

Wayne Cherry

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Outcome driven Instructional Technologist with a proven history of enhancing student engagement and teacher performance. Experienced trainer, coach, and curriculum creator with extensive knowledge of best practices for effective training and support to educators and creating custom lessons and curriculum to increase student learning. Exceptional customer service skills and STEM product expertise gained as a sales associate for a major retailer.

Experience

AUGUST 2016 - PRESENT

Instructional Technologist | St. Pius X High School | Houston, TX

- Co-authored the framework for a newly created support position focusing on the integration of cloud based and on premises technology in education for 50 faculty and over 500 students.
- Coached teachers on the effective integration of STEAM learning into their curricula to enhance student engagement and performance resulting in an overall increase of technology usage and a 15% decrease in paper costs in the first year.
- Developed and implemented apps for campus use utilizing data to improve educational effectiveness which reduced the amount of time spent by administration on these tasks from two weeks to less than one.
- Created documentation and led trainings for faculty and staff.
- Built a prospectus for and worked directly with the Head of School's committee to spearhead a campus wide one to one laptop program.
- Helped grow our engineering program from less than 10% percent enrollment in the classes by minority and female students to more than 50%.

FEBRUARY 2020-PRESENT

Trainer and Instructional Coach | LEGO Education | Boston, MA

- Provided training in LEGO Education hardware and software adhering to LEA Guidelines and delivering effective instruction both online and in person for approximately 400 active teachers to date, many times as the requested trainer at their campus.
- Addressed product-related inquiries from teachers and ensured they have the support needed to effectively employ LEGO Education resources in their classroom.
- Drafted customized coaching plans for existing LEGO Education customers and aided them in implementing the program effectively.
- Actively engaged in monthly LEA Trainer events to stay updated on product knowledge, teaching skills, and coaching strategies.
- Led presentations at major state educational technology conferences multiple times with a proven record of increasing product interest and promoting sales.

AUGUST 2012 – JUNE 2015

GT Coordinator | First Baptist Academy | Houston, TX

- Developed specialized curriculum for approximately 50 students in a pullout gifted program based around topics they were interested in learning.
- Created a robotics program for fifteen students interested in pursuing computer science in high school and beyond.
- Improved an existing program to refocus its outcomes on STEAM learning as an enrichment tool for all students in first through fourth grades.

AUGUST 2007 – JUNE 2016

Library Director | First Baptist Academy | Houston, TX

- Successfully boosted a struggling library program by reestablishing its importance within the school community and expanding its reach among students and faculty.
- Administered the annual library budget and major fundraising efforts to support the acquisition of new materials and resources which brought more than \$50,000 directly into the library and more than 5000 new books both in the library and in individual classrooms during my tenure.
- Drove collection development, including the purchase of relevant materials and the removal of outdated or damaged items and decreased the overall age of the collection by 12 years.
- Fostered collaboration with all departments by creating specialized projects that integrated the library's resources into various subject areas which enhanced student learning in all grade levels.
- Developed brand new curriculum for the library aligned to state and national standards.

Skills

Type 120 WPM • Proficient with Microsoft 365 • Strong interpersonal skills • Excellent presentation skills • Conflict management • Project Management • Databases • Teamwork • Adaptability • Problem Solving • Research skills

Education

MAY 2007

Master of Science Library Science | University of North Texas | Denton, TX

DECEMBER 2002

Bachelor of Arts Psychology and English | Baylor University | Waco, TX

Interests

Literature • Coding and Robotics • LEGO • Learning through Play • Stories and storytelling