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ENGLISH DEPARTMENT ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Instituted, Managed and Trained teachers in Turnitin online writing program
 - Advocated and brought program to DPMHS
 - Trained English Dept. teachers and all staff in use of program
 - Educated School Staff Regarding Plagiarism Issues and Topics
 - Managed selection of essay writing vocabulary to be used across all disciplines

- Managed Hiring Process for Librarian/English Teachers
 - Recruited candidates, scheduled interviews and managed review process for more than six hired teachers during six year period
 - Supported and guided newly hired teachers informing them of English Department vision and goals, supported teachers communicating with administration and other faculty.
 - Provided teachers with necessary materials

- SpringBoard® Textbook Program
 - College Board SpringBoard® advocate, initiated adoption
 - Led English Department in Common Core implementation with text aligned to Common Core and Pre-AP® Curriculum during first year of Common Core implementation
 - Scheduled teacher training and managed conversations about requirements necessary for adoption
 - Supported teachers in learning about text and supporting software

- Created and Managed AP® Recommendation Process for Students in English Department
 - Increased parent and student knowledge about AP® Course requirements and philosophy
 - Promoted all access policy
 - Point of informational communication for teachers and student

- Implemented Preliminary Core Reading List Selections across all grades
 - Advocated for increase in novel resources

- Created "English Department Technology Introduction"
 - Allows English teachers to introduce fundamentals necessary to the use of technology not only for English Department and Turnitin but across all disciplines