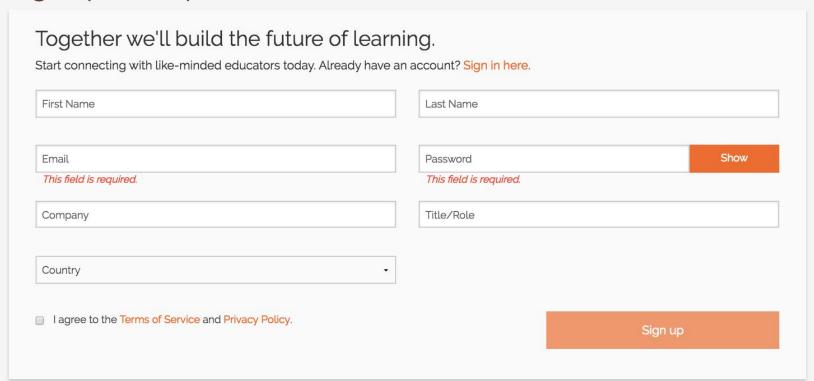
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# PD as Catalyst for Transformation

**WALK THE TALK!** 

**iNACOL Symposium 2018** 

October 24, 2018



# WELCOME!



A <u>koan</u> is a riddle or puzzle that Zen Buddhists use during meditation to help them unravel greater truths about the world and about themselves.



# what is the opposite of cheese



# Today's Objectives

- Introduce the idea of a <u>different</u>
   way of adult learning
- Have an authentic experience that can heighten empathy for this vein of adult learning
- Think differently about professional learning
- Begin to <u>assemble the key pieces</u>
   to walk the talk



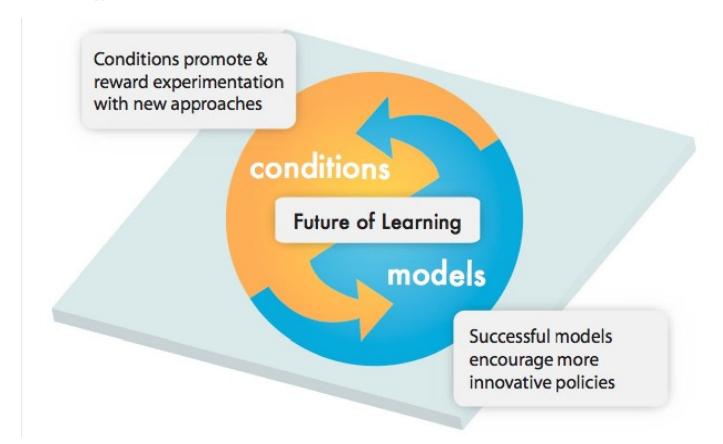
# Our Hypothesis

If we "walk the talk" and build professional learning to embody the type of learning we are aiming at for students (studentcentered, personalized, competency-based), we will drive transformation we seek.

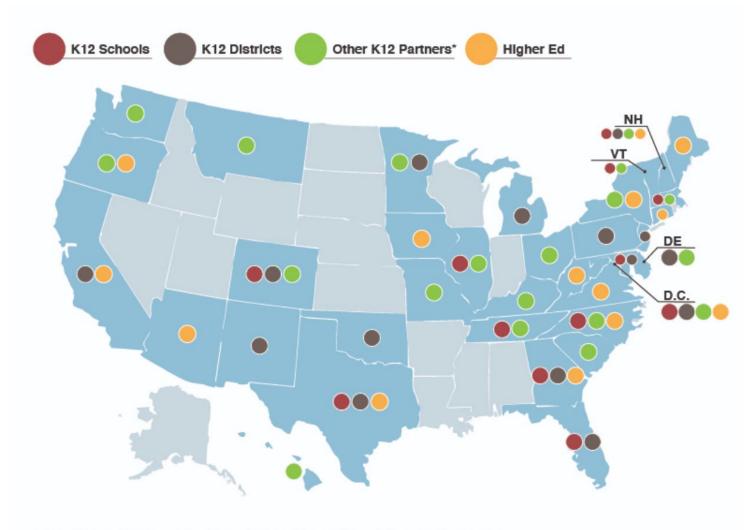


# 2Rev as Mission-driven Design Lab

2Rev designs and supports implementation of Future of Learning models and supports the systemic conditions within which they can thrive. **We are partners in transformation.** 



