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Our Mission:

The CRMC's mission is to improve math education for all students in our area by developing teacher leaders through deepening their content knowledge, developing best practices, and using available resources to improve student outcomes and experiences.



To do this, we must:

Provide quality teacher growth experiences through continuous collaboration - in and out of the classrooms - with a focus on teachers' needs in support of student growth.





DIRECTOR'S NOTES

by Peter Anderson

CRMC Director

One Good Thing...

I AM ONE OF THOSE PEOPLE.

I KEEP A GRATITUDE LIST. I TAKE A MOMENT ALMOST EVERY DAY AND WRITE DOWN AT LEAST ONE THING OF SOMETHING GOOD THAT HAS HAPPENED. I HAVE HEARD THIS REFERRED TO AS 'TOXIC POSITIVITY.' BUT SOMETHING DIFFERENT HAS HAPPENED TO ME. I HAVE DEVELOPED GRATITUDE FOR EVEN THE SMALLEST OF THINGS.

IN A COMPETITION THE OTHER DAY, I WAS LOSING BADLY. I TOOK A MOMENT TO BE THANKFUL FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO SEE IF I COULD WORK OUT OF THIS LOSS. I LOST THE MATCH, BUT I SHARPENED MY ABILITY TO FOCUS ON WHAT WAS IN FRONT OF ME. THE GAME GOT A LOT CLOSER THAN IT STARTED, AND FOR A MOMENT, I HAD A CHANCE TO WIN.

THIS LIST OF GOOD THINGS DID NOT GROW OUT OF MY DESIRE TO FEEL BETTER. ACTUALLY, IT GREW OUT OF A PERIOD IN MY LIFE WHEN I WAS LOSING SOMEONE VERY CLOSE TO ME AND REALIZED THAT THERE WASN'T A WHOLE LOT I COULD DO ABOUT IT. IT SUCKED. FORGIVE THE EXPRESSION, BUT I BEGAN TO APPRECIATE EVEN THE SMALLEST MOMENTS. I HAVE CARRIED THE PRACTICE OF 'THE GOOD LIST' WITH ME. TO MAKE IT EASIER, I HAVE A GOOGLE DOC THAT HOLDS THE LIST (I KEEP A PAPER ONE TOO).

BELIEVE ME - I HAVE LOTS AND LOTS OF ROOM TO DO BETTER WITH THE PRACTICE OF GRATITUDE. I AM SHARING THIS WITH YOU BECAUSE IT IS A VALUABLE TOOL FOR TAKING CONTROL OF EVEN THE HARDEST OF TIMES.

WHILE READING ON TUESDAY AFTERNOON, I DISCOVERED A STORY IN THE PDK PUBLICATION KAPPAN. I WON'T SAY ANYTHING MORE ABOUT THIS STORY, BUT I ENCOURAGE YOU TO READ IT. AS A TEACHER, YOU FACE SOME OF THE MOST CHALLENGING SITUATIONS IMAGINABLE. THE APPROACH THIS TEACHER (REBECCA PETERSON) TAKES IN THE CLASSROOM CAN BE QUITE VALUABLE. HERE IS A LINK TO THE ARTICLE: [ONE GOOD THING, ONE DAY AT A TIME](https://www.kappanonline.org/one-good-thing-one-day-at-a-time), KAPPANONLINE.ORG.

FINALLY:

I ENCOURAGE YOU TO WRITE DOWN JUST ONE THING YOU APPRECIATE - RIGHT NOW.

NOW - SEE IF YOU CAN DO IT AGAIN TOMORROW.

HAPPY MATHS,

Pete

COOL TEACHER STUFF



Contributed by
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Resource Specialist,
Grades K-2



