



**Summary Report from the
Young Scholars 2008 Programs
IA/IS and Digital Forensics**

**Applied Research Lab, Howard County, MD
June 30- July 18th**

**Kenmoor Middle School, Prince George's County, MD
July 14th through 25th**



ETPRO CyberWATCH Subcontract Deliverables by Year Update

YEAR 3

ETPRO delivered its *Young Scholars Program: IS/IA and Digital Forensics* at two locations in Maryland the summer of 2008. The Howard County Program took place at the Applied Research Lab, in Ellicott City, MD from June 30th through July 18th. The Prince George's County Program took place at Kenmoor Middle School from July 14th through 25th. A third program was scheduled to run at Joppatowne High School, in Harford County, however, due staff scheduling and last minute county professional development, the program was postponed. It was unfortunate as there were 14 signed up, however, as with all counties, requirements for staff support, nurse on call and other requirements made it impossible with the county's PD trumping. While we are planning ahead with Harford County, for the Summer 09 program, we are also exploring a winter short course to replace it. In addition, this year we piloted a similar program at the elementary school level, at Dayton Oaks Elementary School, in Howard County. The program ran from January 08 through May 08 on Mondays after school. The program was a great success and will continue in the Fall of 08.

The Howard and Prince George's programs focused on activities that highlighted topics in cybersecurity to illustrate the needs to operate in a secure manner and to emphasize the exciting opportunities in this field. Students engaged in hands-on computer activities and learned about digital literacy (technology fluency and applications, team building, collaboration tools, problem based critical thinking), defending against viruses, Trojan Horses, and worms; and applying basic security concepts through gaming, modeling and simulation development, while investigating exciting careers that interconnect the fields of science, math, technology, and computer security. Students also discussed and explored such topics as cryptography, system vulnerabilities, and careers in computer security and digital forensics. Tours of local labs, NSA and NIST were also conducted, and students had the opportunity to hear from a variety of speakers from state and federal agencies and local security companies.

The Cyberwatch Grant supported a total of 81 students. 18 students attended Program I at the Applied Research Lab, 40 attended Program II at Kenmoor Middle School, and 23 attended the Pilot elementary program.

Name	Grade	Gender	Ethnicity
William	11	M	African-American
George	10	M	Asian
Thomas (TJ)	11	M	White
Andre	11	M	White
Alex	11	M	White
Jordan	10	M	African-American
Ted	11	M	White
Daniel	10	M	Asian

Jon	10	M	Indian/Asian
Miles	11	M	African-American
Jerin	10	M	White
Srihari	9	M	Indian/Asian
Allan	10	M	White
Pratik	11	M	Indian/Asian
Dale	11	M	Asian
Jerusa	11	M	African-American
Jason	11	F	African-American
Jamea	12	F	African-American

Table 1: Participants at Applied Research Lab

Richard Marquart and Lee Summerville, STEM Program Co-Directors of Howard County Public Schools organized the recruitment of students and advertising through the local school system. Recruitment was done by posting summer program options on the county website <http://www.hcpss.org/> and internally through schools distributing to parents. The Flyer is listed in the Appendices.

Recruitment for Program II was done through Prince George's County Schools and The Patriots Technology Training Center (PTTC), a non-profit foundation committed to promoting technology-related careers.

STUDENT	Grade	Gender	Ethnicity
Desiree	10 th	F	African American
Aretha	10 th	F	African American
Dewan	9 th	M	African American
Jailah	10 th	F	African American
Brandon	11 th	M	African American
Tyronne	8 th	F	African American
Maurice	11 th	M	African American
Brianna	10 th	F	African American
Kwamie	10 th	M	African American
Marques	10 th	M	African American
Antonio	10 th	M	African American
Nakida	8 th	F	African American
Rhashan	9 th	M	African American
Marcus	11 th	M	African American
Raymone	10 th	M	African American
Diondre	8 th	M	African American
Sean J	10 th	M	African American
Miles	8 th	M	African American
Sean B	8 th	M	African American
Tiffany	9 th	M	African American

Tyree	8 th	M	African American
Latisha	10 th	F	African American
Kee	10 th	M	African American
Trenton	8 th	M	African American
Jordon	9 th	M	African American
Takeisha	10 th	F	African American
Roshaun	10 th	M	African American
Shaquille	8 th	M	African American
Corentine	11 th	F	African American
James B	9 th	M	African American
BeBe	9 th	M	African American
Daniel	10 th	M	African American
James W	9 th	M	African American
Lashanna	9 th	F	African American
Laticia	10 th	F	African American
Tavarius	9 th	M	African American
Jariah	9 th	F	African American
Dewayne	10 th	M	African American
Tamarr	9 th	M	African American
Nakeisha	10 th	F	African American

Table 2: Participants at Kenmoor Middle School

STUDENT	Grade	Gender	Ethnicity
Patrick	4	M	White
Travis	4	M	White
Tanzer	4	M	White
Jake	5	M	White
Brandon	5	M	Asian
Sammy	5	M	Asian
Aaron	5	M	White
Jessica	5	F	White
Brent	4	M	White
Jason	5	M	White
Cailean	5	M	White
James	5	M	Asian
Ryan	4	M	Asian
Brianna	5	F	White
Richard	4	M	White
Christine	5	F	White
Chris	5	M	White
Jake	5	M	White
Silas	5	M	Indian/Asian
Allison	4	F	White
Brittany	4	F	African American

Emily	4	F	White
Kassie	5	F	African American
Zoe	5	F	African American

Table 3: Participants at Pilot Elementary Program at Dayton Oaks Elementary in Howard County

Overview

The purpose of SLT is to foster excellence in 21st century skills which will help students succeed in college/careers, and prepare themselves with the skills necessary to meet the shifting and constantly changing demands of the future workplace. The program provides a means to explore technology applications essential to college success while also focusing on career possibilities that connect engineering, science, math and technology. Critical need areas are emphasized such as IT/IA and cybersecurity/computer forensics with a special focus on exposing students to the plethora of career opportunities in cybersecurity and information assurance—a critical need area for this region.

Students participate in cutting-edge technology projects, robotic activities, and Logo-based computer learning environments in a hands-on setting, offering new technology skills, problem solving design challenges and field trips.

A number of mini-assignments and projects focused around cybersecurity issues. These included:

- Using Microworlds (a Logo based software package) to build an interactive and/or multi-media story that discusses different facets of cyberethics or cybersecurity. The final project should be “kid friendly” and interesting—while still getting “a message across”.
- StarLogo — create a simulation illustrating the dangers of computer viruses on the Internet. Simulate computers with and without virus protection, and include variables such as aging of the virus protection, new viruses, and exponential growth of the viruses as they spread across the network.
- Cybersecurity “game” built in Excel
- Cryptography exercises

HOWARD PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Embedded within the three week content session were three field trips and several speaker sessions. The first field trip included a tour of the National Institute of Science and Technology (NIST), in Gaithersburg where students were first briefed by Dr. *Chris Johnson* from the *Computer Security Division* in the *Information Technology Laboratory* on Vulnerabilities and Threats and his journey in the field of Cybersecurity. Students then were split into two groups and rotated through several research labs. Dr. *Cindi Dennis*, from the *Metallurgy Division, Materials Science and Engineering Laboratory*, discussed Magnetism, and how it plays out with digital forensics and cybersecurity. Students then visited beams from the NY Twin Towers. Dr. *Sammy Ho*, from the *Manufacturing Metrology Division of the Manufacturing Engineering Laboratory* shared the

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Young Scholars Summer Program

National Institute of Standards and Technology
July 8, 2008

10:00 a.m. Meet in the Administration Building (101) lobby
Greetings by Barbara Cuddington and Sharon Seide, Public and Business Affairs

Walk to Lecture Room B

10:05 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. - **Vulnerabilities and Threats**, *Chris Johnson, Computer Security Division, Information Technology Laboratory*

The students will be split into two groups. Each group will see the same labs but in a rotating order.

