Micro Lesson Plan Structure (for C&I)

Date: Oct. 15, 2012	Teacher: D. Schnell
Subject: Physics	Unit: A – Kinematics/Projectile Motion
<i>Goal</i> : solve, quantitatively, projectile motion problems near Earth's surface, ignoring air resistance	Grade: 11

Materials: Steel ball, rail, measuring tape/meter stick, excel spreadsheet or calculators

Objective: Students will learn to rearrange the kinematics formulae in order to solve for the needed variables. They will perform a simple experiment in order to get realistic numbers to enter into the formulae via spreadsheet. The formulae will be used to analyze the found data to find missing information.

Background Information: Students should know Earth's gravity, and algebra.

Introduction:

Briefly explain the GLO and SLO for this lesson. *Explain* we will be doing a lesson to test mathematical formulas that model simple projectile motion. *Explain* we want to find out the ball's velocity right as it leaves the rail. ("Initial" Velocity in X direction).

- Ask who knows gravity on earth, and who can do some algebra.

Setup:

Discuss which variables change, and which are constant. Measure height. Prepare to measure distance. We first need to find the time it took to fall. Then the initial x-velocity.

Activities

- Place ball on rail, fling it across. Record where it landed, and take measurement. Record measurement in Excel sheet.
- Repeat, allowing all students a turn if they wish.
- Rearrange formula to give the proper time fallen and initial x-velocity

<u>Closure</u>: Why and where is this useful?

Evaluation – How will you know the children have attained the objective(s) set for this lesson? They will successfully rearrange formulae, use them to analyze data.

Follow Up – What will the students do next?

Be able to work similar problems with projectiles launched at an angle.

Art of Teaching – What specific area(s) of teaching will you be working on during this lesson and how will you know if you have succeeded? Demonstrating, practice, question & answer. Students will be engaged and will grasp the concepts.