

Creating an Ed Camp-Like Experience for Your Staff

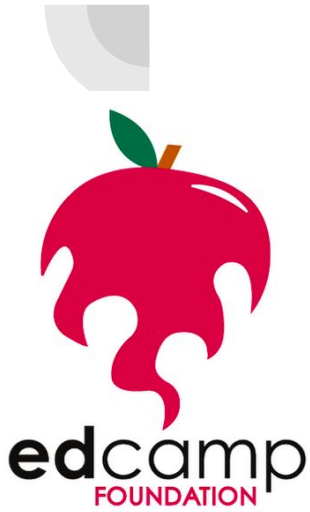
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Who Is In the Room?

Goals

- Embrace choice, voice, collaboration, and innovation (with structure);
- Use G Suite to enhance learning opportunities and professional growth for all teachers (PreK-12 in all content areas);
- Use technology and freedom of Ed Camp to enhance teacher learning;
- Implement strategies for students, families, and community members on first day of school.

Ed Camp In Your District??



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Why this was a challenge in our district...



- Who from BTSD had/had not been to an Ed Camp...
- How to maintain structure AND provide for collaboration...
- The freedom of Ed Camp might be too much for our staff...



Structure while promoting collaboration

Structure

- Speaks to “traditional” teacher learner (common in schools)
- Need for order during the day
- Maintain a schedule of PD

Collaboration

- Wanted to promote teacher voice/choice (good modeling for student implementation)
- Desire to cover a large amount of topics in one session
- Ability to turnkey quickly (and in future)



Strong theme...

*“Coming together is the beginning. Keeping together is progress. Working together is success.”
~Henry Ford*

Develop Non-Negotiables

- Commitment
- Content Knowledge
- Climate/Culture
- Assessments
- Collaboration
- Coaching/Advising
- Classroom Management
- Technology
- Communication
- Rapport/Relationships



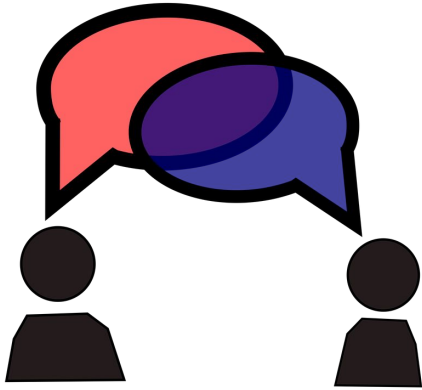


2016...Strong With.....just a sample

Flipped Classroom	Genius Hour/Maker Space	Word Problem Strategies	I & RS	Centers	Alternative Assessment
Classroom Management	Questioning/ Discussion Techniques	Student Engagement	Co-teaching/Inclusion	Community Partnerships	Social Media in Learning
BYOD	STEM	PLN/PLC	HIB	ESL/ELL	NGSS
Meeting needs of disaffected learner	Promoting athletics with at-risk kids	iPads	Grant Writing	Close Reading	Genesis



Conversation Starters



- I'm *strong* in this area when I.....
- I've seen this benefit students because....
- A resource for this...
- I've chosen to attend this session because...

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**“What it is and what it
isn’t”**

Role play...



Role of Google Drive

Google

Feedback from teachers...

“I am thankful for all of your efforts in creating a warm and welcoming atmosphere which will support and guide us through the theme of the upcoming year.”

“The Ed Camp that Mr. Scotto implemented was a new and inspiring idea for staff members across the district to share conversation on a topic of their choice.”

“Great job last 2 days. Definitely best in-service thus far. I think it truly touched people on a personal level. It was REAL...no BS.”

Feedback from teachers...

“I am inspired to strive for the exciting things that are undoubtedly going to happen this year!”

“Thank you again for a very memorable and special experience.”

“Have a great and STRONG year!”


“I’m certain you’ve also heard the overwhelming amount of positive feedback regarding not just your presentation, but the entire agenda throughout these two days. The most common of which is that this has been the most inspiring, enjoyable, uplifting, and encouraging opening in the memory of most of our staff.”

Lessons learned...

From housekeeping to prof. learning

Lessons learned

- Chromebooks in classrooms (1per)
- Shared doc (to keep the conversation going)
- Room locations (designated)
- Chromebooks charged
- Provided “pulse” of district (by topic)
- Re-visit throughout the year
- Ideas resource



Lessons
Learned



Ed Camp 2017...

- Kept “Strong With...” theme
- Added a “promise” with QBall...
- No “paper” schedules given
- Shared Google doc with entire staff
- Staff generated some of their own topics...



Here are the topics we offered this year...

Flipped Classroom A111	MakerSpace B110	STEM A101	RTI Process (formerly I & RS) A106	Reading Strategies A105	Getting the Most from Genesis B106
Research Skills B109	Differentiated Instruction / Assessment B107	Co-Teaching / ICR Strategies B102	Classroom Management C107	Behavior Modification A110	Parent Communication A209
Room Arrangement / Using Space C108	Rubric Design C105	ESL / ELL / LEP B101A	Daily 5 B105	Google Apps For Education B103	How School Counselors Can Help A112
Promoting Success for the Student Athlete C110	Next Generation Science Standards C104	The Disaffected Learner C106	Technology & Formative Assessment A214	How Paras / Aides Help Best C103	BYOD / PearDeck (a new formative assessment software program for teachers) A108
Student Engagement A208	SMARTBoards A107	Newsela A211	Mathematics Word Problems A213	Coaches' Corner B104	The Role of the School Nurse B101
Questioning & Discussion Techniques A210	Helping Students with Autism A109	Interdisciplinary Learning / The Arts A212	Wonders Reading Series C101	Making the most of Science Labs C102	GoMath A210

Ed Camp 2018...?

YES!

- Incorporate sessions in multiple time slots
- More time between sessions to encourage discussion/conversation
- More “free choice” topics for staff to create
- “Smackdown”...

~The Four O’Clock Faculty: A Rogue Guide to Professional Development, Rich Czyz

Thank
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