



Doing the Things that Don't Come Easy

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I have a responsibility as a teacher to always be a learner myself—particularly in areas that might be hardest for me. Is there any better way to develop empathy for your students' perspective as learners—particularly struggling learners—than to still be a struggling learner yourself?

- David Freitag, [Why I Am Doing the World of Math](#)

I recently read David Freitag's [article](#), and I immediately made the connection between this article and Eduardo Briceño's TEDx Talk, [How to get better at the things you care about](#) that I shared with you two weeks ago.

Our commitment to learning, to doing the things that don't come easy, is the best way for us to grow ourselves and to demonstrate for our students what having a growth mindset really means.

What have you committed to learn and practice, and how are you making that visible to your students?

Please share through email and twitter and remember to include #FloridaMindset.

Best,

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Florida Continues to Lead the Nation in Advanced Placement Exams and Narrow the Achievement Gap

According to the Advanced Placement (AP) Data Report issued by the College Board, Florida ranks first in participation in the AP exams during high school and third in the nation for improvement over the last decade.

Governor Rick Scott said, "These results are proof that the investments we are making in education are preparing students to begin college and enter the workforce prepared to succeed. With the 'Fighting for Florida's Future' education budget, we once again increase funding at all levels to ensure Florida remains the best state in the world to live, work and receive an education."

Commissioner of Education said, "We are thrilled that Florida's students have once again demonstrated a strong commitment to academic success, and I am confident this is just the 'tip of the iceberg' for the graduating Class of 2016. Support from teachers and school administrators is integral to students on their education journey, and I thank them for the ongoing guidance and support they provide to help their students reach their full potential."

You can learn more [here](#).

SeaWorld Orlando Offers \$5,000 Scholarship to Florida Students

SeaWorld Orlando's Environmental Scholarship Program is now accepting applications from Florida high school seniors who share the organization's passion for protecting and preserving the natural world. If selected, students will receive a one-time award of \$5,000 to use at any college or university they plan to attend.

To learn more and to access the application, click [here](#).

Happy Holidays

Have a great spring break!

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