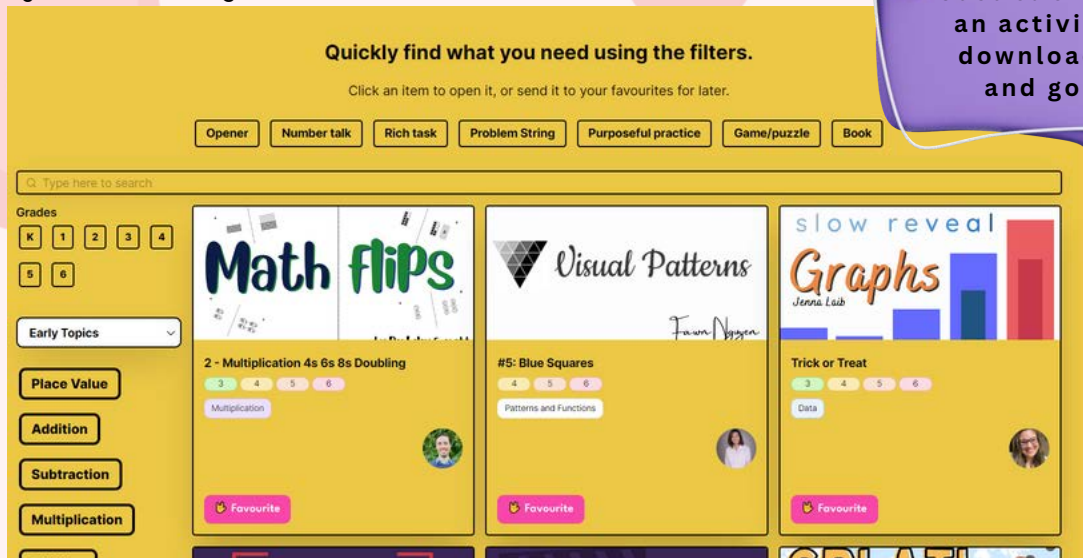
K-6 teachers, the Sembl website is for you!
Do you ever come to a math workshop and see all the great resources, but cannot remember all the names?

This website has taken all of those great resources and put them in one place!

While you are there, check out
[Steve Wyborney \(Estimation Clipboards\)](#),
[Graham Fletcher \(3 Act Math\)](#),
[Pam Harris \(Problem Strings\)](#),
and so many others!

Explore the math tasks by filtering by grade level and activity you are wanting to include the classroom.

Just click on an activity, download, and go!



Here's an example of Splat!
By Steve Wyborney





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CROSSING

The Chattahoochee



As educators, one of the most important things we can do is make learning relevant for students. This night challenges the perceived boundaries of Art, Mathematics, and History.

You will be challenged with the "why!"

You will be asked to create solutions for the "how!"

You will appreciate the Chattahoochee River for the force it is in creating the world we teach and walk in every day. We will provide light food and finish the night on the Chattahoochee River. Space is limited!

SEPTEMBER

28, 2023

5:30-7:30PM

IN PARTNERSHIP:



THE COLUMBUS
MUSEUM
columbusmuseum.com



ENTRY

FREE

(BUT REGISTRATION
IS REQUIRED)



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UPCOMING PROFESSIONAL LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES



From Calculators to Thinkers:
Meeting the Needs of the 21st Century Learner
by Problem Solving Through Math Standards
for mathematics teachers of Grades 3-5

Problem Solving Using Place Value - Adding and Subtracting

Explore

Teachers will receive just-in-time content ideas for teaching problem solving with place value, multiplication, and division.

You will experience research-based practical approaches to guide students' understanding through discovery, modeling, and the facilitation of mathematical connections.

September 27, 2023

8:30 AM to 3:00 PM

Frank Brown Hall, Classroom 1010

Contact Us

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🌐 <https://www.columbusstate.edu/crmc/events.php>

📋 Teacher Needs Survey



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UPCOMING PROFESSIONAL LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES



This workshop will focus on
6th and 7th grade mathematics. Unit 1.
from the Georgia Mathematics Curriculum:

Ratio & Proportional Reasoning



EXPLORE

- JUST-IN-TIME CONTENT FOR 6TH AND 7TH GRADES, UNIT 3
- EXPLORE RICH TASKS
- LEARN HOW TO MAKE CONTENT CONNECTIONS TO PREVIOUS CONCEPTS TO HELP STUDENTS ESTABLISH DEEPER UNDERSTANDING
- EXPLORE NEW TEACHING STRATEGIES THAT PROMOTE UNDERSTANDING - INSTEAD OF MEMORIZATION

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2023

8:30 AM - 3:00 PM
FRANK BROWN HALL
CLASSROOM 1010

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COMMUNITY EVENTS

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Brookstone School Math Tournament



BE
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BROOKSTONE SCHOOL

Thursday, November 9, 2023
8:30AM - 12:30PM

Brookstone Campus | For Grades 4-5

Each school may register one team of 6-8 participants. \$40 entry fee per school.

Snacks will be provided to students and sponsors.

Tournament will have a full team competition and a ciphering portion format. Top five teams will be recognized.

