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Hello...

This sounds like its definitely a system issue, regardless of SW. If it crashes while downloading music and playing games that doesn't necessarily mean its a video card issue... (because if the video card was that it would crash all the time).

You are using an ECS motherboard, since the days of the pentiums (classic) the mighty ECS motherboard has been crappy – no matter what...

I would try this:

1. Reset bios to setup defaults, then don't change anything... (testing to see if its a performance enhancement issue).

If that doesn't change anything...

2. Check the RAM that you are using and make sure its been tested by ECS although the memory is probably not the issue – its definitely worth checking.

Speaking of RAM have you tried different RAM in this system? Random system crashes and BSOD's are frequently a RAM issue.

And last but not least...

3. Update BIOS from ECS Website, Be very careful to get the correct BIOS for the version of your board, Many boards can look the same and they have different BIOSSES.

FYI: If you update with the wrong BIOS it will trash the M/B, you will have to warranty the board back to ECS to fix it.

That is.... Be careful when updating bios this is almost always the last resort...

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On 1/23/06 11:04 PM, in article
7AE94A25-E7E5-4901-809B-D80140D7E521@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx, "STILL LEARNING" <STILL
LEARNING@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote:

> i built my first pc 16 months ago.
> ecs board
> p4 3.2 ht
> 1.5gb ram
> 120gb maxtor hdd
> bfg 6600 256mb 8xagp
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> for about 12mounths if i was using it for a long period of time or it was
> just on it would crash occasionally. the more i use it the more it crashes.
> running games (far cry, doom3, fear, even star craft, and red alert 2). i
> noticed it more when i would be downloading music. i am runing norton system
> works 05. never finds any viruses. but sometimes when it reboots after a
> crash it would have an error message so i would report it to microsoft and it
> would say its a driver issue. so i upsate all my drivers regularly and with
> no improvement. i recently bout a 500 watt continues power power supply and a
> new case with 3 120mm fans with no improvement. today i bought another maxtor
> hard drive 200 gb ata 133 for additional storage because my other was full.
> it is installed as a slave and max blaster 4 was used for the install because
> of its size. now when i try to transfer files lfrom the 120 to the 200 that
> are larger than 1gb it almost always crashes.
> i intend to hool up my new media streamer to my home enterainment system to
> stream movies and music and my pc is obviusly unstable PLEASE HELP!!!!!!!!!!!!
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