

Web-based learning is “wave of the future” at Rochester school

ROCHESTER, Mich. – Bert Quinn thinks he oversees Rochester Community School District’s “best kept secret.”

As the adult education supervisor for the district, Quinn runs Rochester Adult Center for Education, commonly referred to as “RACE,” where high school and adult students are accelerating their academic progress using EdOptions™’ Web-based Stars Suite™ program.

“We’re providing options for students that don’t already exist,” Quinn said.

For more than ten years, hundreds of school systems nationwide have turned to EdOptions to provide high-quality Web-based educational products to promote their students’ success.

Stars Suite provides students with more class choices and flexibility while also encouraging and maintaining the student-teacher relationship.

Within a matter of months of implementing Stars Suite courses at RACE,

one student gained enough credits to graduate early.

“She was shocked,” Quinn said. “We had registered her for a fourth term,” but she completed her courses eight weeks early.

Quinn said the key to her success, as well as other students’ success, was giving her a flexibility that wasn’t available in the traditional classroom setting.

“Web-based learning opens up the opportunity for more classes and more choices.”

Students at RACE choose a unique schedule, spending “as little as two hours with us, up to ten to 12 hours a week,” he said.

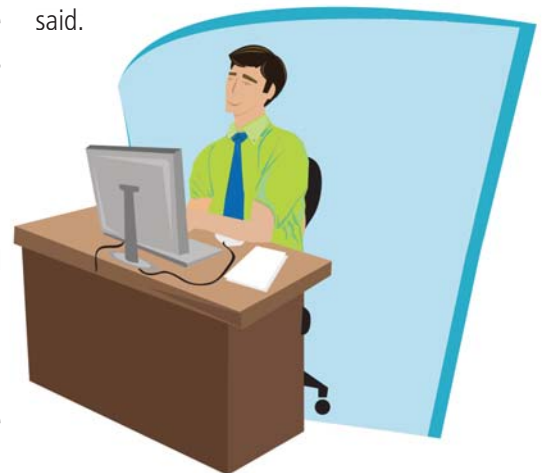
The rest of the time, high school and adult students work on their Web-based courses from home or another location with Internet access.

And word is getting out about the students’ success.

Students from the district’s traditional high schools have requested taking the Web-based courses. Though he’s not yet prepared to offer students outside of RACE access to the courses, he said enrollment in Stars Suite has grown substantially within only a few months.

Thanks to the results and increased flexibility it’s given his students, Quinn said he’s now a believer in Web-based learning.

“Web-based education features anytime, any place learning, which I think will be the new wave of the future in education,” he said.



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