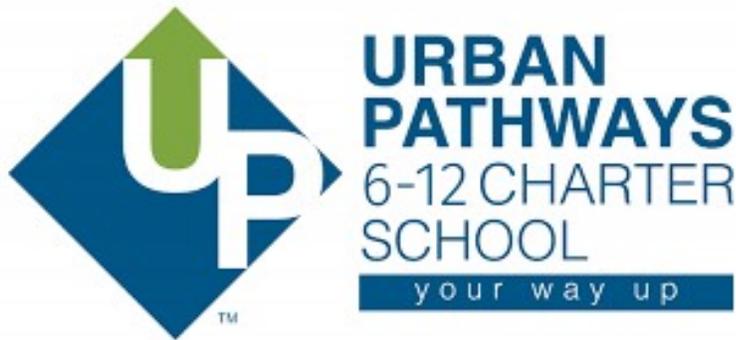


Case Study: Shawna Rice with Urban Pathways 6-12 Charter School

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Shawna Rice Urban Pathways 6-12 Charter School

Industry: Charter 6-12
Location: Pittsburgh, PA
School Size: 341 Students

School Bio

Urban Pathways 6-12 Charter School is a charter school in downtown Pittsburgh, PA and consists of more than 341+ students in grades 6 to 12. Student demographics for Urban Pathways 6-12 Charter School consist of: 96% Black, 2% Two or More Races, 1% Hispanic, and 1% White. Urban Pathways 6-12 Charter School maintains a 12:1 student to teacher ratio while ensuring a safe and encouraging environment for its students.

Background: Shawna Rice, Math Teacher

Shawna Rice has been teaching mathematics for five years. Though she's always known she wanted to teach, settling on what to teach and which age group to teach were huge questions early in her career. She finally settled on teaching mathematics "...because of the beauty of final answers with so many routes to get there."



"That's one thing I love about Get More Math...I love the reviewing of old skills!"

- Shawna Rice
Math Teacher

Urban Pathways 6-12 Charter School (Pittsburgh)

Shawna's
Favorite Features
of
Get More Math

**Spiral
Mixed
Review**

**Fully
Digital
Solution**

**Skip and
Skip
Reversion**

**Onsite or
Virtual
Teaching**

Note: Shawna
teachers 8th grade at
Urban Pathways 6-12
Charter School.

Biggest Challenges in Teaching Mathematics

Over the five years that Shawna Rice has been teaching mathematics, the most difficult thing she's faced is realizing how students coming to her class seem to be lacking the foundational math skills to build upon new math concepts. And when they were exposed to new math concepts and skills, they always seem to have a difficult time retaining new material. Shawna says, "There is a lot of drill, kill, then dump in math these days." In short, she needed something to not only break this cycle but also to help them better retain what she's taught through her onsite or virtual classroom.



First Impressions about Get More Math

Shawna was first introduced to Get More Math by one of her colleagues at Urban Pathways 6-12 Charter School who had just started using Get More Math. Shortly thereafter, the entire school decided to start the free trial for the entire school year, and investigate Get More Math's math practice and retention program further. Shawna says, "I was so excited to see Get More Math. I have been working on doing spiral reviews with my students for the past few years and having another way to spiral through skills with my students to review old skills had me optimistic." She also went on to say that because Get More Math's solution was purely digital (web-based) made it exciting for her class.

"For us, the idea is that the teacher helps push the class forward...but then Get More Math provides that practice that keeps pushing each kid back over the best or most valuable content that they could possibly do on a particular day."

- Josh Britton
Founder, Get More Math

The Get More Math Solution

Once Get More Math was accepted and deployed throughout Urban Pathway 6-12 Charter School, Shawna began to expand and leverage her use of Get More Math with her students. She says that the fact that Get More Math is digital has made it much easier to look at how her students are able to progress through the skills they had previously only practiced by using pen and paper. Though her school's onsite teaching routine has been disrupted by the COVID-19 pandemic and teaching must now be performed virtually, Shawna indicates that Get More Math has enabled her to easily review current and past math concepts with her students even at a distance.

One of the most compelling parts about Get More Math for Shawna is its ability to not only allow students to "skip" problems that they might be struggling with but actually force them back to those same skipped problems so that they don't miss an opportunity to practice skills they felt were initially difficult. For Shawna, Get More Math can be easily deployed in either an onsite teaching environment or a virtual environment without a problem.



About Get More Math

Get More Math provides a web-based and results-based math practice and long-term retention program for grades 3rd through high school math. With built-in printable & downloadable worksheets, cumulative exams (with formative and summative assessments), real-time data reports for teachers and administrators, and Clever SSO integration, Get More Math is FREE through the current school year for new schools, educational service centers (ESCs), afterschool programs, summer programs, and non-profit educational organizations.



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