

A Shockingly Interesting Session on Ethics

Shaping Future-Ready Schools



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Introductions



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What to Expect

1. **Experience a unique perspective** on the impact of ethical considerations in school design.
2. Help you face and **address the evolving challenges in educational architecture** with new tools and frameworks.
3. **Enjoy** the interactive experience.



The Why

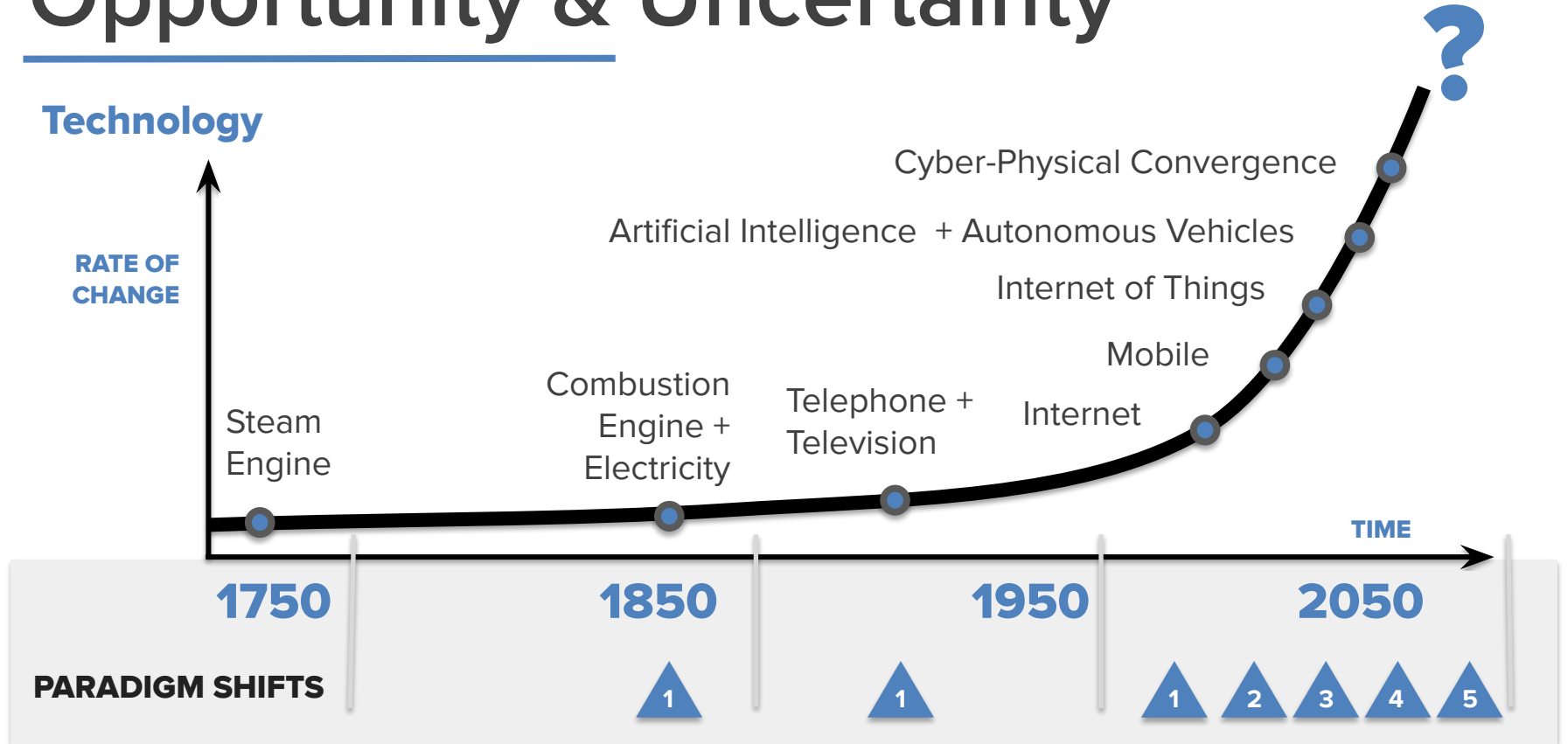


**The World is
Rapidly Changing**



**Educational
Systems are Stuck
in the Past**

Opportunity & Uncertainty



The New Paradigms

Post-COVID Realities

- + More technology than ever in students hands
- + Emerging inequity in digital experience
- + The social-emotional and academic demands on school continue to accelerate

Artificial Intelligence

- + Unprecedented changes to the ways we work and live
- + Deficits in training for adoption and effective use
- + Movement from knowledge domains to competencies and skills



Which Skills Are Growing in Demand?

