

**FUN, THOUGHTFUL  
TECHNOLOGY  
IN THE CLASSROOM**

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# CHAMPLAIN COLLEGE, BURLINGTON, VT



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**2000 on-campus students**

## **Professional Focus**

Multimedia Graphics

E-gaming

Digital Forensics

Business

## **New Interdisciplinary Core Curriculum**

Roll-out began Fall 2007

# THE “CORE” CURRICULUM

Sequential, linked, theme-based courses

Interdisciplinary

Inquiry-based

Common, master syllabi

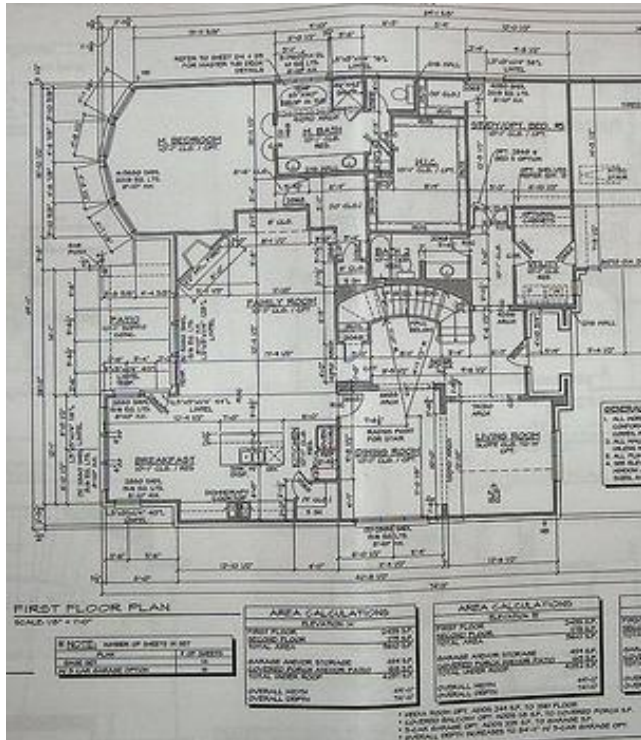
Common texts

Common, project-based, research assignments



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# CHAMPLAIN'S INFO LIT PROGRAM



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“All students, all four years”  
Incremental  
Embedded  
Inquiry Based  
Rubric-based assessments  
Common curriculum

# SESSION GOALS: THINGS WE TRY TO DO

Inquiry Based (required)

“All fun, all the time”