Magnetism, *Cindi Dennis, Metallurgy Division, Materials Science and Engineering Laboratory*

World Class Calibration, *Sammy Ho, Manufacturing Metrology Division, Manufacturing Engineering Laboratory*

Group 1

10:30 a.m. Walk to the Materials Building (223), Room B143

10:40 a.m. **Magnetism**, *Cindi Dennis, Metallurgy Division, Materials Science and Engineering Laboratory*

11:05 a.m. Travel by bus to the Engineering Mechanics Building (202), Room 227

11:15 a.m. **World Class Calibration**, *Sammy Ho, Manufacturing Metrology Division, Manufacturing Engineering Laboratory*

11:40 a.m. Travel by bus to the Administration Building (101), Lecture Room A

11:50 a.m. **SURFing at NIST**, *Lisa Fronczek, Manufacturing Engineering Laboratory Office*

12:00 noon Depart NIST

Group 2

10:30 a.m. Travel by bus to the Engineering Mechanics Building (202), Room 227

10:40 a.m. **World Class Calibration**, *Sammy Ho, Manufacturing Metrology Division, Manufacturing Engineering Laboratory*

11:05 a.m. Travel by bus to the Materials Building (223), Room B143

11:15 a.m. **Magnetism**, *Cindi Dennis, Metallurgy Division, Materials Science and Engineering Laboratory*

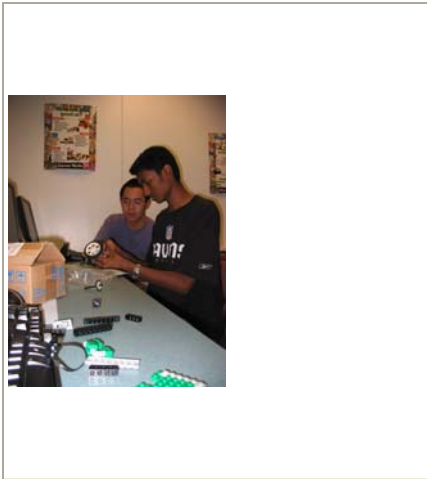
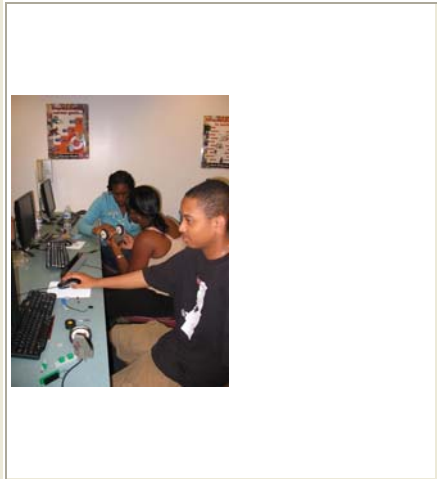
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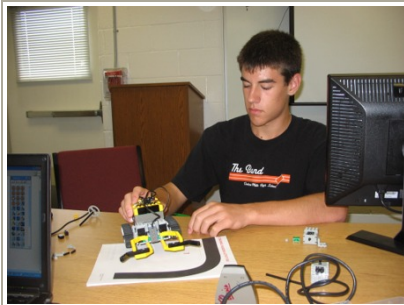
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Field Trips

Can Do Challenge





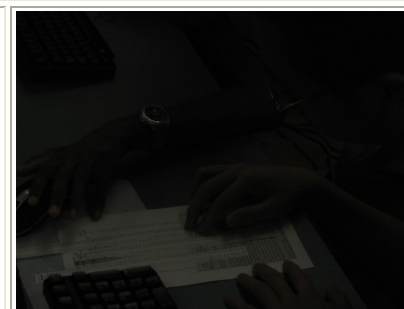
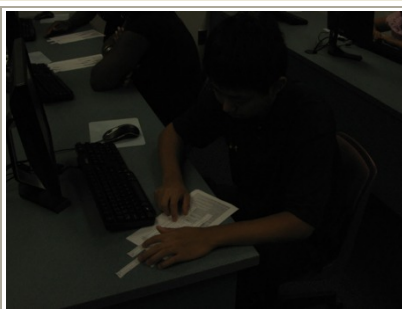


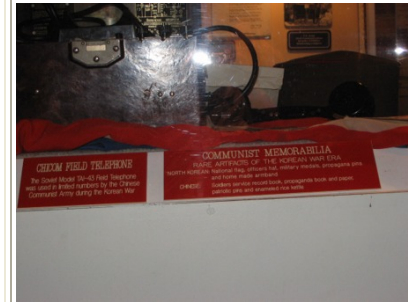
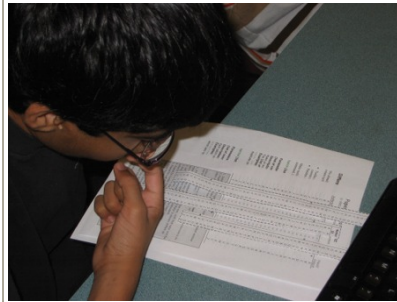


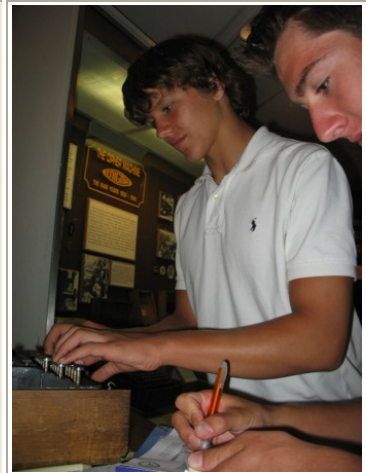


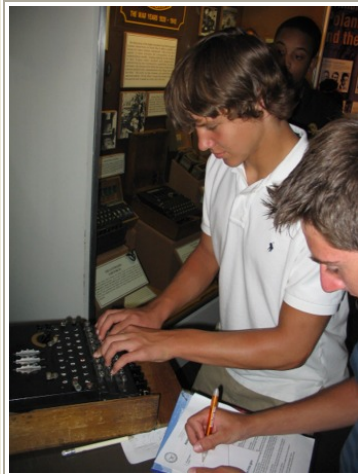


National Cryptologic Museum & Enigma Machine

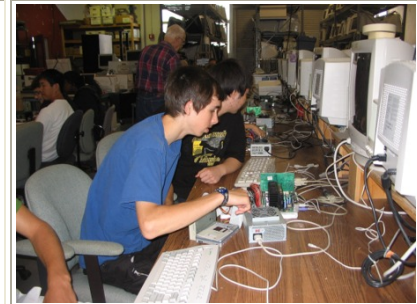


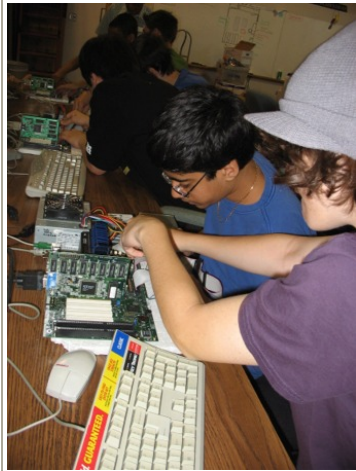


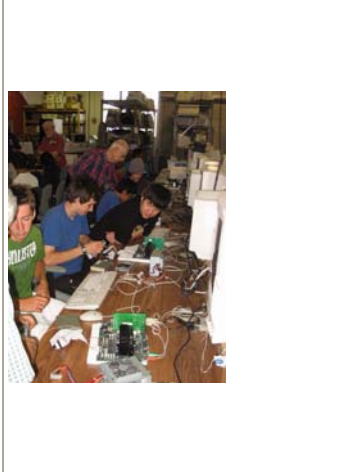
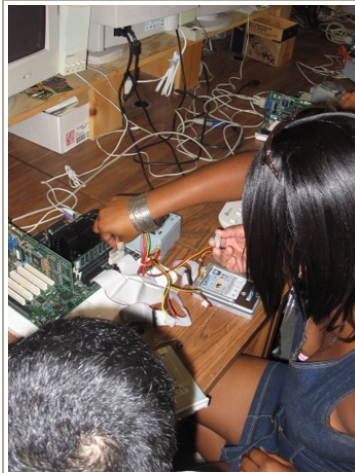


