



# IMPROVING LITERACY IN OUR SCHOOL

## BLENDED LEARNING RESOURCES

### What is Blended Learning?

Blended learning is integrating digital content as part of instructional framework. Driven by changes already happening at the higher education levels blended learning provides Einstein with a variety of ways to differentiate instruction. Blended learning allows us to specialize instruction, and provide teachers with data for instructional decision-making.



## RESOURCES AVAILABLE

### At Einstein Charter School:

- **Blending Learning Specialist** - Jared Fries is Einstein's Blending Learning Specialist and is a resource for all teachers and staff. Contact him at [jared\\_fries@einsteincharterschools.org](mailto:jared_fries@einsteincharterschools.org). Jared can assist you with ideas, lesson plans and signing up for online resources. He is based at the middle school campus.
- **Chief Academic Officer** - Dr. Anna Faye Caminita is Einstein's Chief Academic Officer and is also a resource for all teachers and staff. Contact Dr. Caminita at [anna\\_caminita@einsteincharter schools.org](mailto:anna_caminita@einsteincharter schools.org).

### Digital Resources (Online):

- **Achieve3000** - Achieve3000's online methodology for differentiated instruction provides engaging nonfiction content that supports core curriculum. Students can use it from home or public libraries to access specialized lessons. Teachers can post articles adapted to student achievement levels. (<https://portal.achieve3000.com/index>)
- **NEWSELA** - An online resource where students can learn about current and historical events through reading exercises. NEWSELA makes it easy for an entire class to read the same content, but at a level that's just right for each student. NEWSELA also includes text kits for teachers. ([newsela.com](http://newsela.com))
- **Edutopia** - An online resource that shares evidence and practitioner based strategies to empower educators to improve K-12 education. The Resource Round-Up in Blending Learning is a collection of articles and videos from the web. These resources can help teachers navigate the possibilities of blended learning. (<http://www.edutopia.org/blended-learning-resources>)
- **Independent Research** - Check out teacher tube and other resources and share in PLCs.