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Teacher Solution Bundle: Description (10/96)

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TOPIC

This article contains a description of the Apple Education Series: Teacher Solution Bundle.

DISCUSSION -----

When schools put computers on their teachers' desktops, the teachers and students both benefit. Now Apple has made that easier to do.

With the Teacher Solution Bundle, teachers have access to a powerful Macintosh computer and the Teacher Solution Kit--some of the most useful software available, including a graphics and presentation package, a word processor, and a grading and attendance program.

Administrators in California's Corona-Norco Unified School District, not satisfied with anecdotal reports, conducted a nine-month research project to determine the impact of putting Macintosh computers on teachers' desktops. The result? They discovered that by adding technology, they dramatically increased the amount of time available for classroom instruction.

Focusing on tasks such as taking attendance, planning lessons, developing tests, and reporting grades, the researchers found that the 28 K-6 teachers in the study saved, on average, 36 minutes a day. According to Tom Wilson, the district's director of educational technology, "The research showed that an effective application of technological tools improves an educator's level of productivity, and consequently, increases his or her teaching time in class." Adds Wilson, "The kids are the ultimate beneficiaries."

More Choices, More Flexibility

Now, when you order a Macintosh computer with the Teacher Solution Kit, you may also order two other Apple Education Series kits.

It's as easy as 1-2-3.

1. Select a computer. Order the featured solution—which includes a Power Macintosh® 5260/120 and the kit—or choose one of the other computers listed below and order the computer and kit separately. Refer to the computer data

sheets for more details. Refer to the computer data sheets for more details.

- 2. Choose two other kits. If you wish to order additional Apple Education Series kits, you can find out what's available on the Education Price List and review the contents on their respective data sheets.
- 3. Purchase everything at once. The Macintosh computer and up to three kits must all appear on the same purchase order.

Computer Options

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Power Macintosh 5260/120 (featured computer)

Equipped with 16 MB of RAM, built-in 14-inch color display, 1.2 GB hard disk drive, 8x-speed CD-ROM drive, stereo speakers and microphone, AppleDesign Keyboard, and mouse.

Power Macintosh 5400/180

Equipped with 16 MB of RAM, built-in tilt-and-swivel 15-inch color multiple-scan display, 1.2 GB hard disk drive, 8x-speed CD-ROM drive, Ethernet networking, video-input/output, stereo speakers and microphone, AppleDesign Keyboard, and mouse; includes a PCI expansion slot.

Power Macintosh 6400/200

Equipped with 16 MB of RAM, 256K level 2 cache, 2.4 GB hard disk drive, 8x-speed CD-ROM drive, Ethernet networking, microphone, AppleDesign Keyboard, and mouse; includes two 7-inch PCI expansion slots; supports 16-bit color for display of up to 32,768 colors on a variety of monitors. (Monitor is sold separately.)

Teacher Solution Kit

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- * ClarisWorks from Claris Corporation Combines word processing, database, spreadsheet, graphics, presentation, and communications software in one familiar, efficient environment.
- * ClarisWorks for Teachers from Claris Corporation
 Offers a convenient collection of templates for the most commonly used reports, schedules, evaluations, lists, newsletters, and presentations.
- * Classroom Clips from Creative Pursuits Provides more than 850 color graphics for all school subjects in the K-12 curriculum. Includes categories such as endangered species, holidays, sports, history, literature, and musical instruments.
- * Digital Chisel from Pierian Spring Software Enables teachers and students to create interactive multimedia presentations, storybooks, or reports. Supports QuickTime movies, sound, and animation as well as painting and drawing tools.
- * Easy Grade Pro from Orbis Software Provides grading, attendance, seating, analysis and reporting tools for

teachers. Offers 18 different grading reports.

- * Grolier Multimedia Encyclopedia from Mindscape, Inc.
 Combines the resources of a 21-volume encyclopedia with the impact of video and animation. Includes sophisticated hypertext searching tools, allowing students to explore ideas by linking words across cultures and time. Contains pictures, video clips, sounds, maps, and speeches.
- * MakeTest from Mountain Lake Software, Inc.
 Makes it easy to create and print question files and tests. Files your test
 items for future use.
- * Microsoft Bookshelf from Microsoft Corporation Provides encyclopedias, a dictionary, a thesaurus, an almanac, quotations, and an atlas. Offers a wide variety of pictures and text that you can copy and paste into other documents.
- * Orchestrator from Media Seek Technologies Provides a personal information manager designed for teachers, a syllabus manager, and a lesson planner.
- * Scholastic SuperPrint for the Macintosh from Scholastic Inc. Enables teachers and students to create full-color posters, banners, big books, cards, and calendars combining text, graphics, and artwork. Its interface is easy to use, even for the youngest students.
- * TIME Magazine Multimedia Almanac from SoftKey International, Inc. Contains a selection of fully indexed Time magazine articles from the past 70 years. Includes photos, videos, charts, maps, source materials, and directories that students can place in their projects.
- * TimeLiner from Tom Snyder Productions
 Enables teachers and students to create time lines that represent sequences of
 events or relationships between items such as time, size, weight, speed,
 distance, and temperature. Includes formats for printing long banners, single
 sheets, or posters. Also includes two data disks: American History and Dinosaurs
 and Other Big Stuff.

Ordering Information

Teacher Solution Bundle (Featured Solution)

Includes Power Macintosh 5260/120 and Teacher Solution Kit--a convenient way to order a hardware/software combination with a single part number.

Without CPU setup: B2805LL/C With CPU setup: B2806LL/C

Teacher Solution Kit

Order No./Price: T1681LL/D

May be purchased only with a computer.

Power Macintosh 5400/180

Without setup: M5162LL/A With setup: B2766LL/D

Power Macintosh 6400/200 Without setup: M5427LL/A With setup: B3043LL/A Monitor is sold separately.

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