Since launching their campaigns on StackAdapt, AdVenture Media Group has scaled their campaigns tremendously, intentionally moving budgets from other platforms to support their success. With the help of StackAdapt’s audiences, machine learning capabilities and support team, their partnership with StackAdapt has led to increased conversions in digital media campaigns, and it has enabled them to overcome obstacles in the digital media industry such as the blocking of Apple’s IDFA identifier and scalability.

We sat down with AdVenture Media Group’s COO, Patrick Gilbert, to learn more about his story and experience with StackAdapt.

Background

AdVenture Media Group is an award-winning agency that delivers digital advertising performance by solving complex problems with grit, creativity and at least a little bit of intelligence. They take a more holistic approach to paid acquisition, and work to solve larger business problems for their brands. AdVenture Media Group continues consulting with their clients about the most relevant and innovative strategies to reach their KPIs, and their partnership with StackAdapt has been instrumental in hitting those goals.

Machine Learning Saves The Day

As an agency that takes a holistic approach to digital advertising, it was imperative that AdVenture Media Group find a platform solution that was able to automate manual processes, such as campaign set-up and optimization, so they could have precious time back in their day to consult on larger-scale goals for their clients. After months of testing StackAdapt’s machine learning, AdVenture Media Group was able to have confidence in the platform’s technology and lean on its optimization intelligence, as well as StackAdapt’s support team. This level of trust in StackAdapt enabled the AdVenture Media Group team to take a step back from manual execution and assess larger business goals for their clients, moving the needle at a larger scale, and freeing them of the typical scrambling of day-to-day activities.

As an agency that is constantly evolving along with changes in the industry, AdVenture Media Group was looking for a paid acquisition solution that would enable them to use data and target audiences in a different way. They turned to the StackAdapt platform, with hopes of continuously driving effective advertising in terms of targeting, measurement and scale—even through industry changes such as the post iOS14 limitations. AdVenture Media Group quickly realized that their positive performance on StackAdapt was impacting the rest of their digital media campaigns, off-platform. Suddenly, their conversion rates for non-branded search traffic was rising from 1% to 1.15% and higher. These incremental gains were not only seen in their search results, but in social media platforms as well.

Summary

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Chief Operating Officer, AdVenture Media Group

It took me a little while to be open to the idea of testing out a new DSP like StackAdapt. At that point, I had formed my own opinion, saying all these DSPs are the same. Slowly but surely, I learned more about the platform and I realized that they are different.

StackAdapt is different from other DSPs that I’ve worked with in the past. The way I evaluate a new ad platform is with a checklist of items. If a platform doesn’t have all those things, we won’t use them…but StackAdapt made all that so simple.

Working with StackAdapt has saved us a ton of time as an agency, because we’re not worried about making placement buying decisions or how to allocate resources across 700 different campaigns. It became clear that the upper funnel traffic being driven from their StackAdapt campaigns was creating a halo effect throughout all of their digital media campaigns allowing net new audiences to filter through the funnel on multiple channels outside of programmatic.

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