# 2Rev as Mission-driven Design Lab



<sup>\*</sup> State Education Agencies, Foundations, For-profit and Non-profit partners

#### 2Rev: What We Value

Continuum of learning vs fragmented, incoherent learning

Capacity building vs training

**Application around felt need** vs learning in isolation



#### **Dallas Independent School District**



- **156,832** students
  - ~44% English Language
     Learners
  - ~88% free and reduced-price lunch
- 234 schools
  - 10 wall-to-wall PL schools
  - o **11** emerging PL schools
  - 120 blended learning
- Sits in the heart of a urban, diverse and dynamic region
- 384 square miles across North Texas



# **Educator Learning Materials**

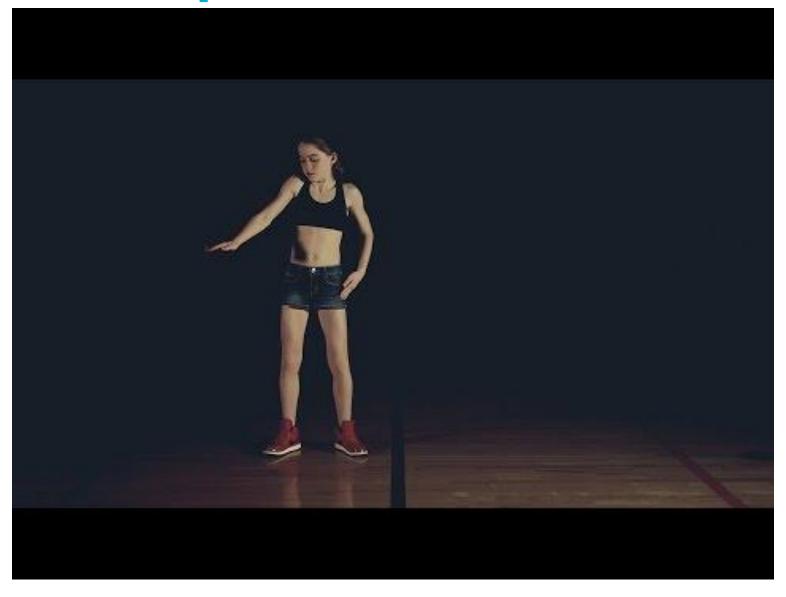




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# **Dubstep**



### **How Do You Learn? Activity**

#### "How You Learn" Activity

#### What was a skill you recently learned?







I learned how to ...

#### Sketch your learning process:

What resources did you use? What was effective? Why? What was less effective? Why?

I learned by...

#### "How You Learn" Activity



What skills and dispositions were required to learn this?

I had to be...

How did you know you had learned it successfully?
Would you rate yourself Novice? Proficient? Expert? How do you know?
What criteria did you use?

My evidence of learning was clear when...

How would you teach this to another person?

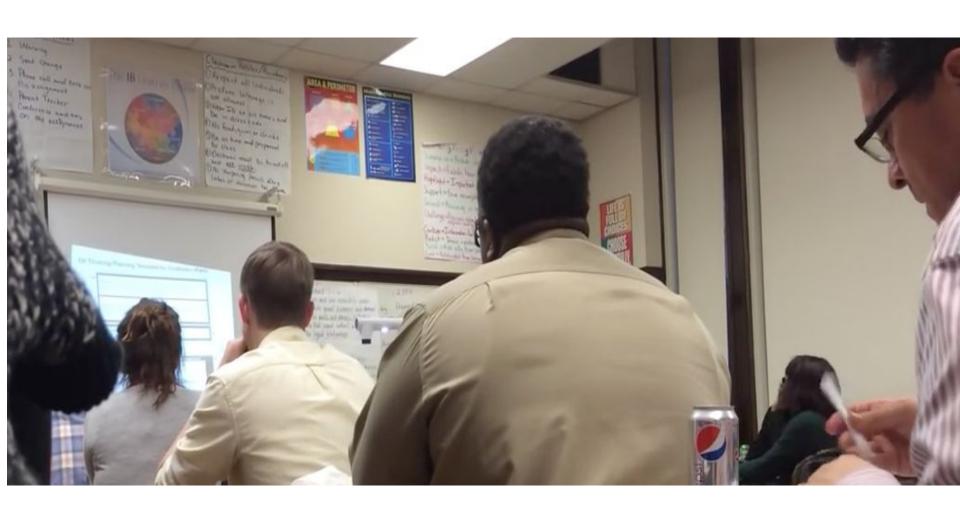
I realized that the best way to learn this is...