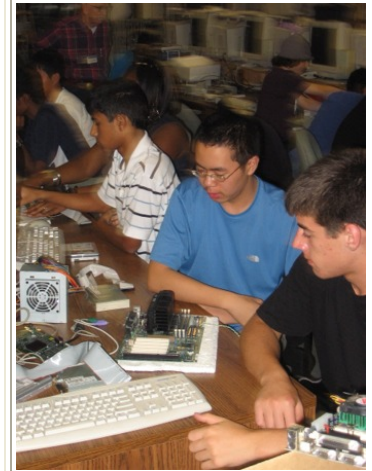
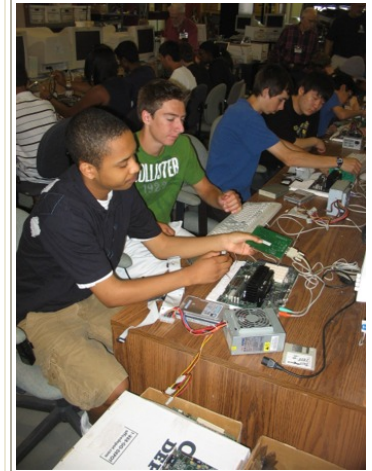


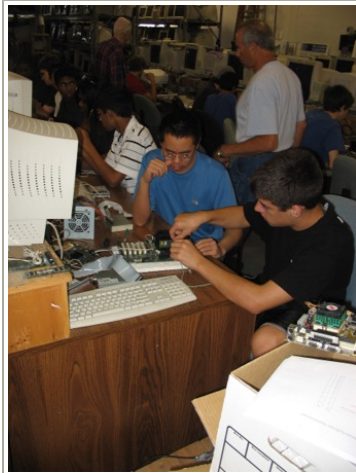
Lazarus Foundation





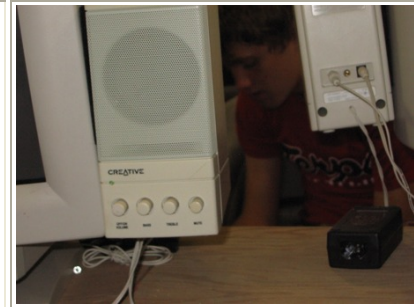


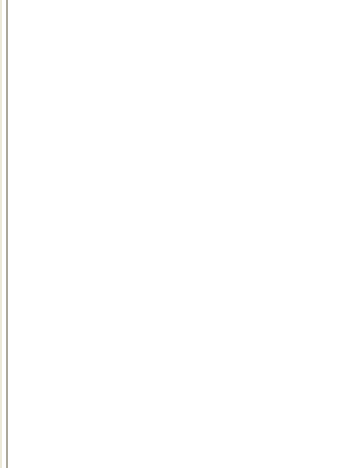




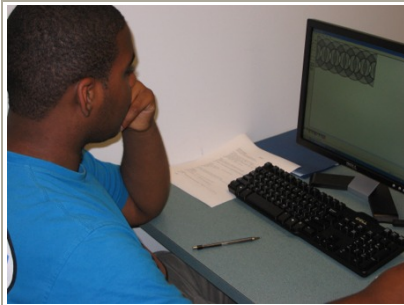


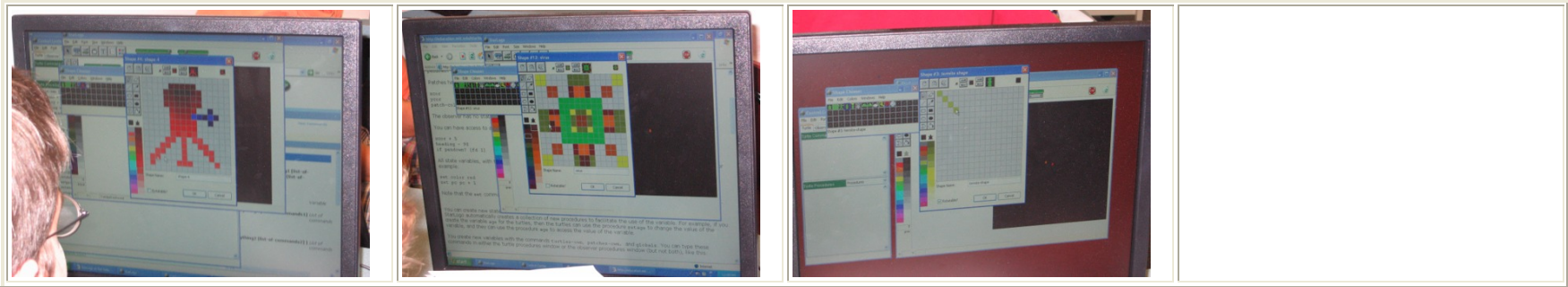






Microworlds



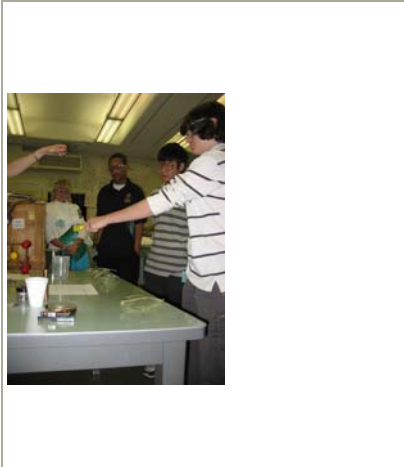


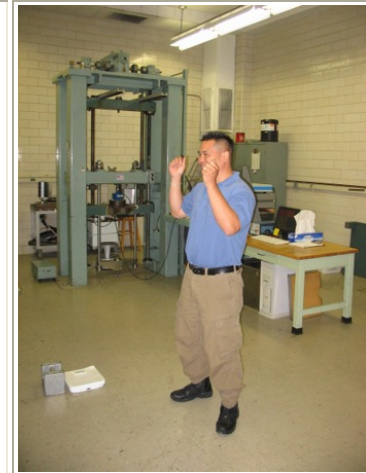
Lego Robots

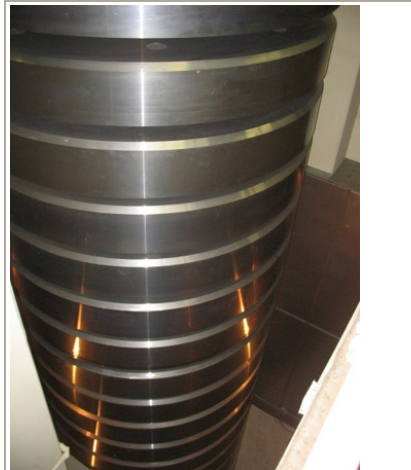


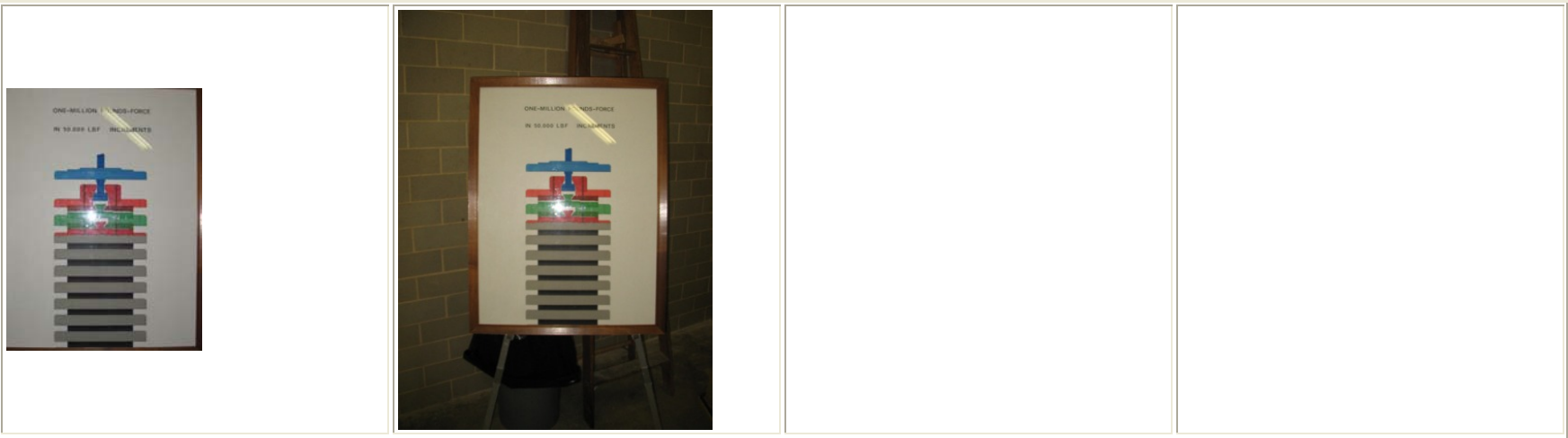
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2008 Course Outline/Schedule

