



Dennis DeBroeck

# Walla Walla Public Schools Classroom Close-Up



TEACHER NAME: Dennis DeBroeck    SCHOOL: Walla Walla High School  
GRADE: High School    SUBJECT: Media and Animation

- Q. What subjects are your students studying this week?  
A. Animation techniques commonly found in gaming, movies and design.
- Q. What are some of the learning objectives for the week?  
A. LightWave software training (industry standard application) for animation production.
- Q. What are some of the strategies you use to enhance learning?  
A. I find ways to have the kids discover the answers rather than give them the answers. Students have the ability to solve the problem.
- Q. Why is it important to use technology to help students learn?  
A. Advanced technology will help us compete worldwide. It's critical to get students to a level to set the standards, rather than just do service jobs.
- Q. How do you develop positive, professional relationships with students?  
A. It's important to have the students trust what you say. Having them say this guy is believable is the most important thing you can do.
- Q. Why is it important for you to be a teacher?  
A. I've never done anything in my life as rewarding as teaching. Former students call me who have been out of class for 10 years. It's amazing to see kids attach themselves to you. It really adds value to this profession.

PRINCIPAL'S COMMENT: "Dennis makes real world technology real to our students. He gets them to understand how technology works in their lives. He is a kid magnet on our campus and doing a great job," **Darcy Weisner**, Principal.

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MOMENTS & MEMORIES FROM  
DENNIS DEBROECK'S CLASS:



Sophomore Jessica Wilson

Jessica learns how to operate a digital video camera.  
"Mr. DeBroeck allows you to use your imagination and  
learn about yourself and what you like to do. It's the  
best way to learn." **Jessica Wilson**



COMMENTS:  
Senior **Marcus Henderson** says he always  
wanted to learn how to be an animator and  
this class allows him to learn how. He says  
Mr. DeBroeck is a really good teacher and  
his class is fun.



COMMENTS:  
Sophomore **Samantha Herriot**  
says the class is a good  
experience and offers training  
that would cost a lot of money  
if she were taking it in college.  
She says she wants to learn as  
much about technology skills as  
possible and have fun.