Taking Ownership of Your Curriculum

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Why we started: Julie

Why we started

What it looked like

Why we kept doing it

How we keep doing it

Book Giveaway

- Needed a better organization system
- Wanted to save time with planning
- Students didn't know where to look
- Not enough materials from district

Why we started: David

Why we started

What it looked like

Why we kept doing it

How we keep doing it

Book Giveaway

- New standards (CCGPS)
- Very limited/inapt state frameworks
- No available EOCT resources
- Wanted to dive into material
- Quickly got hooked

Why we started: Chuck

Why we started

What it looked like

Why we kept doing it

How we keep doing it

Book Giveaway

- Publishers' ancillary materials were not suitable
- No state frameworks
- Calculus textbooks not written for AP
- Others' stuff was not attractive

What it looked like: Julie

Why we started

What it looked like

Why we kept doing it

How we keep doing it

Book Giveaway

- A compilation of tasks/worksheets
- Eventually included "notes" or examples for students
- Writing time in May/summer or by unit/chapter
 - Utilized new GA K-12 standards for Algebra

What it looked like: David

Why we started

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Why we kept doing it

How we keep doing it

Book Giveaway

- Guided notes each day; all in Word
- Written 2-3 days in advance, sometimes the night before; lots of evening and weekend morning writing
- Assessments from scratch
- ~ 3 hours per lesson
- Poor file naming conventions & organization

What it looked like: Chuck

Why we started

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Book Giveaway

- Classroom tests & worksheets
- Math Team problems
- The AP Calculus Problem Book
- Calculus: Dynamic Mathematics

Why we kept doing it: Julie

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Book Giveaway

- Front loading work saved TIME in the new year
- Students feel like there is more purpose and take the course more seriously
- Freedom to change or supplement as needed
- Able to really analyze the standards and choose what the students interacted with

Why we kept doing it: David

Why we started

What it looked like

Why we kept doing it

How we keep doing it.

Book Giveaway

- Gave me ownership over material and a sense of pride/purpose
- The fun and creativity of it
- Fast way to get mastery over content
- Students appreciated it (and respected it!)

Why we kept doing it: Chuck

Why we started

What it looked like

Why we kept doing it

How we keep doing it

Book Giveaway

- Able to respond to student needs
- Thinking creatively about math and teaching it
- Make it look the way I want
- I enjoy the challenge

How we keep doing it: Julie

Why we started

What it looked like

Why we kept doing it

How we keep doing it

Book Giveaway

- Start with what you have!
- Build upon it each year instead of re-creating
- Use weird time (exam weeks, odd schedule changes)
- Don't be afraid to ask for input from colleagues

How we keep doing it: David

Why we started

What it looked like

Why we kept doing it

How we keep doing it

Book Giveaway

- Transitioned to LATEX
- Started writing farther in advance (typically $\sim 2-3$ weeks early)
- Less time writing per lesson (probably closer to 2 hours)
- Found resources for problem inspiration
- Much better file organization
- Much better life organization (finding good pockets to write)

How we keep doing it: Chuck

Why we started

What it looked like

Why we kept doing it

How we keep doing it

Book Giveaway

- Summer!
- Breaks!
- Weekends!
- It pays off!

Book Giveaway

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What it looked like

Why we kept doing it

How we keep doing it

Book Giveaway

Feedback

Book Giveaway!

Thank you!

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Feedback

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