	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3
Monday 6/30 7/7 7/14	Session 1: AM <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Welcome & Logistics ▪ Overview ▪ Introduction to MicroWorlds™ for multimedia creation ▪ LOGO language: Differences between functional & imperative programming languages ▪ Lisp dialect PM <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Skill Development with MicroWorlds™ 	Session 6: AM <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Show and share MicroWorlds Products ▪ Simulations/Gaming in Excel & PPT ▪ Project Development PM <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Project Development ▪ StarLOGO Challenges 	Session 11: AM <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Cryptography activities PM <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ LEGO® Robotics challenge 1
Tuesday 7/1 7/8 7/15	Session 2: AM <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Logo Skills Continued ▪ Indiv/Group Animated Story PM <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 2 Task Challenges 	Session 7: AM PM <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ NIST Field Trip Box lunches will be provided	Session 12: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Project development ▪ National Cryptologic Museum Field Trip 10—12:15 Box lunches will be provided
Wednesday 7/2 7/9 7/16	Session 3: AM <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ MW Task Challenges PM <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Simulation/Game Development in MicroWorld 	Session 8: AM <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Simulations/Gaming in Excel and PPT PM <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Introduction to Cryptography 	Session 13: AM <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Robo Challenge1 & 2 ▪ <i>Computer 101</i> site visit Lazarus Foundation PM <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Team Project Trial Presentations
Thursday 7/3 7/10 7/17	Session 4: AM <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Logo Skills Continued PM <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Introduction StarLOGO ▪ StarLOGO Challenges 	Session 9: AM <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Cryptography Challenges PM <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <i>Guest Speaker Vonda Williams Woods Consulting</i> 	Session 14: AM <i>Guest Speaker- Sgt. J. Casey, Maryland State Police Computer Crimes Section/Computer Forensics Lab</i> PM Open source software Robo Challenge 3 trials
Friday 7/4 7/11 7/18	Session 5: HOLIDAY NO CLASS	Session 10: AM <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Introduction to LEGO® Robotics PM <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Project Development 	Session 15: AM Robo Challenge Lunch for participants & guests PM <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Closing Activities

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KENMOOR MIDDLE SCHOOL PROGRAM

WEEK 1

July 14th through 25th

Monday, July 14, 2008

- Welcome & Logistics
- Overview
- Introduction to [MicroWorlds™](#) for multimedia creation
- LOGO language: Differences between functional & imperative programming languages
- Lisp dialect
- Skill Development with MicroWorlds™

Tuesday, July 15, 2008

AM

- Logo Skills Continued
- Indiv/Group Animated Story

PM

2 Task Challenges

Wednesday, July 16-Thursday 17, 2008

Naval Research Warfare Center (NAVSEA) personnel worked with students to build and program rockets and robotics and develop a scientific "egg drop" experiment. Each student received a Workbook that contained a schedule and details of the daily training sessions.

The overall objective entailed a robotic challenge, rocket launch and the egg drop contest. The students were divided into teams consisting of 5-6 members that competed in these challenges.

Robotic Challenge – Students were exposed to 8 robotic challenges. The challenges occurred within an 8ft x 8ft challenge board. Two robotics kits and two computers were given to each team to complete each task. Team members were either a programmer or a builder of the robotic which performed mission challenges. Upon meeting requirements, team were awarded a mission completion card which demonstrated their ability to successfully program the robotic.

Egg Drop Experiment – Each team of students worked with the construction of a protective device to prevent an egg from cracking when it was dropped at specified heights. The winning team(s) was given the egg flag to put on the challenge board.

Friday, July 18, 2008

Students participated in a training session on “How to Conduct Research Using the Internet”. Students were instructed on how to use search engines, narrowing a search using queries, how to cite information from the internet to avoid plagiarism and synthesizing information to compile a report.

Students were able to navigate the internet in order to retrieve specific information and filter essential information and develop language that indicates original thought in order to create a document that informs the target audiences. The topic was researching engineering and computer science programs. Question prompts included: what different type programs are there? what different degree programs and opportunities are there? how can a student prepare? what scholarships are available? Students also researched and explored the site locations where they would be visiting and job shadowing the following week.

WEEK 2

July 21- July 25th, 2008

During the second week of the YSP high school students experienced three days of job shadowing at various IT and security business locations. These included APPTIS, Convergence, INGENIUM Corporation, The National Academies, US Department of Transportation, BAE Systems, US Department of Energy, and Solvern Innovations. Middle school students worked on specific Digital Fluency activities including working with animations, sounds and video in PPT, Excel spreadsheet, gaming with Excel and utilizing open source software NetLogo and StarLogo.

The last two days of week two all students participated in cryptography exercises. Students used both a cipher wheel and an “paper” enigma to both encode and decode a variety of exercises. Students were introduced to the field of “intelligence” and information insurance and the role of cryptography in IT.

Lessons Learned

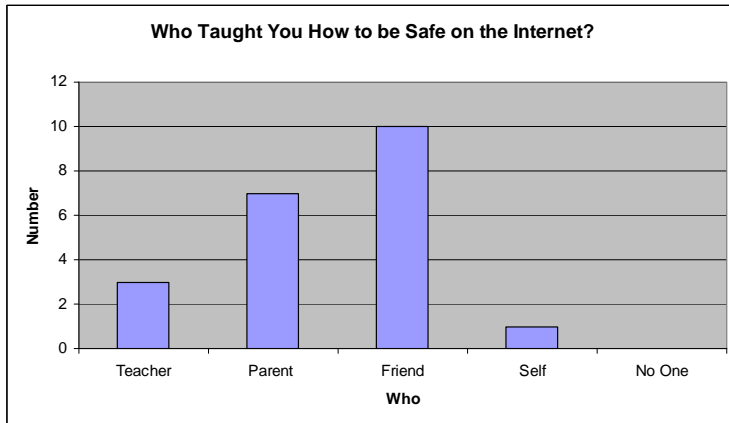
The program in Howard County was highly successful with support from both the school system (central office and the newly formed STEM office) and parental support. Efforts are underway to place a few up-coming seniors from the Howard program into internships for the 2009 summer.