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What connections can we make between how you learned to what professional development should look like?





**Topic Tina** 

I have an interest in learning more about specific topics based on problems in my classroom.



Rogue Raquel

I don't have an identified need. I want some direction. I want to learn to improve my practice but I'm not really motivated.



District-driven
Darrell

My district has adopted a new approach and I want to learn more.

### **Pair-Share**

1. Think back to one of the <u>most meaningful</u> learning/professional developmental experiences you've engaged in as an educator. Note in the first experience map what you were thinking, feeling, saying, and doing during that experience.

2. Now think back to one of the <u>least meaningful</u> learning/professional developmental experiences you've been part of as an educator. Note in the second experience map what you were thinking, feeling, saying, and doing during that experience.

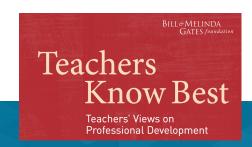
# RETHINKING PROFESSIONAL LEARNING

...because training our current and future teaching force is one of the biggest drivers to student achievement.

Research is building around the fact that our current system of training is very expensive and not yielding the outcomes we need, let alone in preparing our workforce for a competency-based, personalized learning system for kids.









### What We're Investing

#### **MONEY**

In 2014, approximately USD \$8B/year was spent on professional development in the 50 largest districts within the US alone (TNTP, 2015). Estimates range, but some put the annual costs of K-12 professional learning in the US at USD \$18B/year (BCG).

#### TIME

~19 school days on PD activities = ~10% of the school year
 (TNTP)

### The Results: Efficacy

Evaluation of 7 in 10 teachers remaining stagnant or declined in past 2-3 years.

For many teachers, professional growth tends to plateau after only the fifth year of teaching; in fact, the difference in evaluation ratings between an average first-year teacher and an average fifth-year teacher was more than nine times the difference between a teacher in her fifth year and a teacher in his twentieth (TNTP, 2015).

# The Results: Teacher Satisfaction and Retention

Only 29 percent of teachers surveyed were highly satisfied with current professional development offerings, and only 34 percent felt the system of professional development has improved over past iterations (BCG, 2014)

When teachers feel that they have opportunities for growth, their sense of efficacy and competency increases, making them more motivated to remain in their current position (Huang & Cho, 2010).

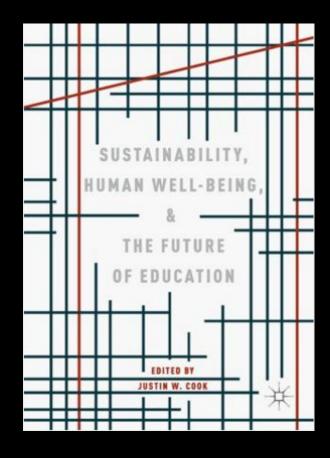
# The Results: Teacher Voice and Choice

Fewer than one in three teachers can choose most or all of their professional learning opportunities, while nearly one in five teachers never have any say in their professional development (BCG, 2014)

# The Results: Professional Collaboration

Over half of all American teachers have never observed a colleague's teaching (OECD, 2014).

### To Learn More:



Read our chapter on the **Future of Educator Learning** in this new book published by Palgrave Macmillan 2018.

Available for free download here-

https://www.palgrave.com/gp/book/9783319785790#about

**Book** 



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# Professional Development: Next

Assumptions		
About	Pedagogical	Andragogical
Concept of the learner	Dependent personality	Increasingly self-directed
Role of learner's experience	To be built on more than used as a resource	A rich resource for learning by self and others
Readiness to learn	Uniform by age-level & curriculum	Develops from life tasks & problems
Orientation to learning	Subject-centered	Task- or problem-centered
Motivation	By external rewards and punishment	By internal incentives curiosity

### Where Do You Want to Go?

What characteristics would you use to describe your vision for professional learning for your educators?

