 Bright Ideas for Tackling Challenges

 Sandhills Region – Laurinburg, NC

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| Challenge #1:**Little or No Support** | Bright Ideas:* Inform/educate everyone (parents, administrators, teachers, students) on what Xtreme is – explain the strategies used.
* Invite administrators/teachers to come in your classroom.
* Provide a link/video on school website for parents to educate themselves about Xtreme.
* Share data sheets on student progress.
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| Challenge #2:**Student Placements** | Bright Ideas:* Use multiple sources of data
* Find universal screening for previous class other than the EOG (iReady, benchmark, NC Check-ins, etc.) GRADE? Teacher input.
* Explain Xtreme Reading to teachers in previous grades.
* Create an end-of-year student data sheet (virtual) for next year’s placement to ensure timely placement for implementation at the beginning of the year.
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| Challenge #3:**Time/Scheduling** | Bright Ideas:* Use course and unit organizers for pacing.
* Schedule courses and planning in morning if possible
* Get administrative support
* Implement during remediation time (WIN or AC)
* Utilize planning time and PLC time to plan/prepare.
* Flexibility
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| Challenge #4**Materials** | Bright Ideas:* Cohort planning/sharing
* Flexibility
* Administrative support
* Allot money
* Transfer all cue cards and components to online to save time.
* Make plans for Advanced Xtreme 2, 3 - change materials/resources and layer on writing.
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| Challenge #5**Student Attitudes and Motivation** | Bright Ideas:* Motivate through pep talks, videos, mentor support.
* Administrative and parent support
* PBIS plan/support (positive reinforcement, rewards)
* Create connections
* Use high interest reading selections
* Incentives (candy) work towards a reward.
* Team building, activities
* Celebrations / awards every 6 weeks.
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