Businesses' top 10 skill priorities for 2027



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| 1.  Analytical thinking | 6.  Curiosity and lifelong learning |
| 2.  Creative thinking | 7.  Technological literacy |
| 3.  AI and big data | 8.  Design and user experience |
| 4.  Leadership and social influence | 9.  Motivation and self-awareness |
| 5.  Resilience, flexibility and agility | 10.  Empathy and active listening |

Type of skill

-  Cognitive skills  Self-efficacy  Technology skills  Working with others



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In the US, the fastest-growing **in-demand skills** since November 2022 are:

Flexibility	+158%
Professional ethics	+120%
Social perceptiveness	+118%
Self-management	+83%



WHAT We Teach Must Evolve



Math



**Computational
Thinking**



**Computational
Modeling**

Literacy



**Multimodal
Literacy**



**Global
Communication**

Civics



**Digital
Citizenship**



**UN Sustainability
Goals**



HOW We Teach Must Evolve



**Group
Work**



**Problem-Based
Learning**

**Digital
Consumers**



**Digital
Creators**

**Knowledge
Acquisition**



**Purpose Driven
Expertise
Development**



Turn & Talk

**How do you see a
changing world
impacting the way we
design schools?**



Ethics Gallery Walk

8 Tough Questions

Around the room you see eight questions on poster board.

For a short time, you are going to have a chance to walk around and **respond individually to as many of the questions as you wish.** We will use your responses as a springboard into our first activity.



Exploratory Dive

Go to a question poster you'd like to explore deeper.
Introduce yourself to the group.



Exploratory Dive

Now that you're at a question, we want you to **explore it in more depth**, considering different perspectives. You will be **sharing your findings** with the larger group.

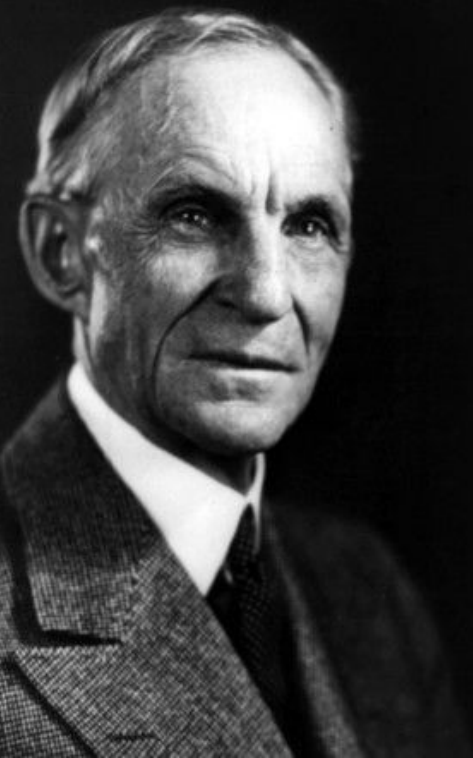
Feel free to use AI for inspiration.



Share Out




Expanding Mindsets



“ IF I HAD ASKED PEOPLE
WHAT THEY WANTED,
THEY WOULD HAVE SAID:
FASTER HORSES... ”

Henry Ford

A scenic view of a mountain range with a person standing on a peak. The sky is filled with soft, grey clouds, and the mountains are covered in green and brown vegetation. The overall tone is serene and contemplative.

If there is any one secret of success, it lies in the ability to get the other person's point of view and see things from that person's angle as well as from your own.

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Let's Explore

Form small groups around you.

Discuss what the two Ford quotes have to do designing future-ready schools.

