

# Blended Better on Buzz

**Blended learning** doesn't mean just getting "technology" into classrooms.

True blended learning personalizes each student's learning experience by meaningfully integrating supervised, face-to-face instruction with online instruction in which students have some control over time, place, path, and/or pace.

Heather Staker—who, along with Michael B. Horn, literally wrote the book on the model—champions blended learning as the best way to:

- Improve academic achievement
- Give students agency and control
- Free up teachers to help individuals
- Eliminate wasteful screen time
- Design motivating, joyful classrooms



## Get Ready to Blend with Heather Staker

The best way to understand how to design a blended classroom and the benefits of doing so is by experiencing one. [Blended Learning Live](#) provides that experience!

**Blended Learning Live** is Heather Staker's 2-day immersive experience based on her book **Blended: Using Disruptive Innovation to Improve Schools**.

Participants leave with:

- First-hand experience with Flipped Classroom, Station Rotation, Individual Rotation, Flex, Socratic discussion, project-based learning, plus four other models.
- Personal understanding of how student-centered learning feels.

- Their own strategic plan for blended learning at their school.
- Experience using a cutting-edge learning platform designed to facilitate effective blended learning: [Agilix Buzz](#).

## Buzz's 5 blended learning solutions

A blended learning model should make the most of all the tools educators have to build a scalable, personalized learning experience in which students have some control (and teachers aren't crazily overworked).

In practice, however, this is not easily achieved. Discrepancies in technical literacy, lack of seamless tool integration, stagnant and/or non-intuitive user experiences, and difficulty in merging face-to-face instruction with the virtual experience in productive ways are some of the common challenges in taking full advantage of a blended learning environment.

Simply throwing “technology” into mix will never overcome these hurdles, alone. We need the right technology and the right implementation. Enter Agilix Buzz.

### Use Buzz to:

#### **1. Personalize learning**

Buzz provides classroom and data management tools to free up teacher time, and tools that directly facilitate personalization.

#### **2. Provide opportunities to blend collaborative and independent efforts**

Buzz helps you personalize learning without eliminating the opportunity for students to work together.

#### **3. Give students choice, accountability, and the power to explore**

Buzz opens opportunities for authentic choice and exploration without disrupting your ability to use fair, manageable grading practices.

#### **4. Provide various forms of feedback and opportunities for reflection**

Buzz provides opportunities for personal and immediate feedback, rewarding achievements, positive reinforcement, peer review, and personal reflection for students.

#### **5. Help the teaching process, not hinder it**

Buzz provides a user-friendly, dynamic experience in which its tools and features support continuity between online and real-world instruction and classroom management. It integrates with other major learning tools and is connected to an active community of users and technical support who are dedicated to making your blended experience the best it can be.