

I can't tell you how much I loved teaching at Morris Knolls High School. In all my years there, I never—not one day—woke up in the morning and said, **"Shit, I've got to go to work."** I loved going to school. I realize how fortunate I was to be able to say that about my career.

The courses I taught changed tremendously over the years, especially as technology began changing the world around us. Every few years, it seemed like I had to reeducate myself because something new had come along.

My career started with **College Accounting and COBOL Computer Programming**. Then came the **Apple IIe** and **BASIC programming**. From there, we moved on to the **Macintosh**, the **PC**, and eventually networked computer systems.

And then this little thing called **the Internet** came along!

Before I knew it, I was teaching **Web Page Design**. Along the way there was **Microsoft Office, Desktop Publishing, Multimedia**, and whatever new technology came through the door next. Looking back, it is amazing how much technology changed during my teaching career—and somehow I managed to change right along with it.

I also have to admit—I was spoiled. **Computer classrooms were air-conditioned!**

Most of the classes I taught were project-oriented. The students were constantly creating and working on something. I was there to teach, guide, troubleshoot,

answer questions, and help when they got stuck, but I didn't have to stand in front of the room and lecture every day.

I loved that kind of teaching. I could walk around the classroom, talk with my students, see what they were creating, and help them figure things out.

For me, that never really felt like going to work.

It was simply something I loved doing.