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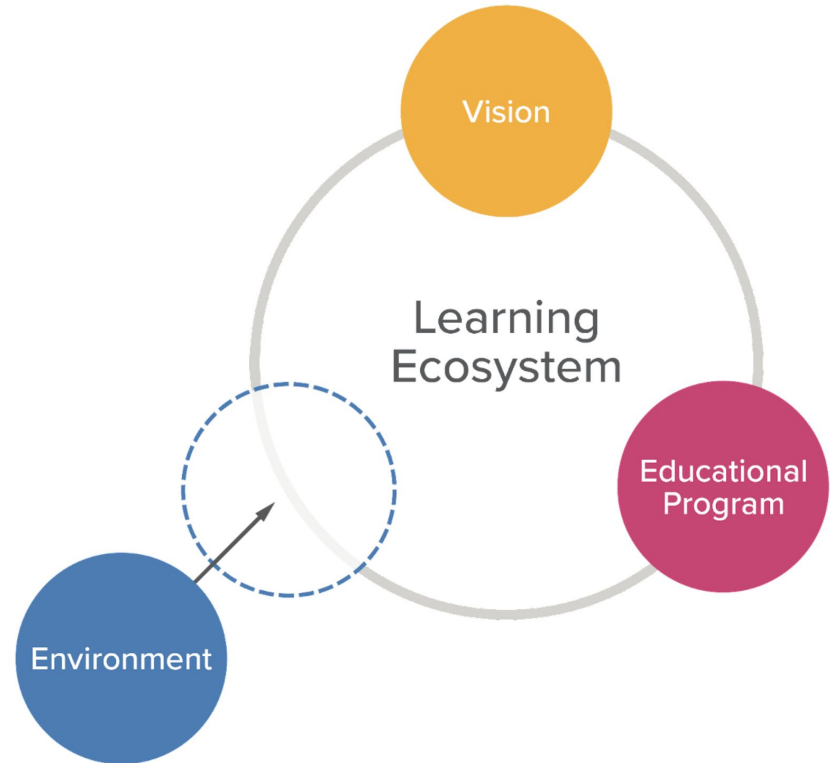


The How

An Aligned Ecosystem

Where a school's vision, educational program and physical environment are designed to strengthen and support one another.

It takes courage to accept where they are misalignments and take action to tackle the challenges those misalignments create.



VISION

A woman in a white shirt is standing and writing the word "Who?" on a large digital whiteboard. Two men are sitting at a table in the foreground, looking towards the whiteboard. The setting is a modern classroom or meeting room with a high ceiling, exposed pipes, and several large, white, cylindrical pendant lights. In the background, there are lockers and a hallway with a blue carpet and a red "EXIT" sign.

Vision describes your belief system including school mission, learner goals, ideal roles, and core values.

