

# Finding Students' Voice: Creating Students' Future with STEAM

#### What blueprint will you create?

Write your vision, mission, and core principles that drive your school/classroom.

This is the foundation on the ground floor of your blueprint.

#### **3 LEVERS**

- Cultural path finding and alignment
- Unleashing children's unlimited human potential while providing amazing opportunities for them daily
- STEAM powers Kid's 21<sup>st</sup> C Engines

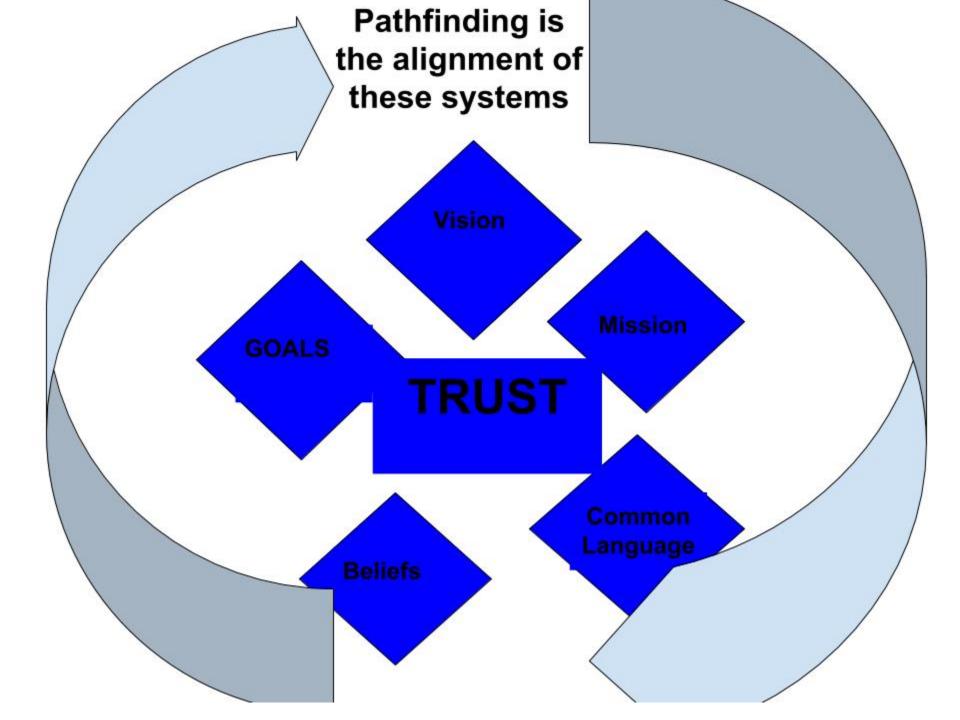
#### First Floor Lever 1

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#### Path finding

 "I believe that culture is the hidden tool for transforming our schools and offering our students the best learning possible. Traditionally, policymakers have focused on curriculum as the tool for transformation, naively assuming that teachers merely deliver curriculum to their students. Change the deliverable—Common Core, STEAM, National Curriculum, International Baccalaureate Diploma—and you will have transformed education, they assume. In reality, curriculum is something that is enacted with students. It plays out within the dynamics of the school and classroom culture. Thus culture is foundational. It will determine how any curriculum comes to life." Ron Richard, 2015

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### Cultures that Deliver Consistent Results

#### **XQ** Survey Reveals:

16% over

30 years

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Blueprint

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#### The Day The World Changed

(New Paradigm)

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#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor of Your Blueprint

#### Create Agency in Students:

In *Choice Words*, Peter Johnston says that children who doubt their competence set low goals, choose easy tasks, and they plan poorly. When they face difficulties, they become confused, lose concentration, and start telling themselves stories about their own incompetence. They become our passive learners. Engagement withers.

#### Agency and Belonging



#### Johann Wolfgang von Goethe

"If you treat an individual as he is, he will remain how he is. But if you treat him as if he were what he ought to be and could be, he will become what he ought to be and could be."

#### Champion for Every Child

 "Every child deserves a champion, an adult who will never give up on them, who understands the power of connection and insists that they become the very best they can possibly become."

