

Math: The Bridge to Success

Polk State College's Quality Enhancement Plan

January 2011 Newsletter

Thank you to everyone who worked so diligently to develop Polk State College's Quality Enhancement Plan. Now it is time to implement it! I am thrilled to be working with colleagues, who, like me, want to see Intermediate Algebra become a **gateway** rather than a **gatekeeper** course for students. For updates on the QEP, visit the QEP web page www.polk.edu/qep. - Kaye



Kaye Betz
QEP Director

Meet the Professors

The following mathematics professors are participating in the QEP this term:

Winter Haven and JDA Professors



Roger Aleman



Joyce Lee



Paul Pletcher



Cindy Scofield

Lakeland Professors



Richard Decker



Lorne Fairbairn



Steve Frye



Richard Leedy



Penny Morris

Meet the QEP Campus Liaisons



Lynda Wolverton
Lakeland Campus



Becky Pugh
Winter Haven Campus

Professional Development Day

At the Professional Development Day on March 4, there will be a QEP track which includes a presentation on constructing a learner-centered syllabus.



Lunch and Learn



Please join us for lunch and a short presentation along with discussion. The next Lunch and Learn is:

That Book Costs How Much?!?!

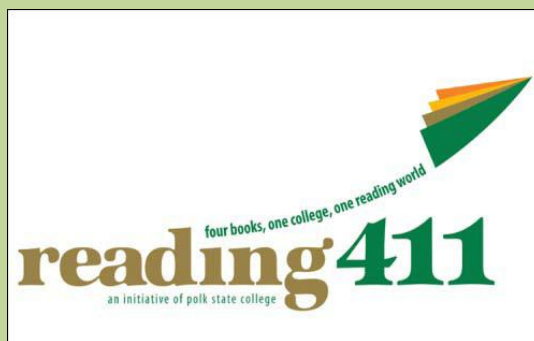
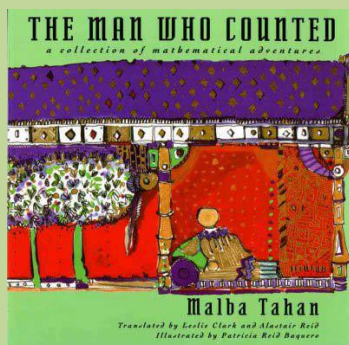
Show your students how to get their money's worth by actively engaging with their textbooks.

Presenters Kim Thomas and Rebecka Sare

Winter Haven: February 15, 1:30-2:45 p.m., WST 127

Lakeland: February 16, 1:30-2:45 p.m., TBA

4-1-1 and the QEP



The Man who Counted: A Collection of Mathematical Adventures

By: Malba Tahan

Here's a delightful little book that combines the joys of mathematical recreation with some fine storytelling. It follows the Arabian adventures of a man with remarkable mathematical skills, which he uses to settle conflict and give wise advice. The tales of his travels include the solving of mathematical puzzles and sharing insights from the minds of some of history's great mathematicians. Year: 1994; Pages: 244

To obtain a copy of this book and participate in the 4-1-1 reading program, e-mail Courtlann Thomas:

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