

## **Strategic Role in the Norfolk Public Schools as a certified teacher.**

In the early days of public school internet use, dial-up connectivity was the only commonly available option. When leased line/LAN connectivity became feasible I pushed for this to be deployed in my building, Norfolk Junior High School. Working with my building and district administrators, the Nebraska Department of Education, and U.S. West I coordinated the purchase and installation of the necessary equipment to provide high speed connectivity to my classroom and other locations in my school. Installation and management of our own dial-up access portal provided connectivity to other buildings in the district and to teachers at home. Along with another science teacher, I installed the local network devices, cabling, and terminations needed to provide these connections.

I worked with building and district administrators and teachers, helping them to see the potential for the use of the internet in the instructional process. Visits to homes to assist with home computer internet configurations were also commonplace.