Breakdown barriers

Thoughtful integration of technology

Learn something about our students



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# YOUTUBE IN TEACHING

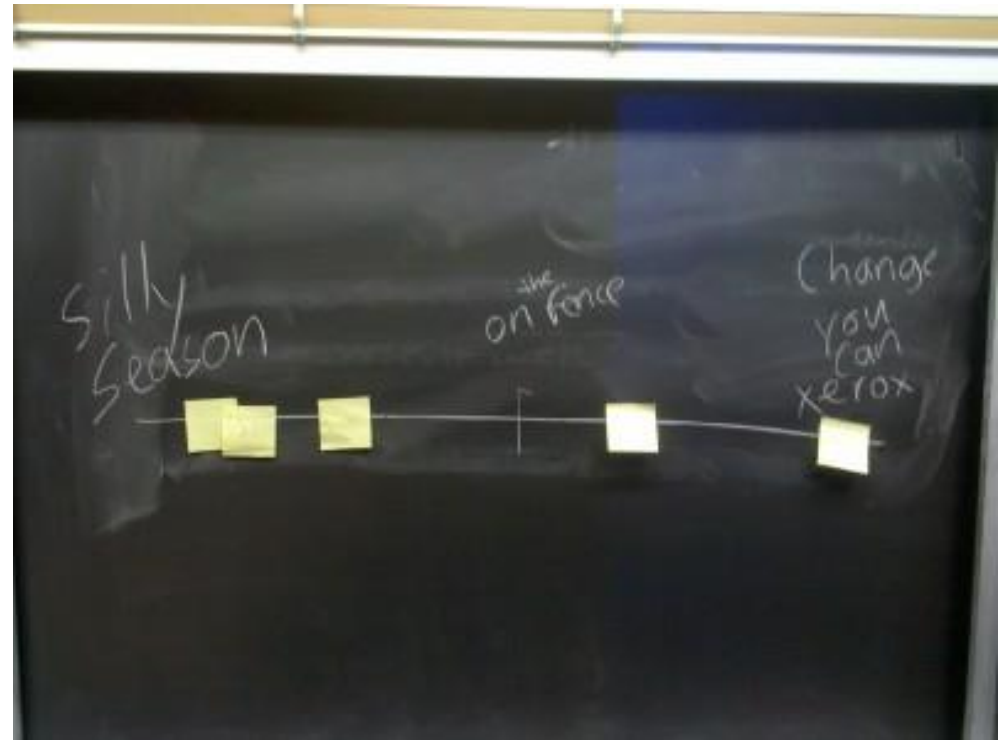
Fall semester,  
sophomores

Not your high school  
session on plagiarism

Ethical use of  
information

“Real world” examples

Murky/Grey



QUESTIONS ABOUT ETHICS &  
INFORMATION GO ALL THE  
WAY TO THE TOP!



# THE SESSION OUTCOME...

Strong student  
engagement

Visual & Kinesthetic

Hands on wrestling with  
ethics and uncertainty

