**Staff Development Project**

**Topic Selection:**

* Destiny Library System
  + Following a meeting with Gering Public Schools Head of Curriculum it was recommended to administration that the Library Media Specialist be given a 60 minute slot during the 2012 in-service days.
  + The Destiny Library System was purchased in the fall of 2010 and received two major updates in 2011 and 2012.
  + “Libraries need to have updated library management software that allows them to more effectively manage print, online and digital resources, ensure access to safe, educator-approved websites and resources aligned to standards, improve reporting and accountability, and support individualized instruction. Follett Software’s library management system is designed to help our library work more efficiently, freeing up resources to devote to student learning.” (Follett Software Company, 2012)

**Format:**

* The format will be a 1 hour time slot. The district requires teacher work days at the beginning of the year. Therefore, the teachers will be required to attend our library session.
* The sessions will be divided up so not all teachers will be attending at one time.
* A survey/pretest will be given at the beginning of the session to determine the knowledge level of the group over the Destiny Library System. (survey attached)
* Door prizes will be given.

**Activities:**

* ***Attention grabber***
* Show a video that was created by our Student Librarians with the guidance of the Library Media Specialist. The video was submitted for video contest sponsored by the American Library Association. The video highlights the reasons the student and staff love our library.
* Following the video I will give a short ***lecture*** on the value of the Destiny Library System and what it can provide for teacher and students.
* ***Demonstration*** of the basic tabs….home page, catalog including One Search, Destiny Quest and my information.
* ***Hands on*** searches (contest for prizes) and explore
* ***Question and Answer Session***
* ***Post Test***
* ***Evaluation of the Session***

**Organization:**

* I will be leading and organizing the workshop with the help of the library para professional.
* The announcement for the workshop will be posted on the agenda for teachers at the beginning of the year. The teachers will receive a copy of the agenda in the mail prior to the start of school. The copy of the agenda will also be posted on the schools website.
  + Title: **Free up resources to devote to student learning:**  ***The Destiny Library System***
* Door prizes will be purchased or donated.
  + Our school business partners will help with prizes and bottled water.
* A computer room will be reserved for the workshop.
* A workshop agenda will be given to all teachers.
* An interest card will be given to all teachers as they walk in the door. The card will be used for door prizes and to provide information to the Library Media Specialist.
* An evaluation will be given to the teachers to determine if the presentation was successful.
  + Was the presentation informative?
  + Was the presentation beneficial to you as a classroom teacher?
  + Will you use the Destiny Library System?
  + What additional information would you like to see presented during this workshop?
* Thank-you notes will be written to the business partners that contributed the door prizes.
* Thank you notes will be delivered to the teachers for attending the workshop and to administrators for allowing them to participate.

**Agenda for Staff Development**

**Free up resources to devote to student learning: *The Destiny Library System***

Welcome-*Eldon Hubbard, Principal*

* Fill out an interest card
* Door prizes

Introduction-*Annie Boggs, LMS*

* Video

Informal Pre-test-*Annie Boggs*

Destiny Library System-*Annie Boggs & Robin Schadwinkel (para-professional)*

* Lecture & Demonstration

Log into the library system to test-(*Teachers)*

Search Contest-(*Teachers)*

Informal Post-test-(*Annie Boggs-LMS)*

Evaluation-*Eldon Hubbard*

Thank-you-*Annie Boggs and Robin Schadwinkel*

**Questions for the informal pre-test and post-test**

**The only goal is for you to feel comfortable with our state of art library system**

1. How do you access the Destiny Library System?
   1. Website or Icon on your desktop.
2. Where and when can you access the Destiny Library System?
   1. Any internet access with browser, cell, home, etc. 24/7 access
3. List three types of information available in the Destiny Library System?
   1. Books, databases, videos, etc.
4. What professional databases are available for your use?
   1. EBCO, Wilson Web, Eric, Sirs, National Geographic,
5. What information is available on the library home page?
   1. Newspapers, 2.0 tools, databases, library tools, etc.

*\*\*\*\*All test questions will be shown on individual slides and be given orally.*

**Search Contest**

1. Perform a title search for the title *Hatchet*. How many copies do we have? Is it an award winning book?
2. Put the book *Hatchet* on Hold.
3. Who is the author of the book Divergent? Where did she go to college? (hint: titlepeek)
4. What are the top books in the library and list five upcoming books? (hint: Destiny Quest)
5. Search the 2012 Presidential Election and report the number of results (hint: one search)

*\*\*\*all search questions will be show on individual slides and prizes will be given*

**Evaluation of the Destiny Library System Workshop**

Please rate the following items on a scale of 1-5, 1 being low and 5 being high:

I found the workshop (circle one)

* Was the presentation informative?

1 2 3 4 5

* Was the presentation beneficial to you as a classroom teacher?

1 2 3 4 5

* Will you use the Destiny Library System?

1 2 3 4 5

* What additional information would you like to see presented during this workshop?

**Teacher-Library Media Center Interest Card**

Teacher\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Grade\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Subjects\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

What can the library help you with? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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