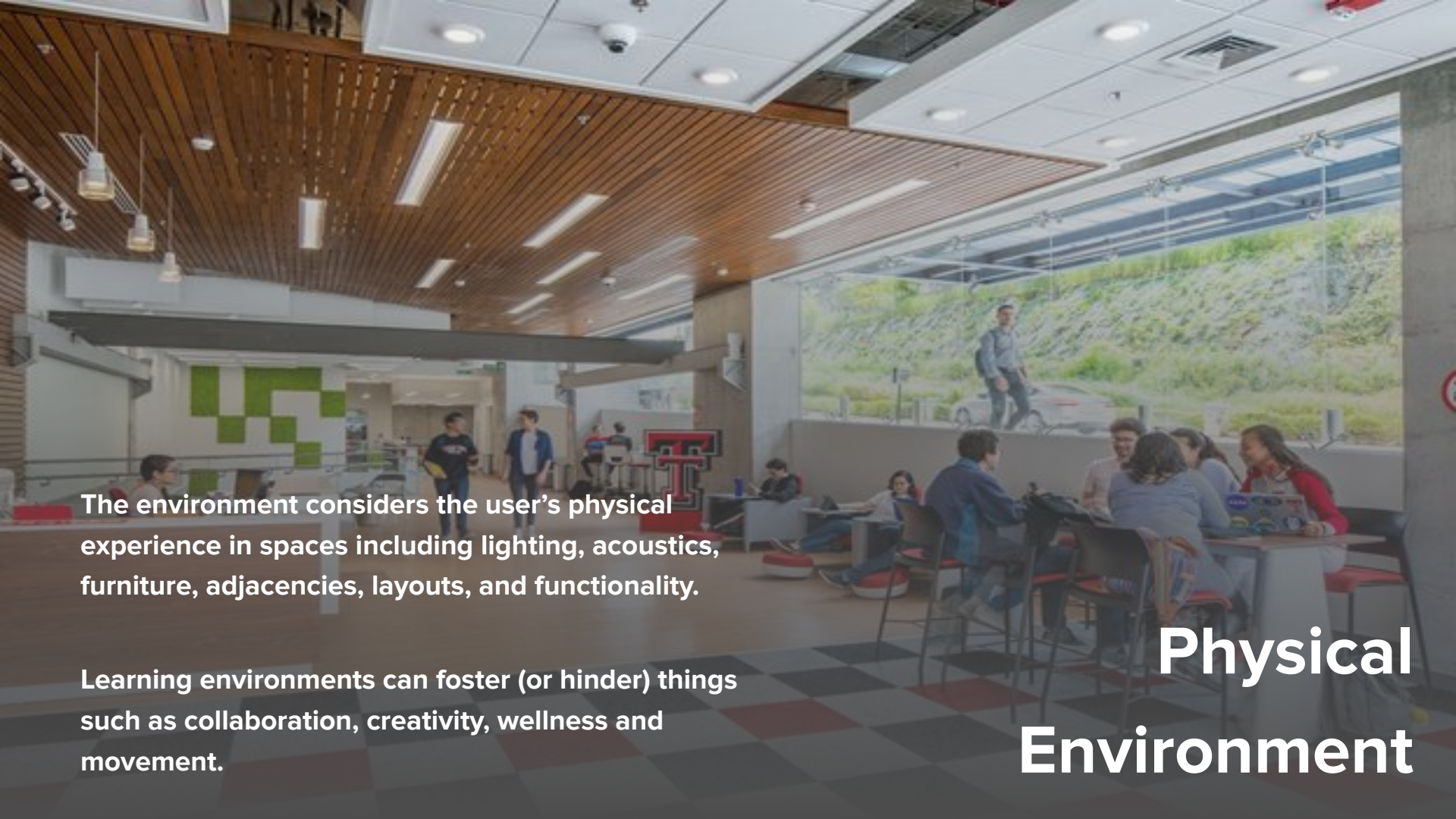
A living vision is collectively owned and should uniquely capture your local context.

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM



Educational program includes curriculum, pedagogy, and educational structures such as use of time and assessments.

An equitable education program adapts to the unique gifts, needs, and life experiences of every individual.

The image shows a bright, modern interior space, likely a library or student center. The ceiling is a prominent feature, made of horizontal wooden slats with recessed lighting. Large windows on the right side offer a view of a green, hilly outdoor area. In the foreground, a group of people is seated at a long table, engaged in conversation. In the background, other people are walking or sitting at different tables. The overall atmosphere is collaborative and open.

The environment considers the user's physical experience in spaces including lighting, acoustics, furniture, adjacencies, layouts, and functionality.

Learning environments can foster (or hinder) things such as collaboration, creativity, wellness and movement.

Physical Environment

Identifying Ecosystem Misalignments

“We want _____...”

...and yet we _____.”



Examples

We want to foster students' creativity and curiosity, and yet students only identify our art room as a creative space.

We want to disrupt the way we've always done things, but there's an undercurrent that keeps us risk averse.

We want interdisciplinary learning, and yet we are currently locked into siloed environments.



