



## **Case Study**

## Montgomery County Educational Service Center, Ohio

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Located in Dayton, Ohio, Montgomery County Education Service Center (MCESC) works to support 16 school districts and over 90 educational entities. Providing students with an attainable vision for their own unique future is the driving force behind Montgomery County Education Service Center's (MCESC) work to support 16 school districts and over 90 educational entities in Ohio. Through cutting-edge support in social-emotional learning, innovative instructional programming, and direct classroom services that prepare students for their futures, MCESC is a nationally recognized educational agency paving the way for the future of education.

When Find Your Grind and the leadership team from MCESC first connected, it was clear that both organizations' mission, vision, and values were dramatically aligned. It was not a question of *if* there was a partnership opportunity; there was only a question of how big of a partnership and positive impact on students they could have together.

Learn how Shannon Cox, a passionate educator, shapes the future for her students.

"I want students to close their eyes and envision themselves in the future and not just answer the question, 'What do I want to be when I grow up?' but be able to answer the question, 'What kind of quality of life do I want to have when I grow up?' Find Your Grind supports our opportunity to build a future-self vision for our students by providing a real-world curriculum and real people for real students."

Shannon Cox, Superintendent, Montgomery
County Educational Service Center

Please share your teaching title and provide your vision of education.

**Shannon:** My name is Shannon Cox and I'm a superintendent at Montgomery County Educational Service Center. Our vision of education here at MCESC is that we provide a future self-vision that's attainable for every student. We want to make sure that they close their eyes and they envision themselves in the future and not just answer the question, 'What do I want to be when I grow up?' but really be able to answer the question, 'What quality of life do I want to have when I grow up?' and we have to make sure that we can really provide them an opportunity even at a young age to know what their future opportunities truly are.

## How does Find Your Grind enable you to support your students?

**Shannon:** Find Your Grind supports our opportunities to build a future self for students and their vision of what their life can look like in the future by providing a real-world curriculum represented by real people for real students. It helps match the interests and aptitudes of what kids have and what their opportunities for future success can be.

## What sets Find Your Grind apart from other EdTech providers?

**Shannon:** The thing that stands out most about Find Your Grind is the fact that it's always changing for the better, always adding more content, adding mentors that meet the needs of students. Find Your Grind is not afraid to take risks. It's not afraid to say hey, we need to do better here or grow more here or this didn't work. And so we're gonna refocus and pivot. It's really been a personalized experience on a company and organizational level.



Would you recommend Find Your Grind to other educational leaders?

**Shannon:** I absolutely would recommend Find Your Grind to other educational leaders. Every educational institution has to find curriculum products and services that fit the needs of their community. I think there's something that every typology of school can find that would fit their needs with Find Your Grind.

Watch full interviews with Shannon and other MCESC educators: <u>https://resources.findyourgrind.com/future-rea</u> <u>dy-educators-videos</u>

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