

Discussion Board Forum
Classroom Online Discussion Assignment

Topic posted by Instructor:

Put yourself in the role of a Web site development company. Consider why it is so important to estimate properly and accurately. What problems might be caused if you underestimated and had to go back to the client to ask for more money? What issues are involved with overestimating?

The following is a snippet of a classroom discussion occurring during school hours. **Student D** posted something that offended the class. The class then decided to “gang up” on him verbally in this forum.

The instructor called a class meeting via the Virtual Classroom and discussed Cyberbullying with the students. The students involved said, at the time they did not realize they were “attacking” **Student D**, but in retrospect they could see how this would be considered an attack.

Please read the posts below. All names have been removed for the safety of the students involved.

you have to make a good estimation when you ask someone to pay that much money. you wouldnt want to over charge him or undercharge him. it would not look good to your client if they got a bad deal. i think it would be very important to double check you estimations because you dont want to waste time at all.

Student C

(Student C), I'm not saying that you have a bad answer (because there really isn't one), but you need to elaborate more in you statement. at LEAST a full paragraph. remember that these replies are for a grade. make sure that before you post that you think you have "A" material in your statement.

Student D

Look (Student D) not to start anything but you should worry about yourself honestly I mean you are not the teacher ,and you have much better things to do (I hope) then sit on here and bash on peoples stuff .

so chill man seriously

Student B

As being a student in my class, I feel that it is one of my objectives to try to help students. "only worry about yourself"? are you sure that your statement was not somewhat selfish? and in that other post "dude grow up"? are you sure that i am being immature about the situation? Of course, i respect the fact that everyone is entitled to his or her belief. my intention is to not only pass the class, but offer help to my peers along the way. how do you feel about your post? were your intentions to try to bring me down? Student B, I understand that you dislike me, but please try not to take it out on the discussion board.

To Student C: I apologize if my statements have only discouraged or offended you. I really hope you do well. and this goes for the rest of you at there! This includes you Student B.

Student D

Alright first of all this is discussion board it suppose to be like you talking to somebody not to lecture them .

Student E

Student "D" response to teacher question:

If I undercharged a client, and I notified him or her the issue, the client would probably complain that I was trying to scam him or her. I would end up having to show what she had to pay towards and why. A major issue that can show up at this point is that I already charged the person. Most policies say that if the agreement was checked and paid, it is as is. What this means is that if the agreement is accepted and paid for, especially if underpaid, regardless you can not charge more money on your client because that is the plan you agreed with him or her. Therefore, you are ultimately responsible that you made the problem of under-charging, and you have to accept the word, "tough". Next problem is that you have a meeting tomorrow, and it seems that your boss will be attending. He sends you a note that he would like to see you after the meeting, personally.

When you are in a situation when you overcharge a client, its probably not as serious... not for you anyway. If you or the client realize this, most policies state that the client has every right to obtain back his money. Obviously if you don't comply, the manager might have to hear about it... unless "dare" is your middle name, you don't want that. You might not be very happy in a little bit.

Student D

Is that "A" material?

Student B

Yeah, (Student D), is that "A" material. Would you like to grade the rest of our responses?

Student C

F+ is you ask me

Student A

Why do some people feel they have to make useless comments about people's answers in this discussion board. I guess not everyone has manners.

Student F

You're an idiot! No one is asking for your comments!

Student G