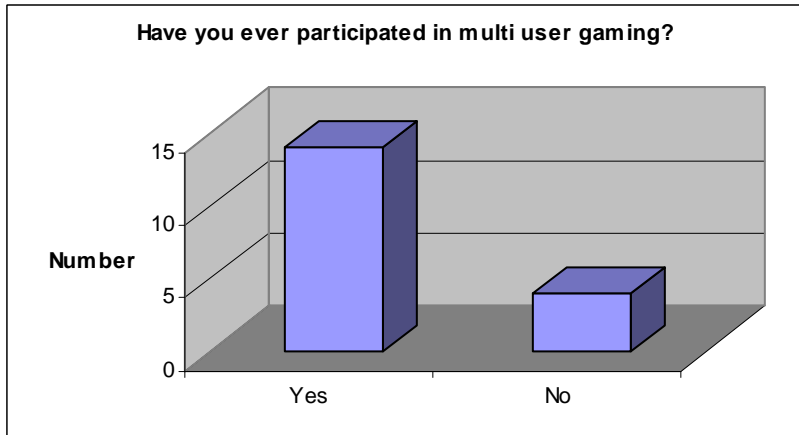
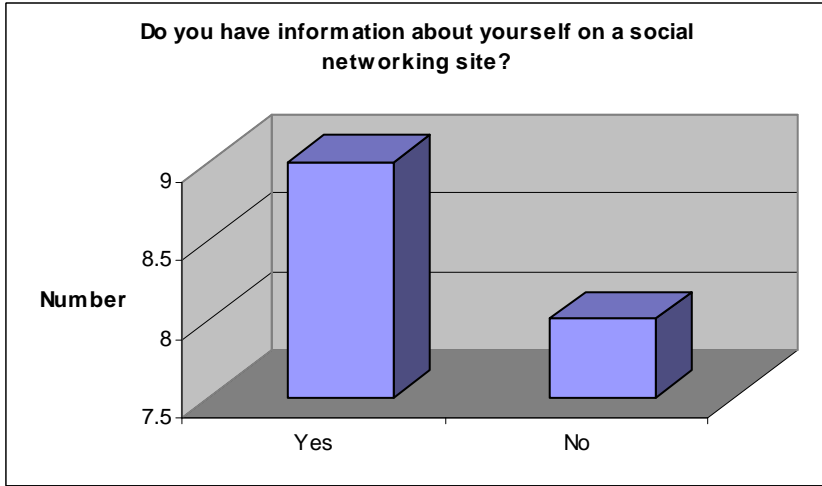
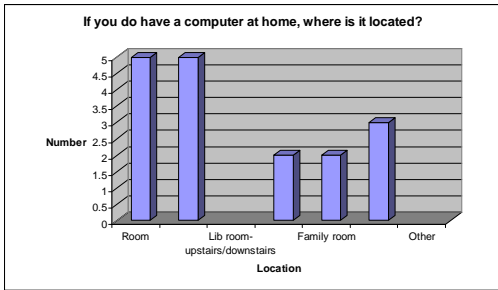
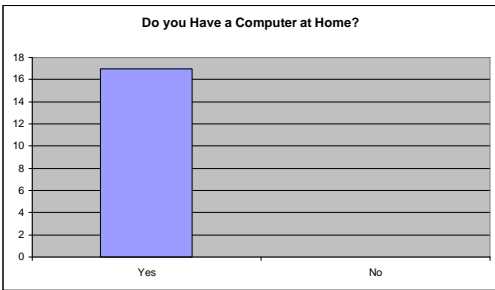
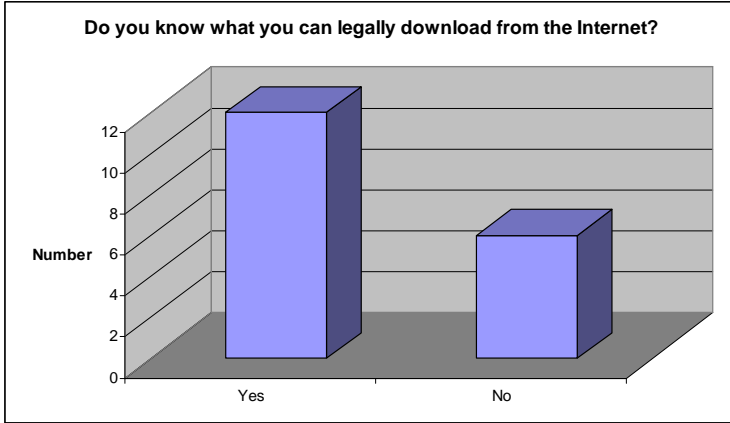
While in-roads were made with Harford county regarding the awareness and understanding about “what” IA/IS and Digital Forensics includes, Harford has only one point person to handle STEM activities and programs. Additional efforts and help regarding recruitment and logistics in terms of open calendar dates will be needed from our group in order to move the program forward in the future.

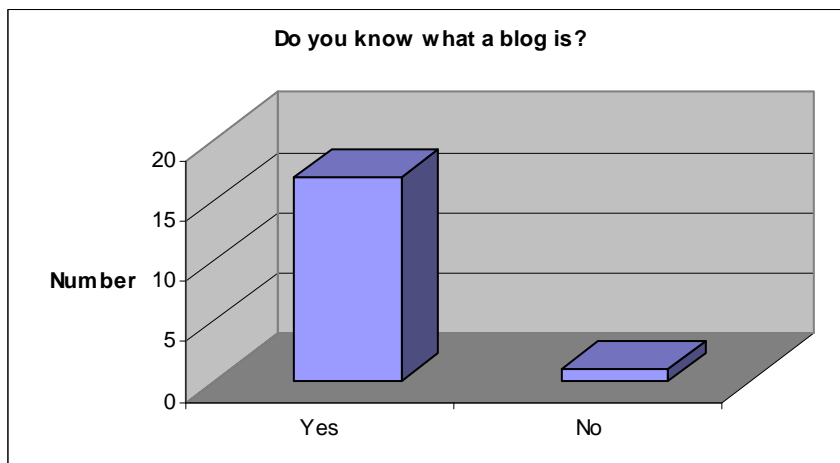
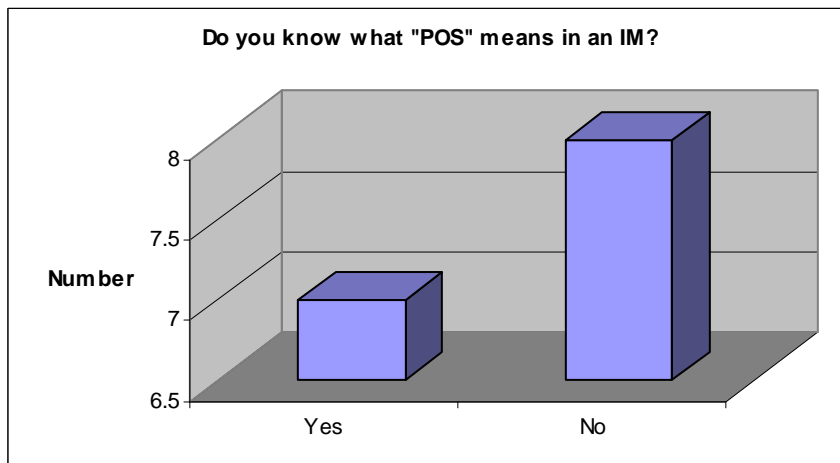
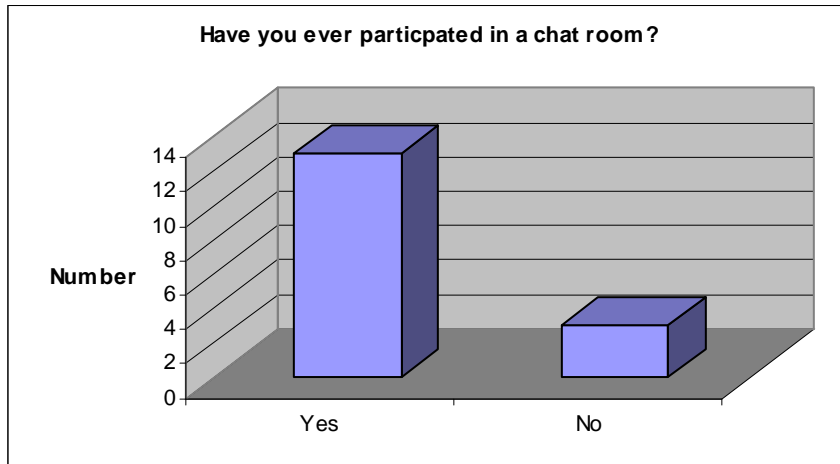
Several lessons learned from 2007 were applied to the 2008 Prince George’s program. The program again proved to be invaluable in reaching a larger number of minority students. At the same time, a continued concern surfaces regarding the large number of students at one time and the wide age groups. Arrangements were to be put into place with the partnering group, to hire additionally staff to help monitor the students. Staff were to be briefed beforehand regarding the CW content. The idea was to break the larger groups into small sub-groups, by ages, and rotate through a variety of activities. We were surprised to find out a week prior to the program - only 1 staff member had been hired to monitor the 40 students. ETPRO therefore, had to quickly hire additional GA’s to deliver the program content.

