

## Marc Reif



My family and myself in Yunnan, China, in 2008.

Oops, don't know what to put here! But at least I made my page. . .

My school website (also a google site) is [here](#).

Not that there's anything so great up there. . .

I learned about this project from the modeling listserv (check out <http://modeling.asu.edu>).

I teach physics and biology at Fayetteville High School, in Fayetteville, Arkansas.

### Lifelines NWA Participants\*

Name	Institution	Assignment
Marc Reif	Fayetteville High School	Biology, Physics, AP Physics C
David A. Young	Fayetteville High School	Math, Science, Technology
Kim Murie	Fayetteville High School	Biology, Pre-AP Biology
Mark White	Fayetteville High School	Environmental and Spatial Technology
Angela Taylor	Springdale High School	Biology

Tim Hollis	Fayetteville High School	Debate, Forensics, Oral Communications
Libby Combs	Fayetteville High School	Resource Biology and Chemistry
Janell Simpson	Patrick F. Taylor Science & Technology Academy	AP Environmental Science and Honors Chemistry

\*Note: I've gained some new ones, but several people who initially indicated they would participate have failed to respond to repeated attempts to get them to fill out the application, so currently my numbers are down one, to six. I have sent out 20+ emails soliciting new participants in the last week (today is 11 January 2011), so I expect a few more to sign up soon.

My (very spare) Lifelines PLC site is [here](#).

25 January 2011

Had our first PLC meeting today. Notes are [here](#).

## Recruitment

12.07.10: I have an application form online, waiting for more people to apply.

## Resources

## Reflections

12 October 2010 Meeting

I actually "arrived" at the very tail-end of this meeting. I am sorry about this, and I will try not to let it happen again. I will have to read the minutes to learn the rest of what happened.

As far as progress, I haven't made much other than talking to more people and getting soft commitments. I also remembered to make a page on my school website to refer people to. I intend to get firm commitments and have a PLC formed before the next meeting.

Again, I apologize for missing most of the meeting.

7 September 2010 Meeting.

I actually already talked (briefly) to Alan, and skimmed the notes from the previous meeting, so I didn't have many questions, but I did find the meeting to be helpful. In spite of the technological glitches at the start, Skype worked well for most of the meeting.

About Skype, I might suggest using the chat function. That way participants can type in questions or comments while the leader (or whoever is talking) can continue talking, and everyone can see them. I assume that will work during a conference call.

I am very excited about the GSS curriculum, I think that will be a really valuable resource for me and the members of my PLC as we go forward.

I also had thought about including non-science teachers in my community, so I'm glad that will be encouraged. For instance, I think our economics teacher might be interested, and he's a sharp guy with tons of knowledge.

I will set up a PLC page, and work on firmer commitments from my contacts in NW Arkansas and NE Oklahoma. I'm not limiting myself to these areas, but I know a fair number of teachers from this region, so I'm starting with them. Hopefully, we can hook up with some other teachers from the rest of Arkansas.

Thanks a lot!