Surprises students



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# CELL PHONES IN THE CLASSROOM



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Fall semester, first years

First interaction with librarians

Sexy use of ubiquitous technology

“New School” interactive

Enhanced classroom dynamic

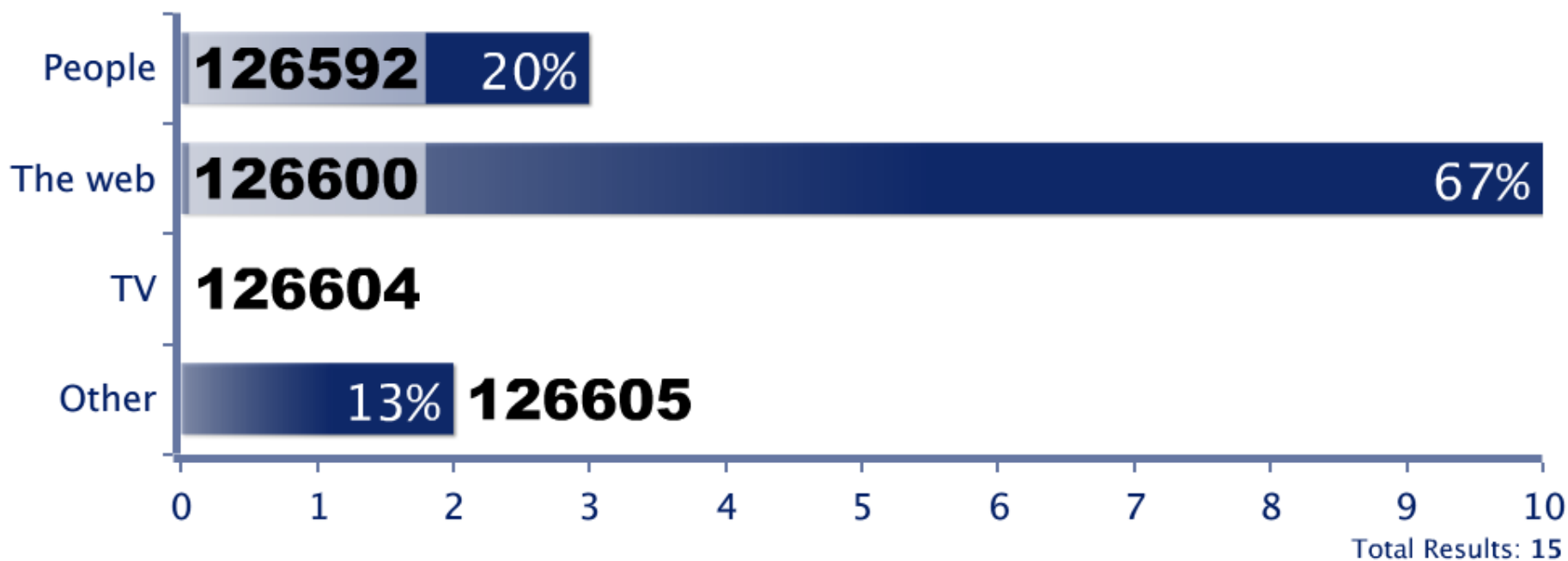
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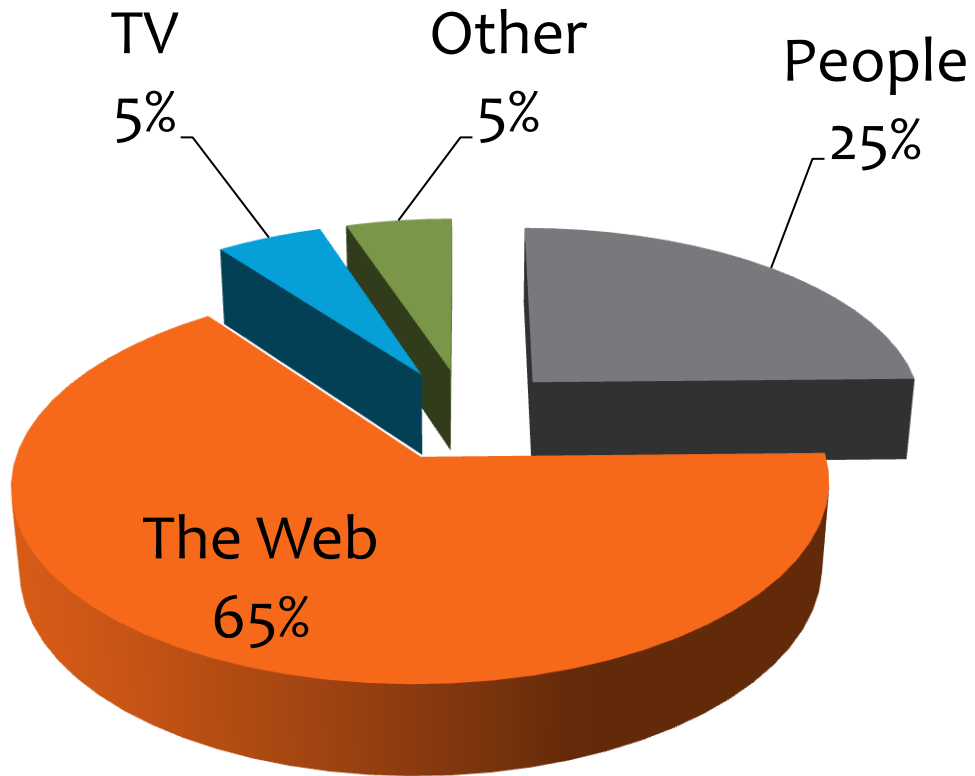
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Submit a **CODE** to **<http://poll4.com>**

