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TOPIC ---

I have a problem concerning a Macintosh file server and Apple IIGS lab. I
installed the AppleShare File Server software and Aristotle on a Macintosh
SE. Ideal Learning installed their Podium software. The installation was
successful and the lab operated for two months without a problem.

During the summer, the lab was moved to another room and reconnected. After
a few days, problems developed. When the Apple IIGS computers were turned
on, we got the normal routine (the dots going across the top of the
screen), and then, when the message "Looking for AFP fileservers" came on,
the IIGS screen showed what appeared to be hex characters, and it locked
up. The IIGS had to be restarted.

The file server appeared to be working without problems. I then
re-installed the AppleShare File server software, and the same thing
happened. Next, I re-installed the Macintosh OS, updating to System 6.0.5.
The same thing happened again. I reformatted the hard disk and restored
from a backup. The system worked for about a week, when the same problems
developed.

There are five other labs in the school system with the identical set-up,
and they are all operating without any problems.

DISCUSSION --

We would check the server and make sure that GS/OS has been properly
installed--with the Installer--and that all the necessary files are there.
After you verify that, take a look at each Apple IIGS computer.

If the problems show up on all systems in this network, take one of them to

another network and see if it starts properly there. Also, check to see
what is happening before the network fails. Maybe a student is trashing
some crucial files within the server folder or within the GS/OS system
folder on the server.

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