# Next Gen Prof'l Learning: Where are we starting from?

NGPL design, like NGL, differs from traditional learning models because its central element is process, not content—or, more to the point, a range of processes. Agency-fueled, authentic, experiential learning —process—leads to a different mindset towards learning, which fosters meaningful absorption of content.



# Next Gen Prof'l Learning: What are we heading towards?

#### Process drives mindset drives content.

For all learners – students and teachers alike – the processes and the mindsets of enduring, high-quality learning are the same. The content differs, and is crucial to providing foundations and pathways for learning experiences; but powerful, personalized learning begins with engagement in *processes* that drive the *mindsets* that enable absorption of *content*.



NEXT GEN LEARNING

#### Process

Personalized, competency-based, experiential, discovery, embedded, authentic

#### Mindset

"I am learning with purpose."

#### Content

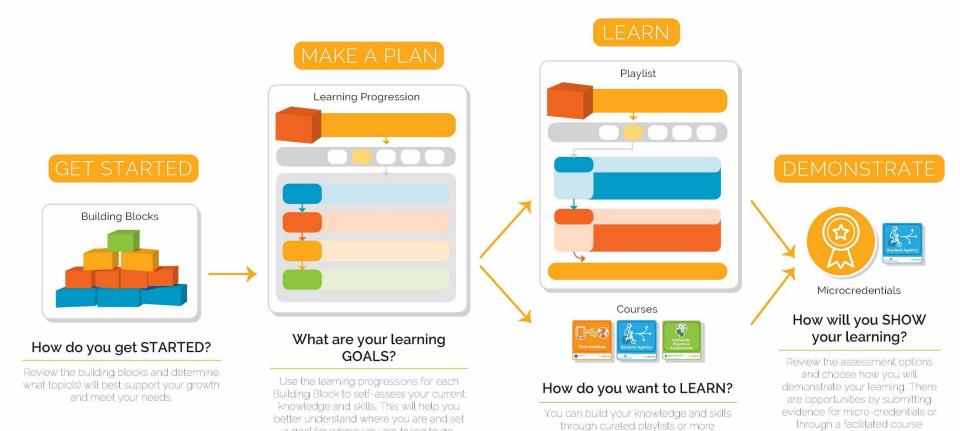
Richer/deeper definitions of student success (+ for teachers: NGL instructional & assessment practices)

### Content





#### **HOW LEARNERS ENGAGE**



scaffolded course modules.

a goal for where you are trying to go.

experience for graduate credit.

### **Values**

#### **Design Principles**



1. Learner-driven: Flexible, Relevant, Active



2. Personalized: Personal, Choice-based, Learning-oriented



3. Competency-based: Transparent, Differentiated, Improvement-oriented



**4.Tech-enabled:** Debugged, Navigable, Well-designed



5. Backwards designed: Coherent, Aligned, Applied

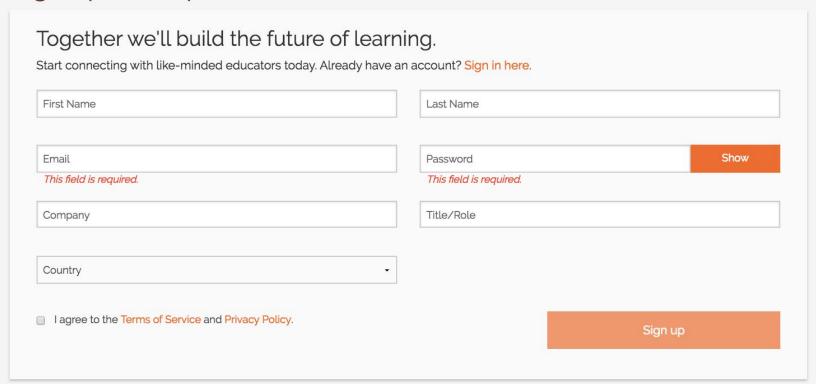


6. Engaging: Accessible, Interactive, Thought-provoking, Timely



7. Supportive: Clear, Consistent, Multimodal, Scaffolded

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# Play the Game: Context

- Goal is to optimize PD based on what you're dealt;
   and in later rounds, build your ideal PD
- For today, you use the scenario as the context; then you select your desired content, process, mindset cards as ways to realize the ideal PD
- Be prepared to present your ideal PD to another group- our scenario was X; here is our PD...

