

#### Features & Functionality Webinar Series

A/B Testing

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### The Challenge with Email With so many messages, how to break thru?

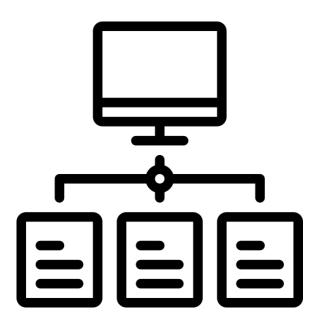
- Email is still the dominant platform
- 59% of companies A/B test emails
- At Microsoft, ~80% of updates started as A/B tests.
- Your Habits Because it's the weekend, do you stop reading email?



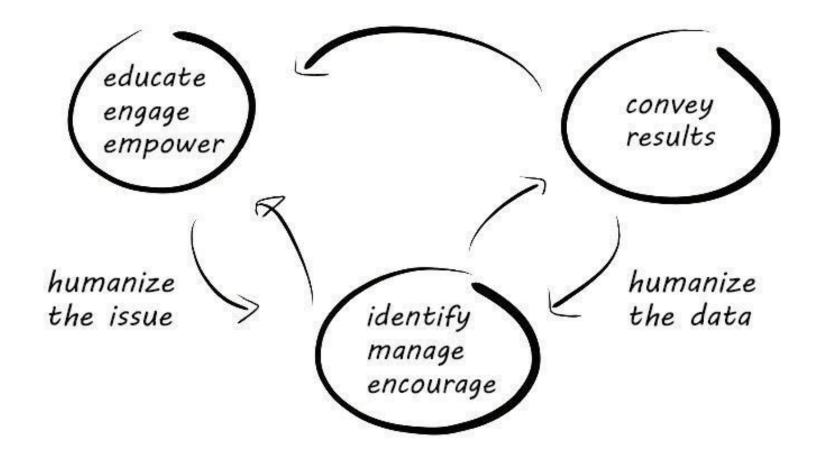
316 billion emails are expected to be sent daily by 2021.

### Honing Your Advocacy Messaging OR – How do I send emails that people will open?

- What if the message delivered to the majority of recipients was already tested?
- Test emails with your stakeholders and send the more effective message
- Let the platform do the work for you with A/B testing



## Honing Your Advocacy Messaging What is Effective Advocacy?



## Honing Your Advocacy Messaging The Advantages of A/B Testing

- Let the data dictate your next move
- Get to know your stakeholders
- Get smarter with your messaging
- Reap the rewards as the system does the work for you

5min

5 minutes – The average extra time admins have spent creating an A/B test

### **Getting Started** *Identify your variable and set up the test - it's that easy!*

- Possible Variables: Sender Name & Email Subject Line
- Set Your Test Size: Adjust the size of your A & B test groups
- Time the Send: Set the timing of your message.

When time runs out, the system will send your winning message to the remainder of your list.



### What are the Best Practices? What to avoid – What to do instead

#### Don't Do This

Split Your List Into Small Groups Using a list of 20 people



Effective Tests on Larger Lists Think at least 500 – 1k people

Not Give Your Test Enough Time Setting the test to 1hr



Be Afraid to Test Sender Won't Make a Difference



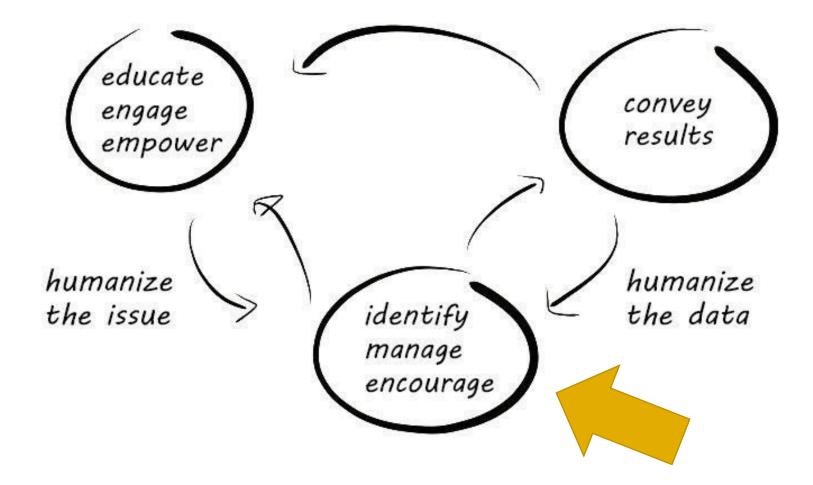
Use a Good Lead Time 2hrs+ for Opens, Better at 3 or 4hrs

Do This Instead

5 Minute Investment Could Mean a 10-20% Increase

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### The Challenges of Advocacy Messaging What is Effective Advocacy?



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### What's on Tap? What's Coming Next to Email

- A/B: Additional Testing Time, Content, Conversions
- **Predictive:** Selecting Recipients, What's Worked in Past
- Dashboard: Targeted Data on Dashboard

Imagine creating an email and being presented with the top 5 Subject lines that have worked for that group





# **Questions?**

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