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# Olean City School District Case Study

Jillian Putnam is the Cattaraugus Allegany BOCES Staff Specialist/Curriculum Coordinator for the Olean City School District in New York. She collaborates with the administrative team to bring exciting and engaging learning opportunities to students and teachers.

“Freckle was brought to our administration team from teachers,” explained Jillian.

“Our third-grade teachers were the first group to start using Freckle. Then, it started to spread through word of mouth as other grade levels got on board. The teachers fell in love with the data and reporting, and they wanted to see what Freckle offered beyond the Free Edition.”

**2,182** Students



**4** Schools



Location  
Olean, NY



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# Discovering Freckle

## Personalized Learning

With so much unprompted support from teachers, Jillian knew that it was time for the district to take action.

Jillian said, “At that point, we knew as a district that we needed to explore what Freckle has to offer for our students, parents, teachers, and administrators.”

Jillian remarked. “It allows them to work at their independent learning level while challenging them with higher order thinking questions and problem-solving.”

This was especially important to the team at Olean City School District as they were looking for ways to meet the needs of all learners.

Jillian continued, “Our students were struggling with grade level material and we were exploring alternatives for individualized learning. Now, our teachers are starting to see those gaps get smaller because they are able to customize learning based on the Common Core Standards students are struggling with. Freckle focuses on what students need.”

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# Looking Forward

## District-Level Reports

Once multiple schools were benefitting from Freckle, it was important for their teachers and administrators to have access to valuable data.

“I can easily print reports for our principals and admin council,” Jillian stated. “This shows which teachers are using Freckle, how often they’re getting their students on it, how many questions their kids are answering, and then I can also dive into a specific teacher’s or student’s report if needed.”

## World-Class Support

“One of Freckle’s biggest strengths is their level of communication with districts.” Jillian continued, “I have three different contacts at Freckle and they’re great resources. If we have any issues or concerns they are quick to respond.”

“We’re excited that the communication has really been there. And anytime we have a suggestion Freckle takes it and runs with it.”

**We’re so proud to have the Olean City School District  
as a part of the Freckle family!**