# Play the Game

- Your group picks a <u>scenario card</u>
- Players get dealt <u>1 content card</u> and <u>1 process card</u>
   randomly
- Groups develop a professional development design based on what they received (you have 3 mins); choose or create a desired mindset card
- Players take a <u>challenge card</u> randomly; need to adapt scenario (2 mins)

# It's Time to Rethink PD!

How could your school, district, or organization use \$10K to transform professional learning using the Learn Next resources?

Submit a brief application by December to be considered!



# IT'S TIME TO RETHINK PD!

Learn Next Request for Learning (RFL)

#### WHAT is the opportunity?

We invite you to rethink professional development. What would it look like if we transformed the traditional stand and deliver model into something much more flexible, engaging, and effective? A group of educational thought leaders from around the country has developed the Learn Next free and open resources. We are looking for innovators ready to use these resources to transform professional learning.

The Learn Next effort will support micro-grants of up to \$10,000. The grants begin in January 2019 and extend through August 2019.

#### WHO is involved?

This work is developed and managed by 2Revolutions with nogonic leadership from key partners at the Center for Collaborative Education, Digital Promise, EdSurge, Highlander Institute, High Teoh High, Institute for Personalized Learning, Jobs for the Future, Learning Forward, Next Generation Learning Challenges, reDesign, and The Learning Accelerator.

#### WHAT is the need?

If we want students to be prepared to drive their own learning, we must provide educators with professional development that models the personalized and competency based experiences we seek for students. Despite significant investments in professional development, there have been limited returns in teacher effectiveness! We need a new paradigm of professional learning: one that better leverages educator ownership and agency.

#### **HOW** can we apply?

Submit a 2-3 page plan for why you are seeking to innovate AND how you would use the grant funds to rethink professional development using the Learn Next resources. The following pages in this document provide more guidance about the information to include in your plan. Applications are due December 10, 2018. If you intend to submit an application, reach out to meaghan@2revolutions.net so we can allocate appropriate surports.

\*Rubin A., Brown A. (2019) Unlocking the Future of Learning by Redesigning Educator Learning. In: Cook J. (eds) Sustainability, Human Well-Being, and the Future of Education. Palgrave Macmillan. Cham. Retrieved from https://linkspringer.com/-beak/sn.org/7881\_241.98861









If the strengths, needs, and interests of no two students are exactly alike, how do we construct learning models to pursue the individual student?





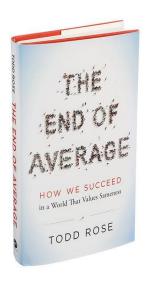




### **WARM UP**

July 31st, 8:30-11:30AM

Teachers begin the games by starting with the **why** and **what** for personalized learning. During this intro session, they'll warm up with blended learning as one of the first paths to personalization.



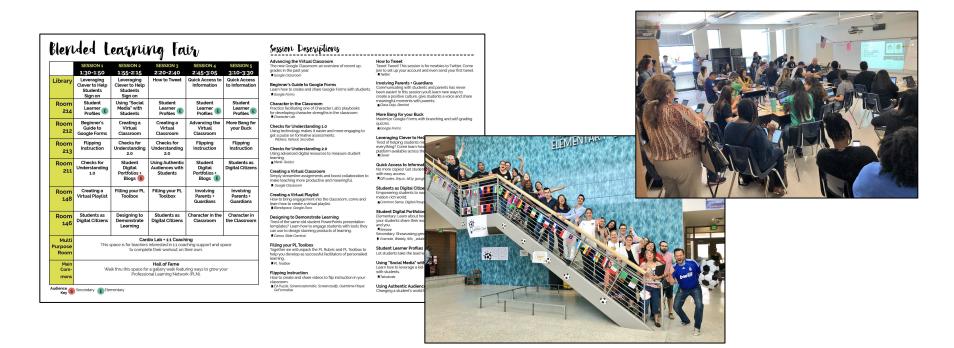




### **TEAM PRACTICE**

July 31st, 12:30-4:30 PM

Following the warm up, teachers have a chance to learn new moves and strategies during our blended learning fair that showcase best moves in the classroom.