Deadline to register:
November 3, 2023

[Click here for the
Registration Form](#)

For more information,
contact Lisa Presley
(lpresley@
brookstoneschool.org)

Columbus State University Afterschool Enrichment Program is Hiring!

- ✓ Serving students K-12
- ✓ Open roles include site teachers, community enrichment instructors, and learning support professionals (ie, parapro or college students)
- ✓ [CLICK HERE for this job opportunity!](#)



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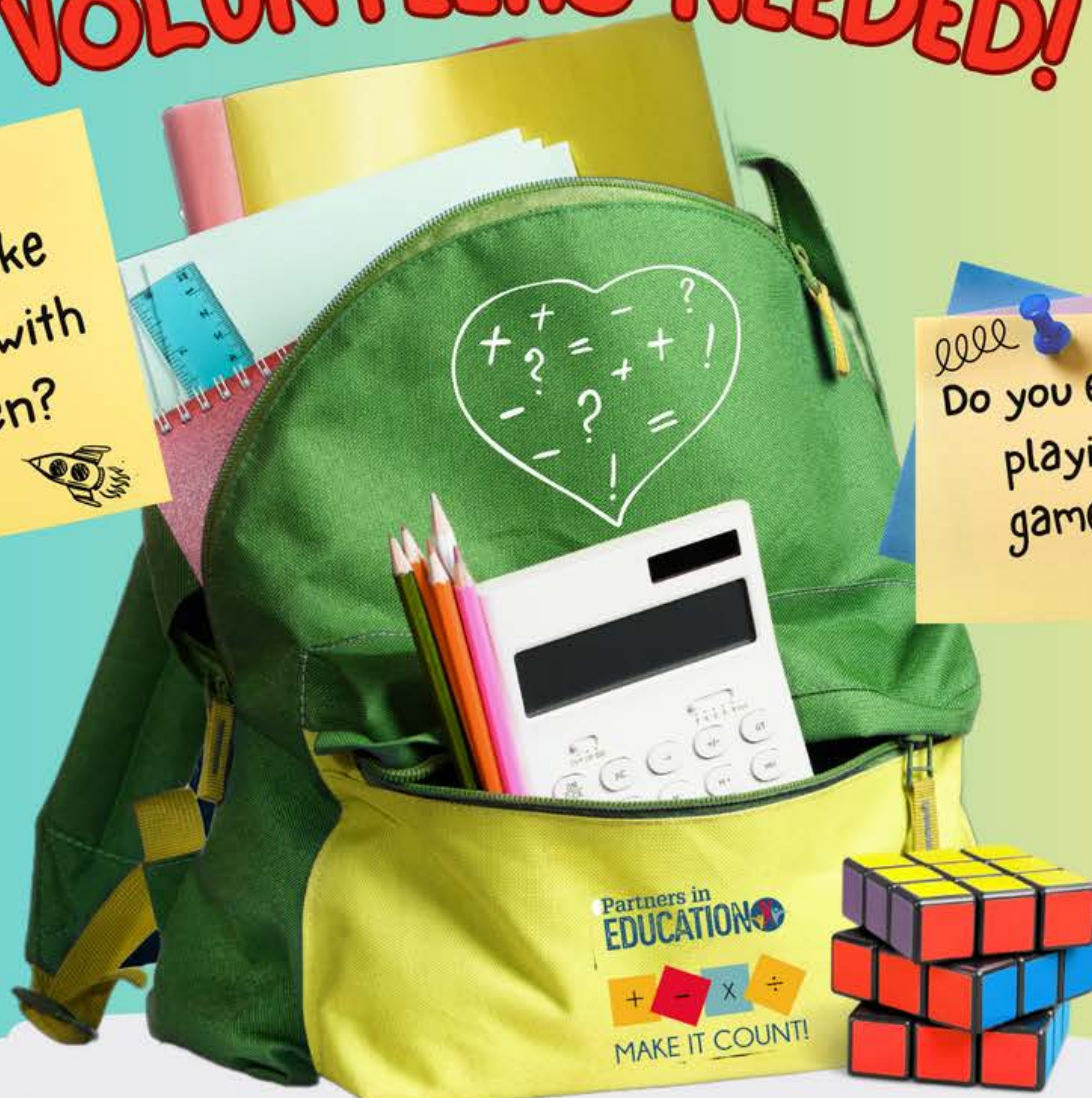


VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

★ Do you like working with children?



lllll Do you enjoy playing games?



We need people like you to help us
Make It Count! (2nd Grade)

SCAN
ME



Questions?

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Math Magic Going!
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