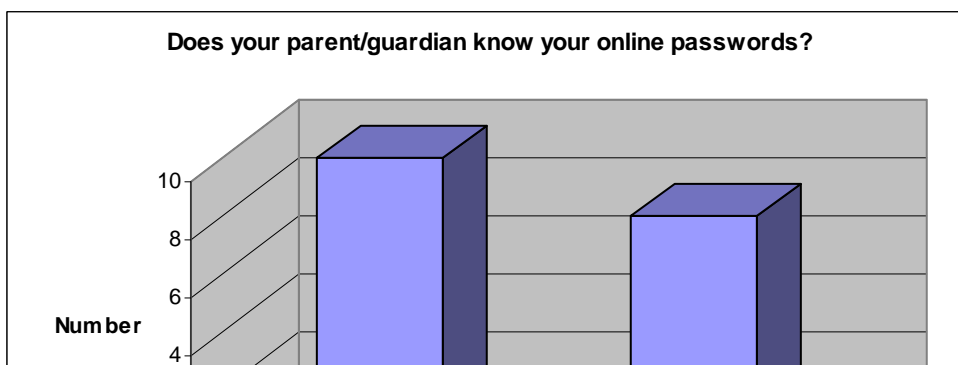
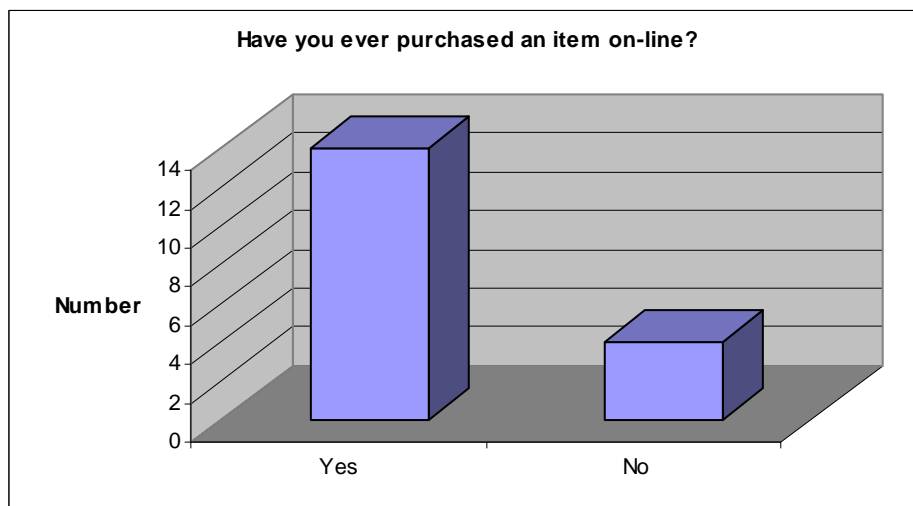
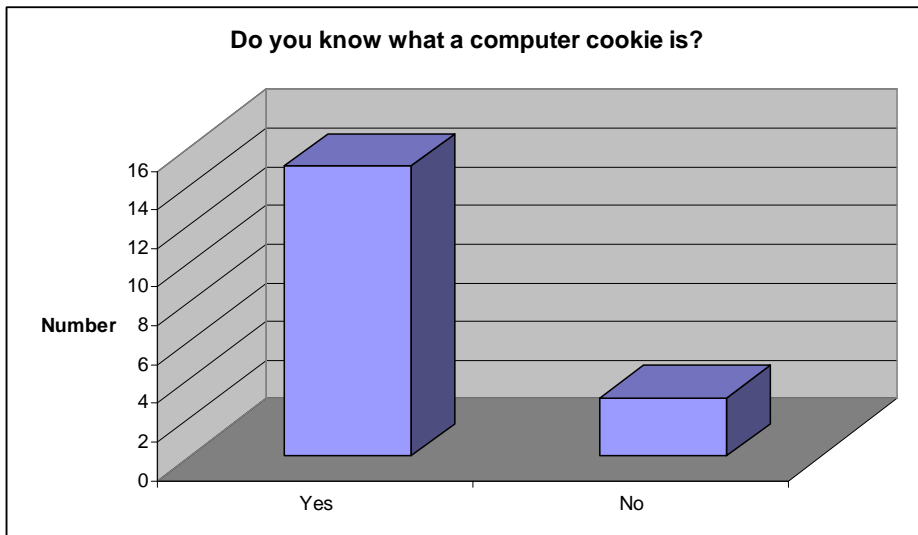
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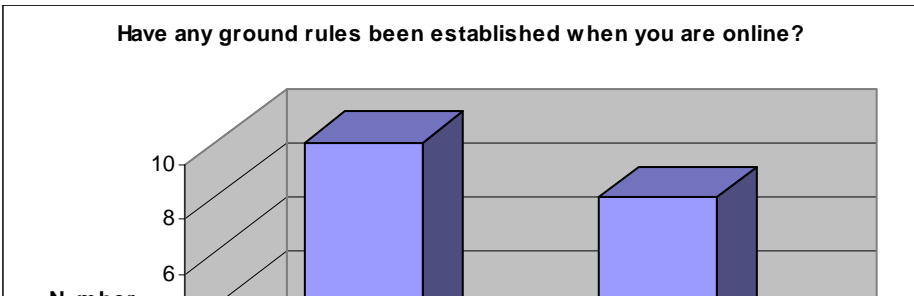
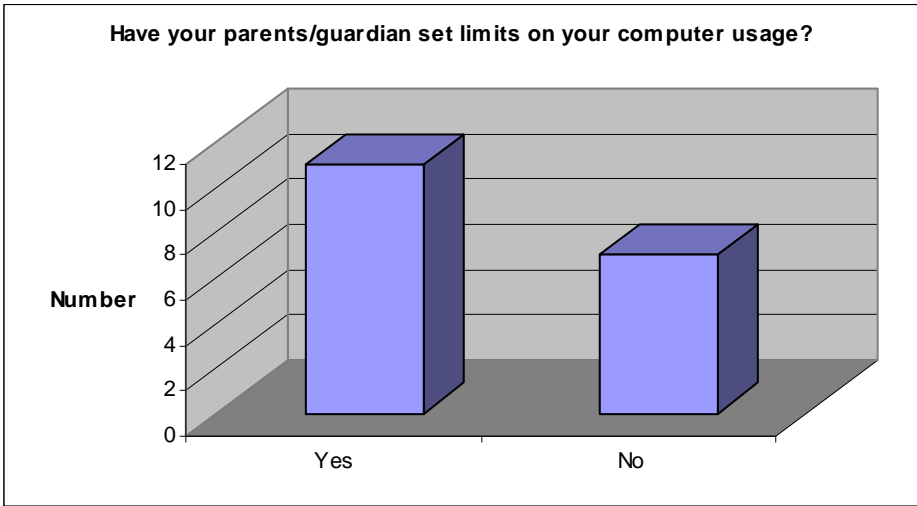
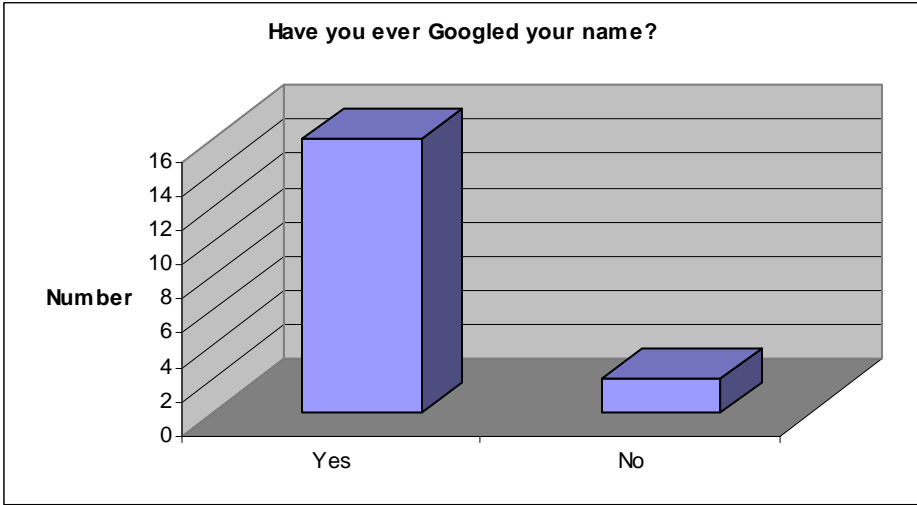
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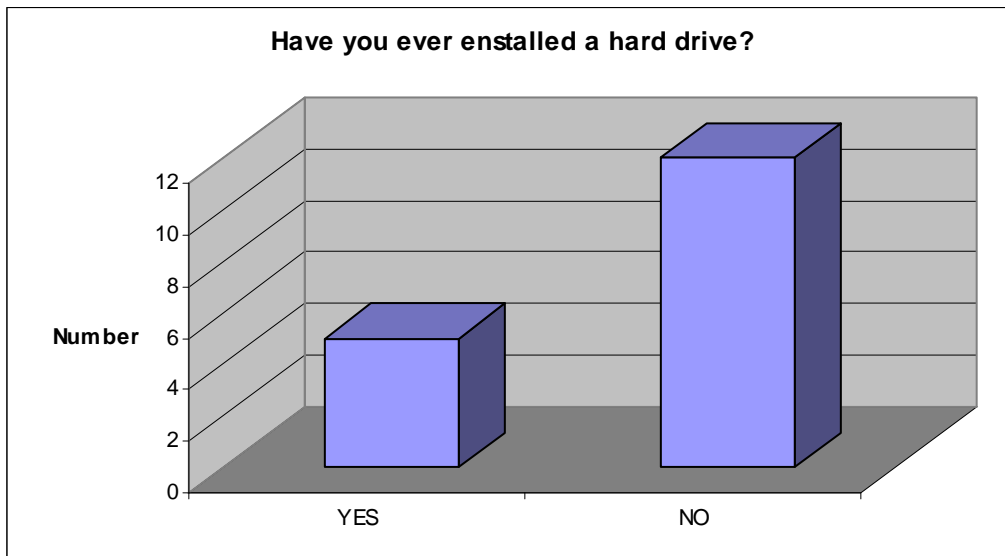
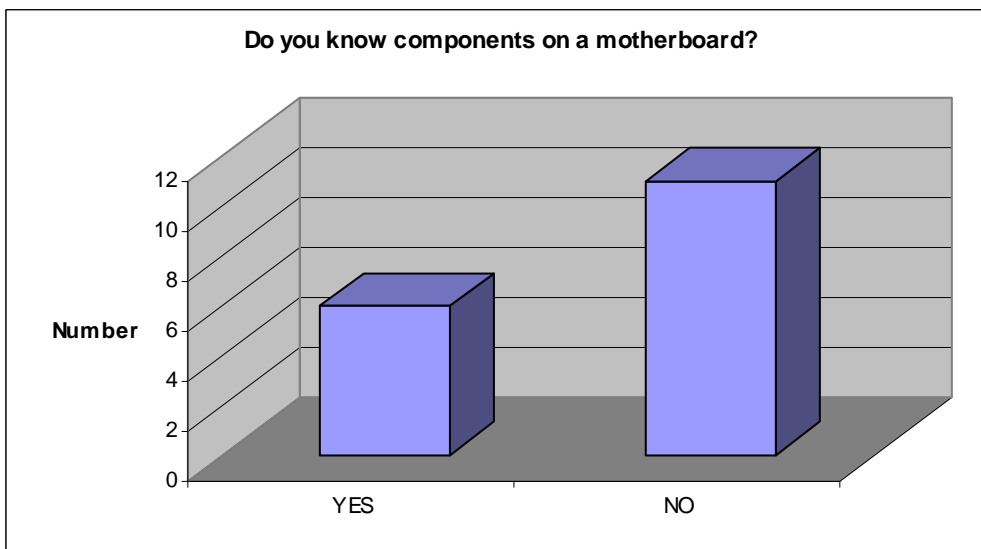