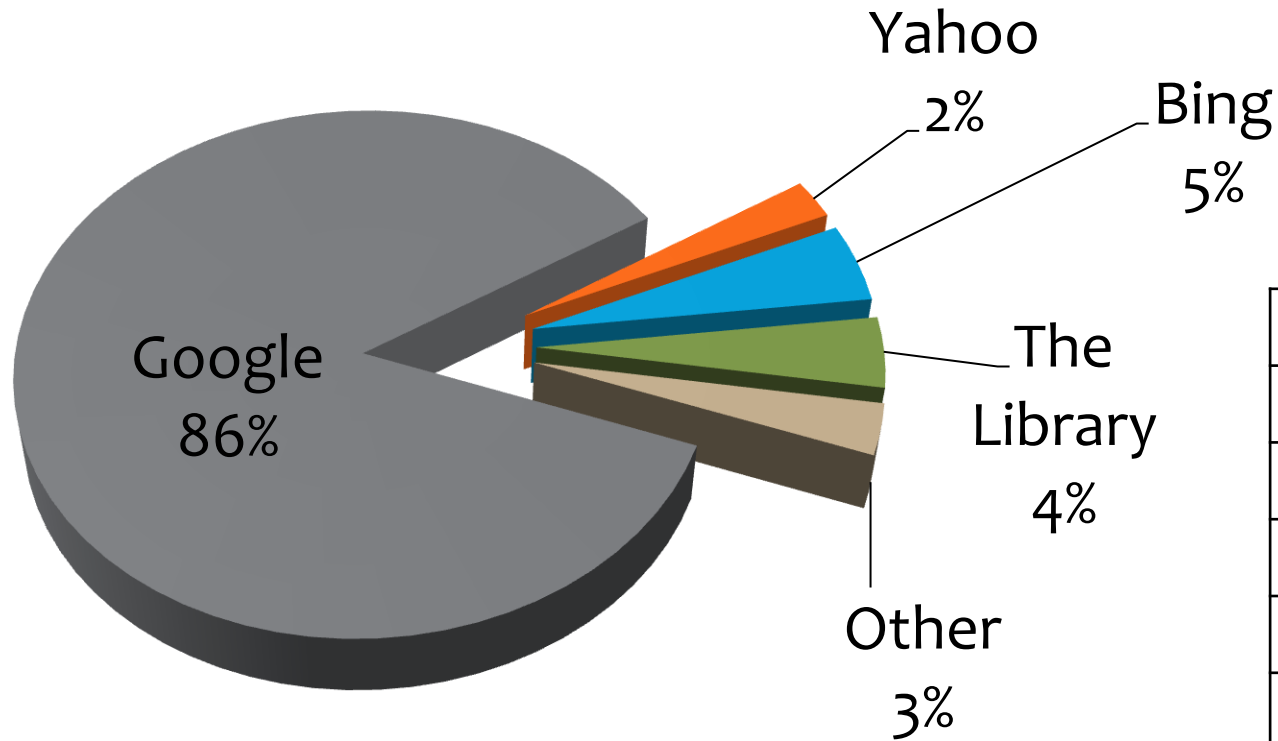


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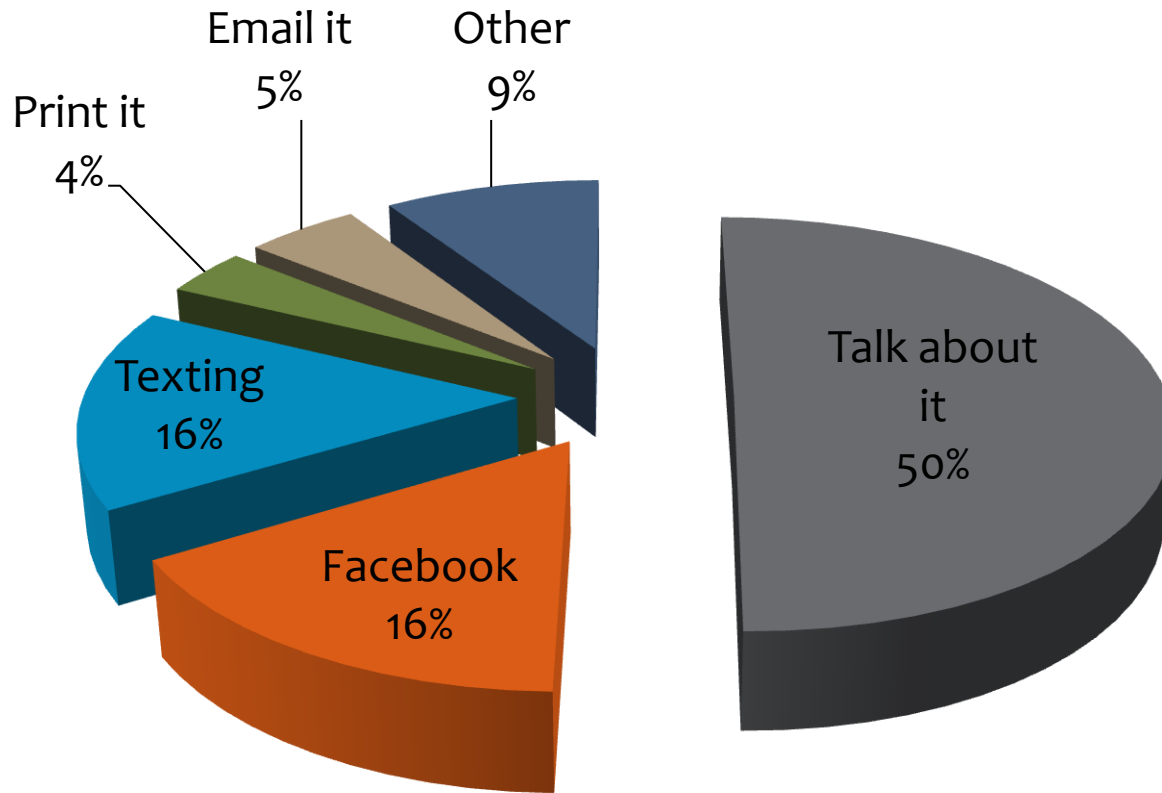
The Web	296
People	97
TV	20
Other	20
Total	393

# HOW DO YOU SEARCH?



Google	357
Yahoo	10
Bing	20
The Library	18
Other	13
Total	418

# HOW DO YOU SHARE INFORMATION?



Talk about it	205
Facebook	66
Texting	64
Print it	15
Email it	20
Other	38
Total	408

# WHAT'S NEXT?

## Polls in other classes

- Student directed learning
- Citation evaluation
- Website evaluation

Everything in moderation



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# CONCLUSION

Thoughtful technology in the classroom...

- Helps students jump into inquiry
- Sparks thinking
- Connects us with this generation of students
- Offers fun in the classroom for us



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QUESTIONS?

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