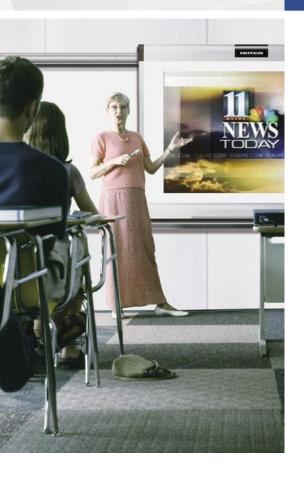
PolyVision's Interactive Whiteboards Replace TVs in Classrooms



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Holy Redeemer School in Alpharetta, GA replaced all classroom televisions with PolyVision interactive whiteboards that are capable of doubling as giant TV projection screens. The students were then able to use the school's closed circuit television system with the interactive whiteboards for school announcements and other programs. Principal Mary Reiling found that with the new PolyVision interactive whiteboards in place, the TVs became redundant.

"[Teachers] do not miss the TVs at all," said Laura Burell, Library Media Specialist. "It is easier to use the interactive whiteboards than to switch back and forth between the two technologies."

Holy Redeemer's classroom setup allows teachers to use the best resources available and to easily enrich and expand content for lessons beyond a book or workbook.

Schools are starting to use PolyVision interactive whiteboards in place of TVs for several reasons:

- The large screen image allows every student in the classroom to easily see what the teacher is presenting.
- The teacher has the ability to run the TV signal through the VCR, and via the LCD projector, can show an educational tape.
- The teacher can instantly switch from "Video" to "Computer" on the projector, in order to use any software application on the computer or the school's server.
- An interactive whiteboard supports more teaching options/functions/ capabilities than just a TV.

Technology coordinators in school districts like having the interactive whiteboard in place of the TV for several reasons:

- It eliminates a piece of technology (the TV) that has only one function.
- The projection screen can be eliminated in classrooms.
- Wall or ceiling mounting brackets for TVs are no longer needed.



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