

Case Study: Community High School District 117

Client Profile

Community High School District 117 (District) is located in Northern Lake County, Illinois. They have a rich history of serving students and were founded over 100 years ago in 1915. Initially, the district consisted of Antioch High School, which was established in 1915. As Lake County grew, they finished construction on Lakes Community High School in 2004.

Several years ago, the District was facing an issue with staffing and finding qualified teachers for both campuses. They faced transportation issues with teachers bouncing back and forth between campuses.

Once the District met with DYOPATH, they realized that a student could have the same educational experience whether in the physical classroom or in the remote classroom on the other campus. DYOPATH had the ability to solve their educational challenge by leveraging technology without sacrificing the student's educational experience. They were impressed with DYOPATH'S focus on student impact.



- About: Community High School District 117 serves four Lake County communities: Antioch, Lake Villa, Lindenhurst & Old Mill Creek. These communities have rich histories in Lake County and are located nearly halfway between Chicago and Milwaukee.
- Location: 1625 Deep Lake Road, Lake Villa, IL 60046Revenue Size:
- O Founded: 1915
- O Employee Size: Students: 4,000+

CHALLENGE

Staffing and transportation issues related to trying to share resources across campuses.

SOLUTION

DYOPATH set up virtual classrooms (aka distance learning solution) at both locations using Cisco WebEx Meetings, Cisco WebEx Rooms Kits, Cisco TelePresence Cameras, Cisco WebEx Boards, Installation Services and Professional Learning for teacher adoption.

BENEFITS

Lowered transportation cost by eliminating unnecessary travel between campuses.

"A conversation over coffee turned into a solution for our school."

Dr. James McKay, Ed.D, Superintendent



Executive Summary

DYOPATH provided a turnkey solution with hardware, software, installation and training. They set up Cisco WebEx Meetings, Cisco WebEx Rooms Kits, Cisco TelePresence Cameras, Cisco WebEx Boards, Installation Services and Professional Learning for teacher adoption. DYOPATH was focused on solving issues the District was facing to improve student learning and teaching, not just selling technology.

"More than just technology; it's knowing that DYOPATH is able to provide competent, skillful and up to date support for teachers as they engage in this new technology."

Dr. James McKay, Ed.D, Superintendent

The successful implementation of this project has led to the District being able to serve the students and teachers of the district with more class offerings. Also, with lowered transportation costs, DYOPATH gave back time to the students who previously had to travel between campuses to participate in class. This allowed for continued student growth by offering a unique high-level AP class.

Throughout the project implementation and even post go-live, DYOPATH provided a teacher resource, which put the District's teachers at ease and made an enormous difference. This helped progress the distance learning capabilities.

Future Plans

The District wants to continue to partner with DYOPATH on future endeavors. They understand that DYOPATH is not just a vendor, rather a true partner. DYOPATH is a true partner that listens, supports and helps their team to achieve their goals.