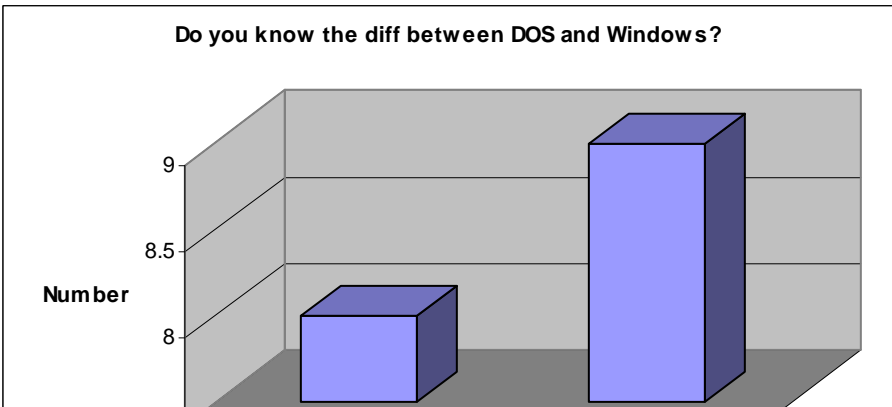
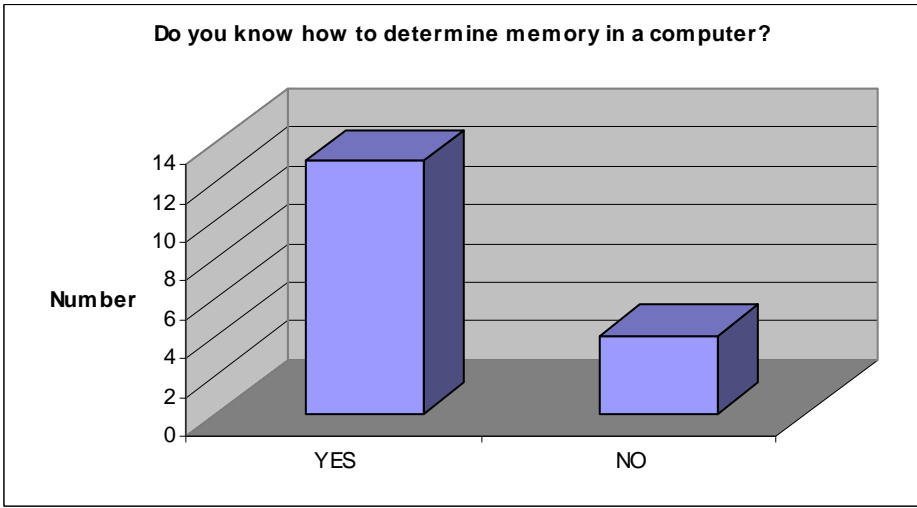
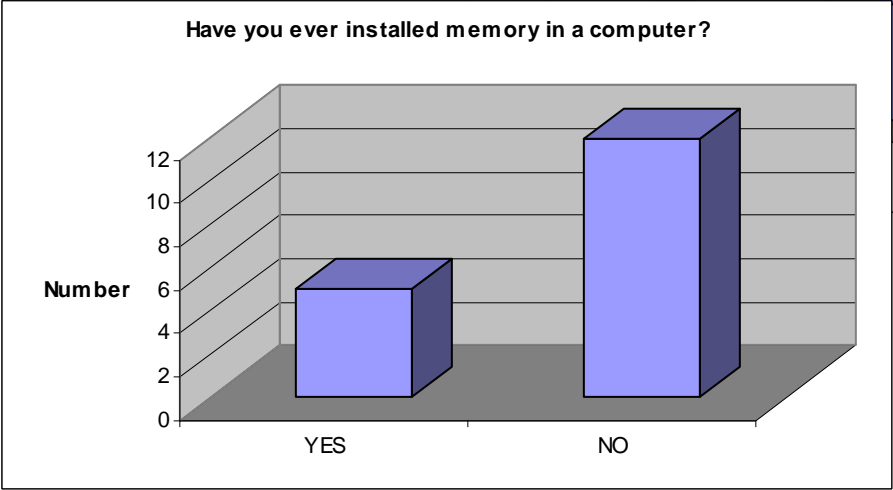
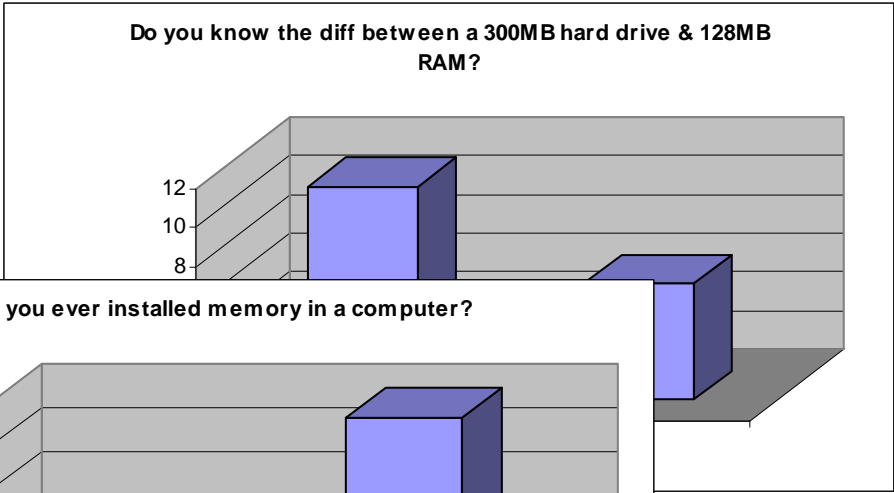