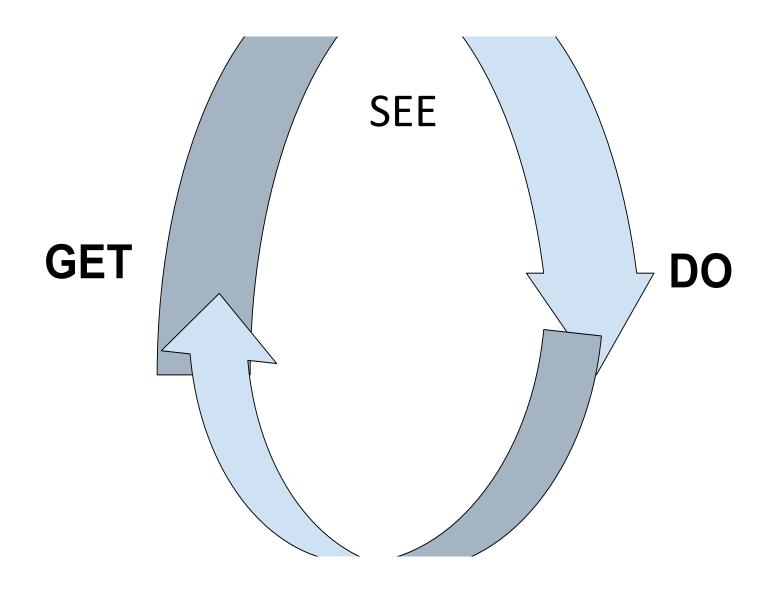
Ritchart, Creating Cultures of Thinking, The 8 Forces We Must Truly Master to Transform Our Schools

#### Autonomy

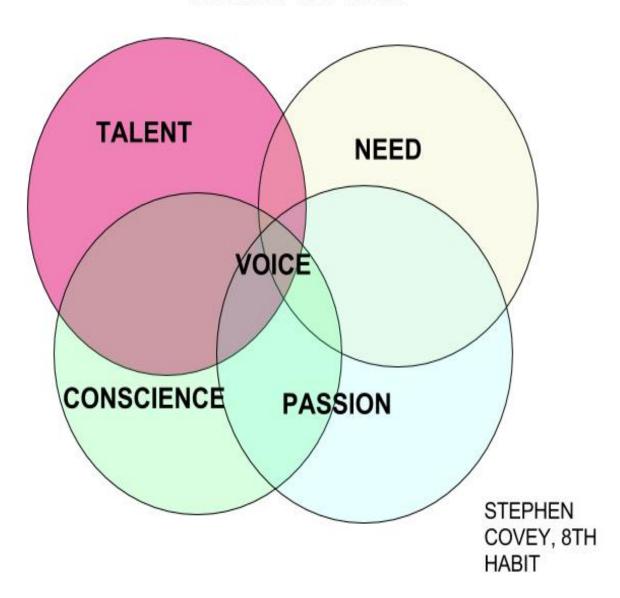
 When a child develops autonomy, he begins to self-regulate his actions. He or she begins to apply these strengths to learning.

 Daniel Pink, author of Drive: "Creating autonomy, mastery, and purpose changes one's motivations".

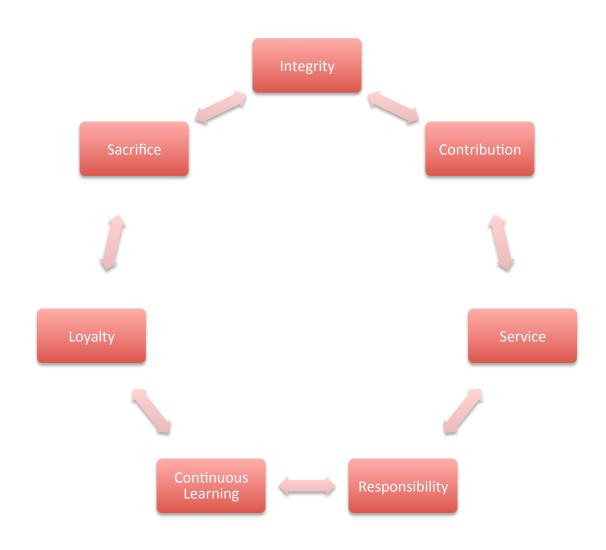
#### Covey: Principle to Examine Paradigms



#### Voice Develops at the Intersection of Talent, Conscience, Passion and Need



#### Primary Greatness (Covey, 2015)



#### 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor

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#### **STEAM**

"The jobs in the greatest demand in the future don't yet exist and will require workers to use technologies that have not been invented to solve problems that we don't yet even know are problems."

#### Lev Vygotsky

## "Children grow into the intellectual life of those around them."

#### STEAM DEFINED

Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math Integrated and applied to interdisciplinary hands-on learning

Platform for creativity, innovation, and entrepreneurship

#### TRANSFORMATIONAL LEVERS

- Transformative culture
- Empowerment
- Name and notice student's thinking and their strengths
- Listen to and to understand children's thoughts
- Modeling
- Opportunities for every child to apply their learning

#### Project Zero –8 Forces

- Routines
- Interactions of respect and interest

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#### Thank you!

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