Client Role Play

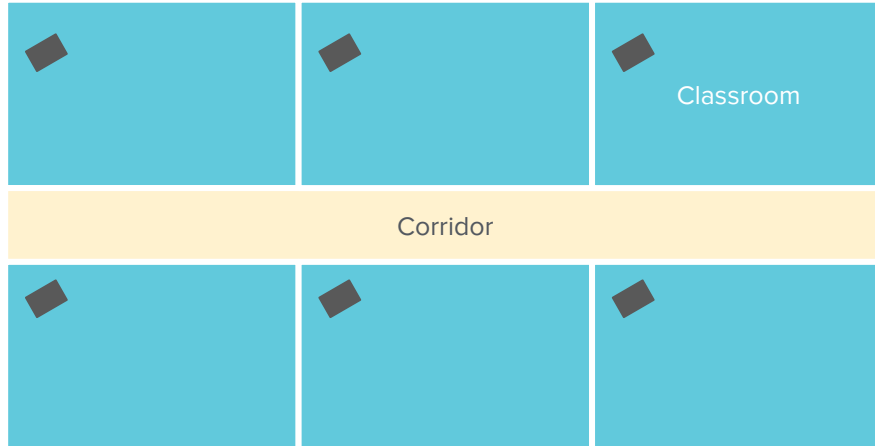
1. Imagine yourself as one of your clients
(Pick a real one or make one up as a mashup of all your clients)
2. Write down as many misalignments you would write from their perspective

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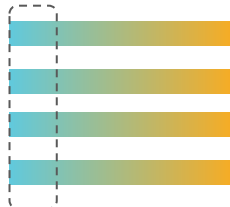


Classroom & Corridor



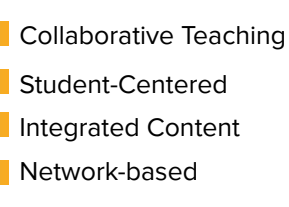
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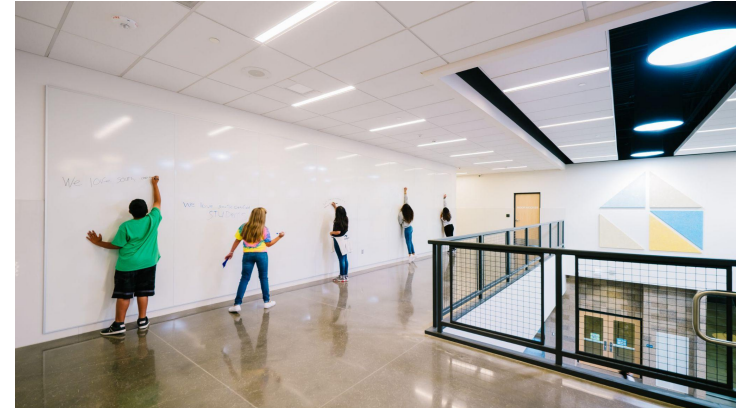
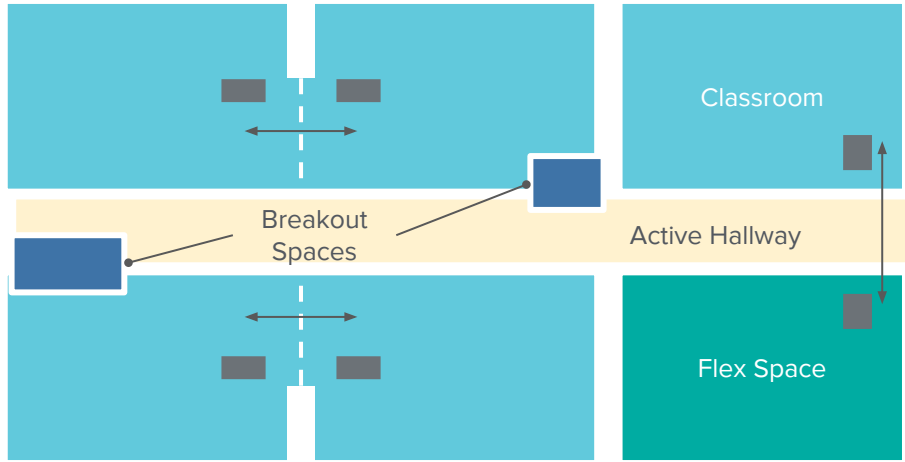


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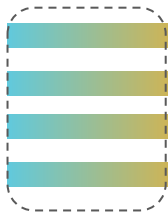


