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NETS Standard 1. Facilitate and Inspire Student Learning and Creativity:

Teachers use their knowledge of subject matter, teaching and learning, and technology to facilitate experiences that advance student learning, creativity, and innovation in both face-to-face and virtual environments. Teachers: promote, support, and model creative and innovative thinking and inventiveness

NETS Standard 3. Model Digital-Age Work and Learning:

Teachers exhibit knowledge, skills, and work processes representative of an innovative professional in a global and digital society. Teachers: demonstrate fluency in technology systems and the transfer of current knowledge to new technologies and situations.

The SAMS Excel project was beneficial for me because I was able to master skills that I did not have the time for before. The exams covered Windows XP, Internet basics, Word, PowerPoint, Access and Excel. As a result I feel that I am better equipped to show my students how to use programs that they are not familiar with. The format of the testing allows you to test your prior knowledge. And if you were good then you may not have to take the test! If you had to take the tests, you received a tutorial on the concepts and then you retest again. All scores are reported to the instructor.

As a result of me becoming more familiar with these basic applications, I feel more at ease with my students when I have to show them how to prepare a document or create a PowerPoint. I also insist that my students become as familiar with technology as I am so that they will not be struggling like I was.