



**FOREST LAKE AREA SCHOOLS
FOREST LAKE, MN 55025**

February 3, 2011

AGENDA ITEM: 9.10

TOPIC: SECOND READING OF NEW COURSE "FLASH ANIMATION"

BACKGROUND: With changes in elective offerings at the jr. high level, and with increasing interest in business technology classes, the Business department has worked to expand their offerings at the high school level.

PROCESS: The Business department has owned the software required for Flash Animation for the past two years, but has not had the opportunity to utilize the specific FLASH program in courses currently offered. Students have been requesting experiences with more advanced computer programs and skills, and the department is now ready to provide a course that takes students to this next level. This course would allow students the opportunity to create characters, prepare them for animation, add motion, and create a full length sequence with a soundtrack.

The School Board had the first review of this new course proposal at the January 6, 2011, meeting.

RECOMMENDATION: Approval of a new grade 10-12 elective course offering, "Flash Animation", for the 2011-12 school year.



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Inspire the Learner, Ignite the Potential

Course Title: Flash Animation

Course Number:

Grade Level: 10-12

Credit Hours: .5

Course Description:

Use Adobe Flash to make interactive animations! This class will cover how to create characters, prepare them for animation, add motion, and create a full length sequence with a soundtrack. Launch into a n exciting career in animation today!

Prerequisite:

none

Articulated Agreements / College Credit(if applicable):

none

Alignment with Minnesota Academic Standards or national/state contest standards:

The following is taken from the Nation Business Education Standards:

I. Impact on Society

Achievement Standard: Assess the impact of information technology on society.

III. Operating Systems, Environments, and Utilities

Achievement Standard: Identify, evaluate, select, install, use, upgrade, customize, and diagnose and solve problems with various types of operating systems, environments, and utilities.

IV. Information Technology and Major Business Functions

Achievement Standard: Describe the information technology components of major business functions and explain their interrelationships.

VI. Input Technologies

Achievement Standard: Use input technologies appropriately to enter and manipulate text and data.

VII. Information Retrieval

Achievement Standard: Gather, evaluate, use, and cite information from information technology sources.

XII. Information Technology Planning and Acquisition

Achievement Standard: Plan the selection and acquisition of information technologies..

XVII. Information Technology Careers

Achievement Standard: Describe positions and career paths in information technology.