students where needed. Cole is in with B Block, Hayden is in with A Block and Nicholas(Nick) is in with C Block.

A & C BLOCKS

Students can start with about half an hour of typing. They are free to choose any TYPING activity they would like, but whatever they choose should challenge them. I have suggested typing.com(lessons and games), typelit.io(type a novel) or zty.pe(a typing game).

After typing students are working on learning to build 3D Models in Blender(software installed on every computer in the lab). Students have 2 Blender Assignments to complete at this point, I'm not totally sure where they are at as I was out the last 2 days of last week. It seems like they were able to make some progress last week so if they are looking for something to do you can remind them I have a lot of outstanding assignments...(Copy and Paste Assignment, HTML Assignment are the main ones). If they are finding the second assignment too challenging I have added a video to the Google Classroom since last week that should guide them through it step by step. If they have completed the 2 assignments and have nothing else to complete, challenge them to combine objects to create a more complex scene or model. For example adding a plane, and then objects on top to create mountains, trees, rocks, animals etc...Or adding shapes to a sphere to create a face or character.

Students can have the last 10-15 minutes of class for free time if they work on task for the first part of the block.

B BLOCK

Students in this class can also begin with the typing routine, but when finished a number of them have completed Blender Assignment 1 and/or 2 and a couple of other exercises. I am pretty sure most of them started a donut project with the TOC last week that I posted on the Google Classroom. Ask them to try and continue with it as best they can and I will go over it with them when I return. You may have to remind them several times to refer to both the video and the PDF. The PDF is useful for numbers that are inputted or key combinations they may have missed. To view the videos, they will have to open them in an "Incognito Tab," the peer tutor should be able to show you if you aren't sure how.

D BLOCK

Students in this class cover a large range in both age range and skill level and are working on several different tasks. The main ones are a couple of HTML Projects or a web request project, and a few of them are working on some self-directed learning. Students building webpages have 2 pages to build, one a recipe and the second a portfolio. Instructions for them are on the Google Classroom. You can let them know I have posted a sample of a page Styled with CSS and requirements for their CSS Styling. Students have the block to work on what they need to complete.

OTHER NOTES

Grade 8 students seem to find it particularly funny to unplug classmates, keyboards, mice, monitors etc. which is unfortunately starting to cause some damage, please try to be on the look out for it and address it when it happens. Currently 3 computers in the lab are out of order, and unfortunately are not labeled, but most classes are aware. There is a no food/drink policy around the computers, students may have a snack or drink water off to the side, but not at the computers. The last block of the day will need to stack chairs along either side of the class.

Thank you so much for covering my classes for me today, if you have any questions or require further explanation, feel free to get in touch with me @ 604-354-4825. Please let me know if there are any issues throughout the day and I will address them when I return.

David Baugh