Classroom & Breakout Spaces



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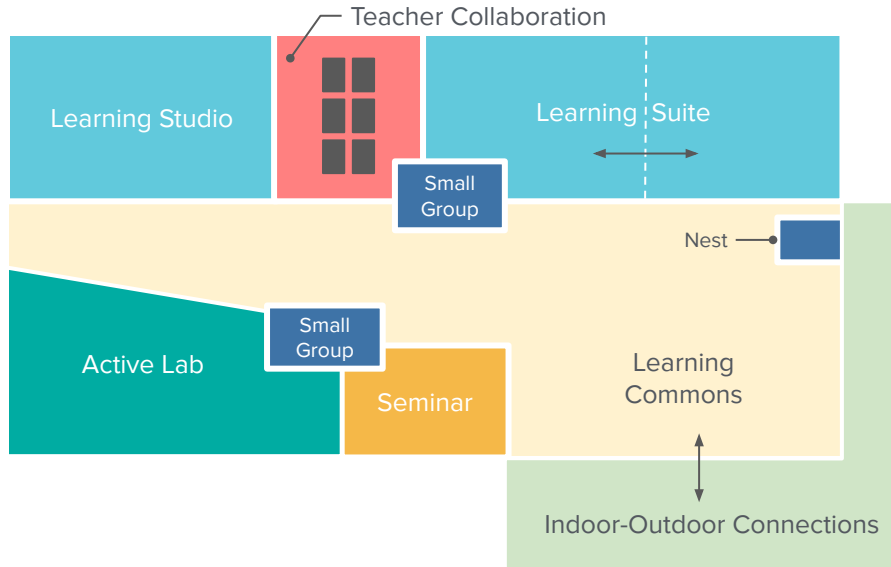


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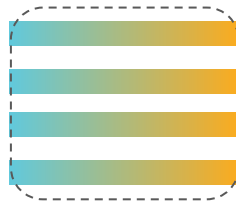


Learning Communities



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Fielding International's Spatial Paradigms for Schools

Conventional Paradigm

The school building operates as a series of segregated, fixed learning spaces

A classroom-based approach to learning

Corridors function as arteries to get from one place to another

School safety is mostly focused on building security

Outdoor spaces are primarily used for recess and sports

Institutional, static furniture & fixtures that tend to support lots of sitting and obedience

Good lighting and acoustics are seen as a luxury

The physical environment lacks a strong sense of local ethos, often isolated from the rest of the surrounding community

Thriving Paradigm

The school building operates as a fluid environment of connected, agile learning spaces

A community-based approach to learning

Circulation areas function as diverse learning spaces that foster connectivity and collaboration

School safety takes a holistic approach that addresses building security and each student's mental, physical & social-emotional health

Outdoor spaces are seen as essential places to learn, connect with nature, and engage in physical activity

Comfortable, diverse, and agile furniture & fixtures that tends to support more movement and choice

Good lighting (especially natural light throughout the school) and acoustics are prioritized

The physical environment embodies local values and context often aiming to become more of a whole community asset