### **QUALIFICATION ROUND**

August 1st, 8:30-11:30AM

In grade level clusters, teachers learn from and collaboratively plan for blended learning systems and for the first six weeks of school. During the qualifying round, teachers produce a plan and playbook that help them in the final game (and teach the first six weeks of school too!).

# Press Conference with PL All-Stars









Elena Cardoza @ElenaCardoza17 - Aug 1

We are all life long learners :

Listening to our peers to expand our mindset for the classroom. What a great



## **FINAL GAME**

August 1st, 12:30-4:30 PM

In the final game, teachers participate in an **exhibition of learning** where they showcase their plan for blended and personalized learning back in their classroom.

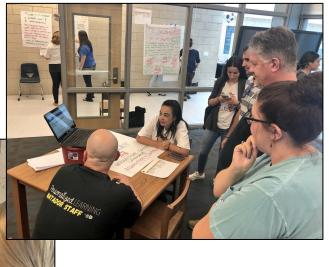


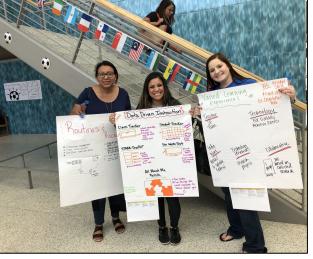
**The Coin Toss** 



# **FINAL GAME**









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# Play the Game

- Find another group and present your scenario; vote on scenario and get points based on simple rubric
  - 3- I would attend eagerly;
  - 2- I would attend if there were no other options;
  - 1- I would skip;
  - 0- I would skip and would encourage others to do so)

# From Ideas to Action

1 Process
Shift

1 Mindset Shift

Content to Leverage

# **Share Feedback**

- Find another group and present your scenario; vote on scenario and get points based on simple rubric
  - 3- I would attend eagerly;
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# Thank you!

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# SHIFTING TOWARD PERSONALIZED LEARNING FOR EDUCATORS

# Compliance

# **Centrally Mandated**

District/school leadership
primarily choose the focus areas
for educator learning; leadership
and/or external organizations
primarily design and facilitate
professional
learning activities.

# Ownership

#### **Educator Driven**

Educators choose the focus areas for their learning, and recognized educators primarily design and facilitate professional learning activities.

### One Size Fits All

Professional learning activities are designed primarily as whole group experiences where all educators experience the same content in the same ways.

## "Sit and Get" (Passive)

Professional learning activities are overwhelmingly passive, based primarily on whole group information sharing/lecture with little time for collaboration and application.

# **Highly Personalized**

Professional learning activities are highly personalized, allowing educators to engage at their level of readiness and demonstrate significant agency in shaping their professional learning pathways.

# **Learning-By-Doing (Active)**

Professional learning activities are overwhelmingly active, inviting educators to engage in dynamic collaboration with one another and positioning educators to immediately apply their learning through relevant practice.

## **One-Off Sessions**

Professional learning activities are typically designed and experienced as discrete, isolated experiences with few connections between them.

## **Removed from Practice**

Professional learning is experienced as something separate from educators' core responsibilities and activities and is at best indirectly tied to student learning outcomes.

# Cohesive, Extended Learning

Professional learning activities are designed with clear long-term goals in mind, enabling educators to increasingly develop knowledge and skills over extended periods of time.

## Job-Embedded

Professional learning is closely intertwined with educators' core responsibilities and activities with a primary focus on improving practices that directly increase student learning.

#### Isolated

The extent to which educators learn and grow is primarily based on individual teachers who prepare lessons, teach students, and monitor student progress largely in isolation from other professionals.

# **Emphasis on Content**

Content knowledge is the primary focus of professional learning, and content is communicated through traditional learning processes like whole group lectures and presentations.

# **Highly Collaborative**

Educators frequently and meaningfully engage with one another and with mentors/ experts throughout their professional learning. This can take the form of Professional Learning Communities, mentorships, coplanning and coteaching, shared action research, and more.

# **Emphasis on Process, Mindsets, and Content**

How educators learn is emphasized just as much as what they learn. Educators have the opportunity to learn in a dynamic, learner-centered manner while they are developing critical knowledge and skills. Essential mindsets such as growth mindset and a commitment to equity are intentionally cultivated.