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Profile

I am looking for a company of passionate and dedicated individuals where I can pursue a career rich in technical challenges as well as leadership opportunities. I thrive in situations which demand creative solutions in Information Technology management and excel at connecting people with the technology solutions they need to maximize their potential.

I have a track record of leading staff through complex projects and ensuring that they are completed on time and on budget.

Achievements

- Managed 5 location migration from legacy phone system to Avaya voice over IP solution.
- Reduced costs and downtime by migrating to hosted solutions when prudent, including planned move to Microsoft Azure cloud service for targeted workloads.
- Lead migration to hyper-converged infrastructure to achieve real-time failover capabilities between the primary datacenter and disaster recovery facility while reducing complexity and cost.
- Implemented Virtual Desktop Infrastructure to provide seamless remote access for mobile users.
- Fully virtualized two production data centers to increase uptime, reduce maintenance and cost, and create a reliable, disaster recoverable infrastructure.
- Developed project-based capital budget.
- Implemented Office 365 and Google Apps for anytime, anywhere access for staff.
- Expanded internal IT training programs to increase staff productivity, value, and morale.
- Developed internship program to augment IT at minimal cost while developing future talent.
- Implemented Free/Open Source Software (such as Linux) where appropriate to reduce cost.
- 17 years of experience in Information Technology
- 5 years of management experience

Education

MBA
University of Connecticut MBA, Hartford, CT
2012-2015 - GPA 4.0, Beta Gamma Sigma, Golden Key International Honour Society
Notable Coursework: Concentration in Managing Technology, Foreign Study in China

B.S. Management Information Systems
University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT
2000-2004

Skills

Management

Project Planning, Staff Management, Budgeting, & Communicating with non-technical staff

Infrastructure

Active Directory	Nutanix	SCCM 2012 R2	PostgreSQL	Certificates/PKI
VMware	Office 365	Linux	Managed WiFi	Switching/Routing
Hyper-V	Google Apps Bus.	MacOS/Server	RADIUS	Disaster Recovery
Microsoft VDI	Acct. Software	MS SQL	VPN	VOIP PBXs
Exchange & Lync	Azure Cloud	Oracle DB	Web Servers	Firewalls

Experience

District Director of Information Technology, 2011-Current
Tolland Public Schools - Tolland, CT
Tolland Public Schools is composed of nearly 500 staff members, 2600 students, and 1500 devices. As the Director of Technology, I manage the Network Administrator, Information Systems Specialist, as well as consultants and interns. I planned and oversaw the implementation of a five site Novell to Active Directory migration. As part of this migration, I virtualized the five previous data centers to one consolidated data center as well as a Disaster Recovery location. To support our Bring-Your-Own-Device initiative, I implemented a managed WiFi infrastructure with authenticated staff access and secure guest access. I have considerable experience in migrating to cloud-based services to reduce cost, enhance uptime, and conserve IT resources, including Google Docs for Business and Office 365. All of these required managing the requirements of diverse stakeholders with needs ranging from simplicity of use and training to security and reliability. During my time in Tolland I implemented a formal help desk system, greatly expanded IT service offerings, increased system uptime, and began a training and certification routine for IT staff. I serve on the District's Leadership Council, Technology Advisory Board, and attend Board of Education meetings as needed.

Experience (Cont'd)	**Information Systems Specialist, 2006-2011**

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Newington Public Schools - Newington, CT
At Newington Public Schools I acted as network administrator, providing technical and management leadership for other technicians. I managed the Active Directory, SQL, and Exchange environments. I was also instrumental in planning and implementing a virtualization strategy as well as single sign-on across Windows, MacOS and Linux. As needed I programmed web-based and stand-alone applications (C#, Java, & PHP).

Network Specialist, 2004-2006
Connecticut Online Computer Center - Avon, CT
At COCC I participated in the migration of four mission-critical NT Domains to Active Directory. Post migration, I helped manage their Active Directory and Exchange environments while also implementing secure Linux systems for specialized tasks.

Network Technician, 2002-2004 Part Time
University of Connecticut: Biology Central Services - Storrs, CT

Network Technician, 1999-2004 Part Time
Town of Cheshire - Cheshire, CT

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Certifications / Memberships

Microsoft Certified Systems Administrator, Microsoft Certified Professional
Virtual Technology User Group, NEVMUG, Tolland Tech Board, UConn Alumni Association

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Programming Languages

Fluent		**Familiar**		
C#	PowerShell	C++	Perl	CSS
Java	JavaScript	Objective-C	PHP	COBOL
	BASH		Visual Basic	HTML