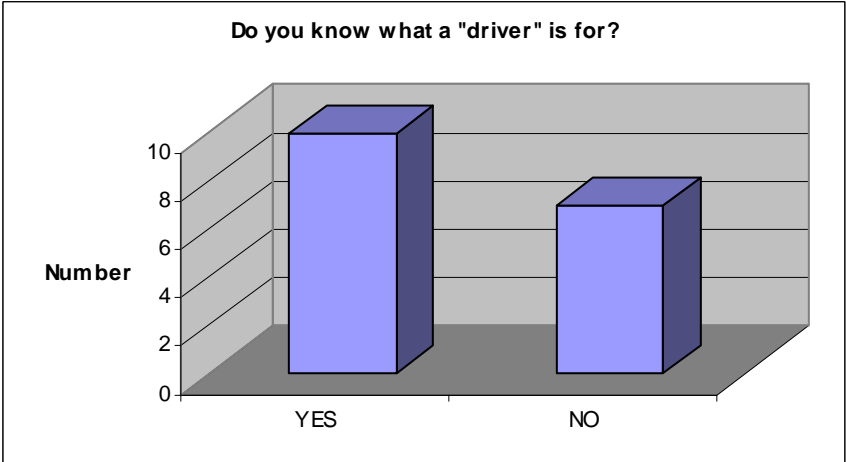
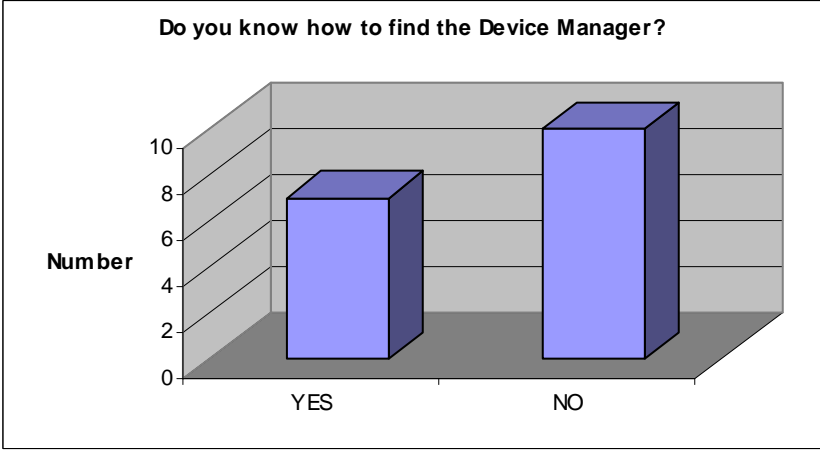
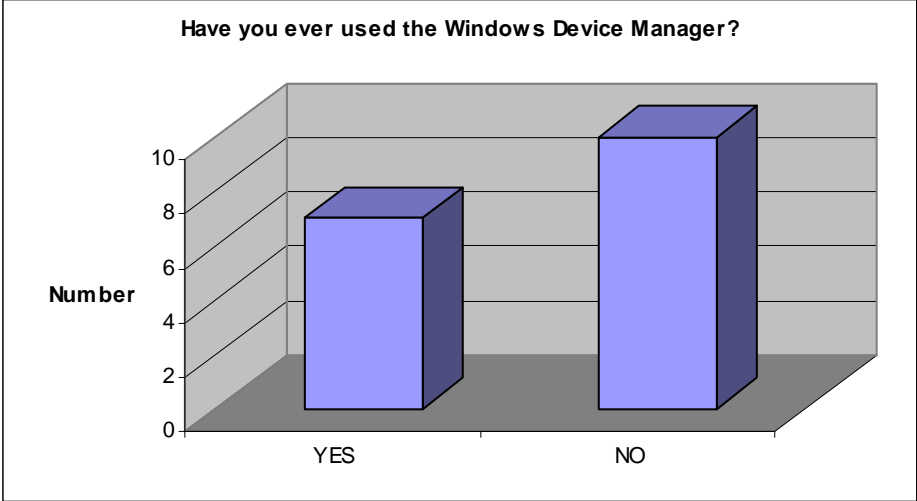


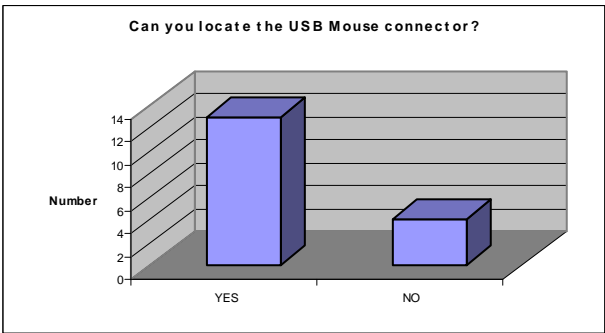
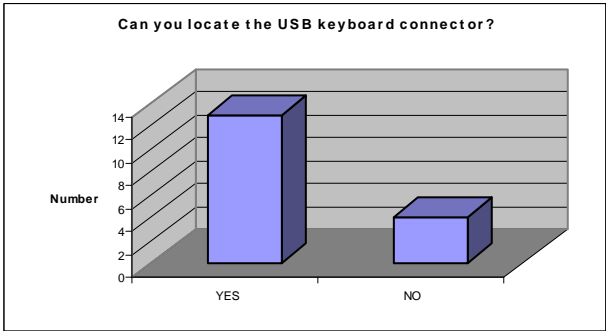
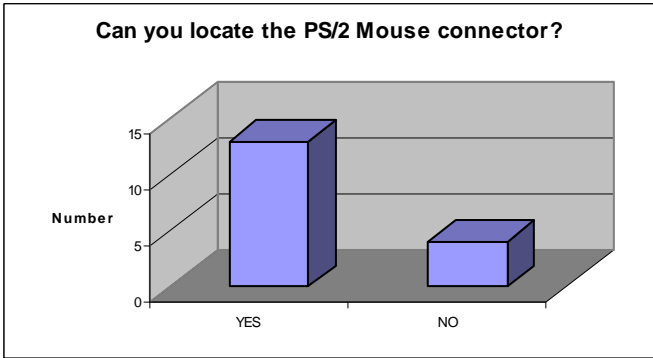
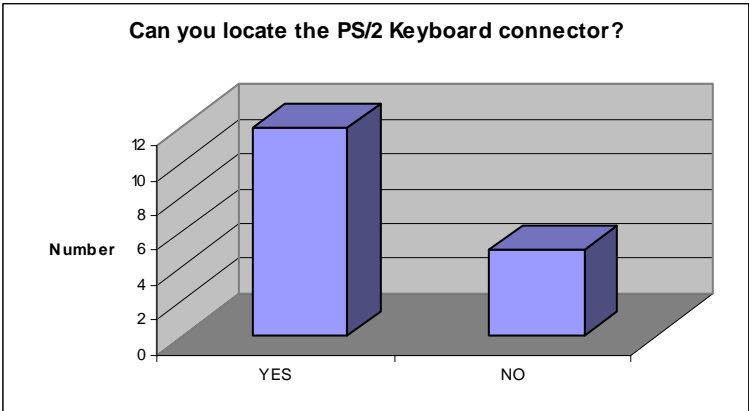


Hardware/ Software Knowledge profile









Evaluation and Feedback (0-4) 4 being the highest	
General Questions	Average
The course objectives were clear.	3.8
The length of the course was sufficient to cover the subject matter	2.5
Overall, the course instructors and speakers were effective.	3.8
I learned new information in this course.	4.0
I'd like to learn more about IT/IA and Cybersecurity	3.2
I may consider Cybersecurity as a career choice	3.5
Speaker's Presentations	
0 - 4 scale, with 4 being strongly agree	Average
Howard County Program	
Chris Johnson, Computer Security Division (NIST)	3.4
Cindi Dennis, Materials Science and Engineering Lab (NIST)	3.5
Sammy Ho, Manufacturing Metrology (NIST)	2.9
SURFing at NIST	3.2
Vonda Williams (Woods Consulting)	3.2
Jennifer Wilcox, NSA Cryptologic Museum briefing and internship/career opportunities	3.8
NSA Cryptologic Museum tour	3.9
Lazarus Foundation Tour	3.8
John Casey, Digital Crime and Digital Forensics	3.9

Howard County Program Speaker's Presentations Average	3.51
Kenmoor Middle School Program	
History of Medicine, National Institute of Health (NIH) CSI history	3.5
Katherine Powell, NIH, interactive forensics science	3.8
Navel Research Warfare Center (NAVSEA) activities	4.0
Ajay Gupta, Cyber Security Services and GSecurity, Inc.	3.0
Jennifer Wilcox, NSA Cryptologic Museum briefing and internship/career opportunities	2.9
NSA Cryptologic Museum tour	2.8
Walker Mill Program Speaker's Presentations Average	3.33
Both Program Presentations Average	3.42

