

WACA Wednesday, September 16, 2020

How are we doing this? Adopting and Adapting

Check out this Ted Talk - My Year of Saying Yes to Everything

https://www.ted.com/talks/shonda_rhimes_my_year_of_saying_yes_to_everything?language=en

How are you Creating Boundaries –

no email after a specific time – think a little earlier than later in the day

limit what you do for work on the weekends

what else can you do to set boundaries for yourself

What if we say yes this year? What can we accomplish with this attitude?

Michelle Munson – Liberty HS – I am taking my old power points into Microsoft power points – they connect to the Canvas Platform and Canvas links to our gradebook.

Stephani Kinney – Highland HS – counselors made a schedule change and it changed what the students could see. Watch for this glitch in your platform.

David Volke – Liberty MS – we are a google district. It is crucial to connect with students. I do a daily check in – the students rate how they are doing on a scale of 1-5. The students that rank themselves 1 or 2 I create an individual screen castify so the students hear my voice and see my face. I am also using voice notes for students and parents.

Michelle Munson – Liberty HS – open lunch time Zoom students can attend

Teacher told Students – remember you need to take breaks for your eyes – Use the 10 minute passing time to do this.

Michell Munson – Liberty HS – we need lessons on boundaries with our students – with computers and electronics

Tina Peabody – Sunnyside HS – lay out the week for the students. It is a full-time job managing the technology. It is ok to tell the students you are in the virtual classroom struggle with them. Sometimes they can be your resource with a program or you can problem solve the issue together. One of the struggles is making sure your technology syncs between programs.

Kristen Vhoom – Tahoma HS – kids are already asking about grades – teachers are not ready. At least they are concerned.

Tina Peabody – Sunnyside HS – Resource room students have 100% attendance with cameras on and totally engaged. Some parents are concerned the students have too many places to go on the computer. Print information for parents and the work – pick up at school so the student doesn't have to print or navigate so many locations in the virtual world.

Susie Bennett – Selah MS – I found a great resource site Slides Mania for free resources. Check it out.

www.slidesmania.com

Beth Marriott – Meadowdale HS – other teachers in the building can be a resource. She is finding staff members are filling the void which they tend not to do not in the virtual world.

David Volke – Liberty MS – EdPuzzle uses video that you can have stop at a certain spot for the students to answer a question. The video will not move forward until the question is answered. Allow students to respond to other activities in different forms – paragraph, flipgrid, drawing etc.

Susie Bennett – Selah MS – I found a Choice Board with tutorials.

<https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1TsrOdv5AoFDGCVp-xz0BKZpQIDr0DtR69d7KQZoTNI/edit?usp=sharing>

LeAnn Straehle – Toppenish HS – JamBoard.goggle.com is another resource you can use

Tina Peabody – Sunnyside HS – she did a lesson in the Character Unit -- students took their character word and the questions about their word and put it into Padlet.

Susie Bennett – Selah MS – added a poll for students to answer – would you rather breath underwater or fly? Polls like this can lead to great discussion and sharing or can just add fun to class that session.

Guy Simpson – WAVA HS – students have skill and knowledge and are willing to help with technology. Allow them that voice and validate their knowledge. Online I still connect with the students I connected with in the classroom, but I noticed online I am also connecting with the students who feel more comfortable online than in the classroom.

David Volke – Liberty MS – Social emotional learning is so important still online. This is a huge focus of my teaching. The students need someone to give them value and know we are hearing them.

Jason Simonson – Kentridge HS – getting out of the comfort zone is a real life application and virtual learning is reminding us of this application.

Tina Peabody – Sunnyside HS – Think of the flexibility and creativity you can develop using virtual learning.

Michael Sniezak – Eatonville MS – we assume they can do - most students know Instagram, snapchat, phone and gaming device. We need to figure out where to start – email, calendar etc. Not all kids are really saavy with technology.

Paul Rudd – Mask Video is worth the watch. It is about getting Millennials to wear a Mask. Type Paul Rudd into your google search and several versions will show up.

Guy Simpson – WAVA HS - What are you using in the virtual world teaching that you can take with you when you are back in the classroom. Start a journal, note etc on Nuggets I would like to use.

Ways to destress while teaching online:

David Volke – Liberty MS – is adding entertainment to his lessons by buying a costume to teach one of his units. He is Sur Benedict Churchill the 3rd and had taken on a British Accent.

Susie Bennett – Selah MS – Zoom Happy Hours, getting together on Zoom can be more convenient – take your travel time away and allows us to meet when we may not choose to give up the extra time.

Michelle Munson – Liberty HS – trying to get better at meeting the students where they are at.

David Volke – Liberty MS – Make sure to borrow and steal ideas to make our world easier. You do not need to reinvent or create everything new.

Self Care Boundaries – dance parties between classes, go outside of your house/classroom, read something not educational for a few minutes each day, nap, spend time with your new animal

Joe Fenbert – AWSL – pandemic puppy forces him to walk or find out what the puppy borrowed – a good distraction.

AWSL reminds you all students can lead. **AWSL** has invited you to sign your MS and HS students up for the virtual **Fall Conference on October 30 and 31**. The cost is \$250 for member schools to bring as many students and staff they want from their building. Go to awsleader.org to find more information.

Attendees:

Michelle Munson – Liberty HS – WACA President Elect - Area 2

David Volke - Liberty Middle School – Area 4

Stephani Kinney - Highland HS – Area 6

Greg Barker – AWSL – Area 4

Susie Bennett, Selah Middle School – WACA President - Area 6

Amber Finch-Chelan High School – Area 5

Tina Peabody - Sunnyside High School – Area 6

Tammy Caldwell - WACA Board – Area 1

Jason Simonson - Kentridge HS – Area 2

Joe Fenbert, AWSL/Cispus – Area 4

LeAnn Straehle - Toppenish HS – Area 6

Kristen VanHoomissen "VHoom"- Tahoma HS – Area 3

Guy Simpson – WAVA – WACA Past President – Area 3, 7, 9

Guy Simpson : https://www.ted.com/talks/shonda_rhimes_my_year_of_saying_yes_to_everything?language=en

VHoom ! : My lunch Zoom is so fun, and needed!

Susie Bennett : I found a really great, FREE resource you might want to check out for projects, choice boards, etc.
www.slidesmania.com

Beth Marriott - Meadowdale High School – Area 1

VHoom ! : <https://edpuzzle.com/>

VHoom ! : Integrates with google classroom!!

LeAnn Straehle : [Jamboard.google.com](https://jamboard.google.com) - possible way to get kids to share ideas. Is limited to numbers

Susie Bennett : Link to extensive choice board from slidesmania.com

<https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1TsrOdvs5AoFDGCVp-xz0BKZpQIDr0DtR69d7KQZoTNI/edit?usp=sharing>

Guy Simpson : <https://manycam.com/1/>

Susie Bennett : Here's a hyperdoc template that I used for a leadership lesson.

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1wfrqn4kllG9754eWdeuqOIWI3ovm3vNiXw-hGSDYfcc/edit?usp=sharing>