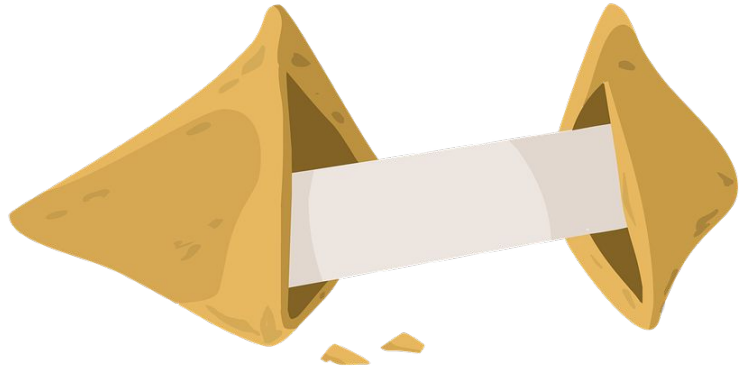


Reflect

Take Action | Make Your Own Fortune

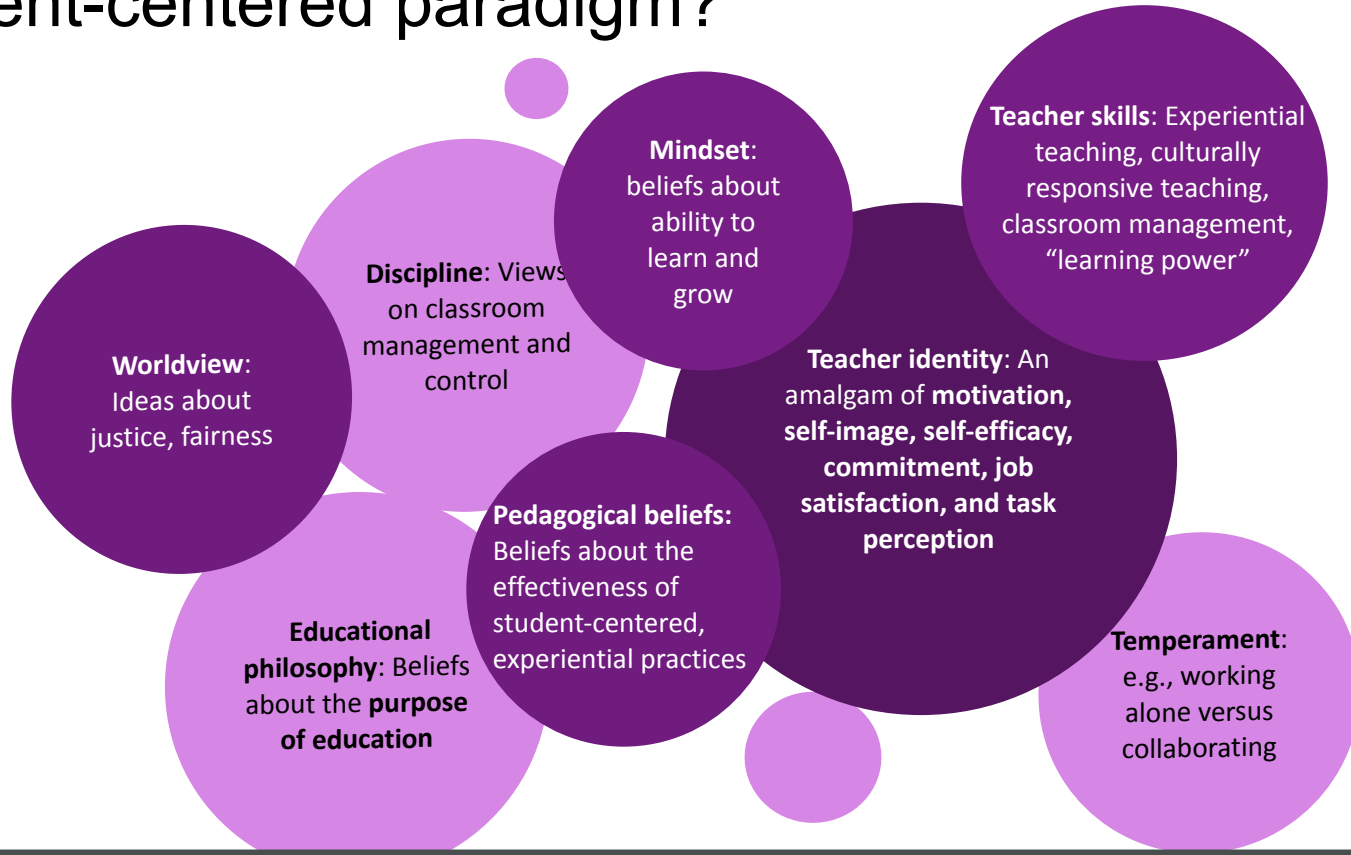
Based on what you've experienced today, write something that you can commit to doing.

"I will..."



Q&A

What does it mean for a teacher to be “ready” to teach in a school committed to the future of Teaching & Learning? In a student-centered paradigm?



What's Important Now?

Learning Agility

Learning & Unlearning,
Learning Styles

Uniquely Human Skills

Empathy,
Social Intelligence,
Creativity, etc.

Adaptability

Navigate Ambiguity,
Unstructured
Problems

Agency

Motivation,
Self Awareness,
Self-Efficacy

