CASE STUDY

Destiny® Resource Management Solution™

VISION: The goal for Jurupa Unified School District was to increase savings by curtailing textbook loss and to reduce costly and time-consuming maintenance of the current catalog system. Additionally, Jurupa knew that a better system would boost teacher reliance on library resources to support standards-based teaching and promote textbook sharing across schools.

SOLUTION: The Destiny Resource Management Solution – a single, centralized system that would manage both library and textbook resources – implemented throughout Jurupa’s 24 schools, allowing the district to identify lost books, reap hardware savings and operate more efficiently.

RESULT: Destiny Resource Management Solution helped Jurupa identify more than $140,000 in lost books in the first three years and realize a hardware savings of $15,000 per year. Centralized barcoding frees hundreds of hours of site library staff time.

“Your library personnel used to use a lot of different systems to manage textbooks. It took a tremendous amount of work. We wanted library staff to focus more on the library and less on textbook management.”

– Paula Ford, Educational Technology Coordinator

Challenge
Jurupa Unified School District’s 24 schools were using a variety of site-based textbook management systems. As a result, they were unable to share data with each other or with district administration. Thousands of dollars in textbooks were lost. The district was already sold on the benefits of centralized library management but its older catalog system still required installation of client applications and workstation maintenance. Without dedicated technical staff for library management, upgrading the entire district sometimes took up to six months.
Solution
At Jurupa, media personnel were responsible for managing textbooks in addition to their regular library responsibilities. To streamline this management challenge, the District brought its library and textbook data together with Follett’s Destiny Resource Management Solution™. Combining Destiny Library Manager™ with Destiny Textbook Manager™ enabled the District to achieve many important benefits:

- Centralized access eliminates the need to maintain and upgrade servers and client applications at school sites.
- District-based textbook management frees library personnel from performing barcoding and manual record-keeping.
- Single database for library resources and textbooks improves recovery of lost books and fines.

Results
- Identified over $140,000 in lost textbooks and library books.
- Eliminated $15,000 in yearly site-based server costs, decreasing from 22 servers to two.
- Streamlined tracking of textbook and library book losses as students move from school to school.
- Destiny’s browser-based technology is much easier for students and teachers to learn and use.
- Destiny’s direct data exchange with the district’s student information system ensures Destiny data remains up-to-date and saves manual data entry time.
- Enabled precise management of nearly 250,000 district textbooks.
- Centralized barcoding at the district frees hundreds of hours of site library staff time.
- User-friendly interface encourages more students to conduct library searches through Destiny.

About Follett
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