Gliffen Google Ads Workshop

What is Google Adwords?

- Google Adwords is a PPC advertising platform that shows ads on search results, youtube, partner websites and mobile apps
- PPC means pay per click, which means that you do not pay unless your ad is clicked on.
 - With the only exception being for video ads which are charged by views or if you choose to bid display ads based on views for maximum exposure

Why use Google Adwords?

- The main reasons that Adwords is better than many other forms of advertising is you can see a very accurate picture of your ROI, especially if your business revolves around online orders or booking that have a distinct dollar amount. But also if your business relies on calls or contact forms you can track that as well and attribute a value to these actions.
- You Know how much your spending and can see the actions taken from your ads
- Reach the top of a search result that you typically would not reach otherwise
- Transparent, if your ads are not performing it is fairly easy to tell
- TARGETING Exclude and include your ideal demographics, locations, keywords, youtube channels, interests, when ads are shown, and more (parents, income, gender, etc.)

Breakdown:

Search:

- Sponsored search results that appear at the top of the page before organic results
- Can be customized to say whatever you would like, but relevancy plays a role in how your ad is ranked
- Your ad and keyword relevancy, combined with bid and landing page relevancy determine what position your ad will show
- Cost per click for search ads all depends on the market for your business
 - Niche markets tend to pay less per click where something common such as a plumber or lawyer will tend to pay more.
- There are extensions that if applied can appear under your ad depending on the relevancy of the search. These can be:
 - Sitelink extensions
 - Call extensions
 - Location extensions
 - Callout extensions

- And more but these are the basics

Display:

- Graphic image or animated ads that display on websites and mobile apps
- These ads come in a variety of different shapes and sizes but there are a few more common sizes that should typically be focused on
- It is best to use very specific targeting when it comes to display
 - You can choose select website and app placements (as long as they support google ads)
 - You can narrow your audience based on interest groups and audiences that google has pre determined based on things such as healthcare, outdoors activities, sports, various business sectors and more
 - You may also narrow by all of the demographic targeting mentioned previously

Video:

- Video ads can be shown either only on youtube or on both youtube and google partner sites and apps with video
- Ads can only show on videos that have been set to display ads (some videos opt out of showing ads)
- Targeting for video works the same as display with the exception of some Youtube capabilities:
 - You are able add or exclude specific video and channel placements
- Video ads through the adwords 'auction' can either be:
 - Skippable ads which can be as long as you'd like but the viewer can choose to skip after 5 seconds
 - Bumper ads that are a maximum of 6 seconds short but sweet
 - There are also un-skippable ads but these are not available via adwords

Remarketing:

- Designating an audience based upon various triggers. You can create an audience based on:
 - Anyone who has ever visited your site
 - duration of site visit (ex. 1min+ users)
 - Navigating to a specific page
 - Adding a product to cart/abandoned carts
 - Viewing your youtube video (or video ad)
 - And more
- Remarketing can be used for all of the different types of ads including search