

November 17, 2016
Community Conversation
Liberty Junior Students

Story of Learning Success

Hands on learning – Labs

- Experiments
- Movie Making

Design & Modeling

- Learning to create

Teachers use creativity to teach

- Working together
- Team vs. team



Debates vs. Romans

Real life simulators

Rap Battles

There are options: Lots of clubs (choice by students)

Arts are important – You do what you like

Friendship/Culture is key

Where does excitement for learning come from? Content or Teacher?

What You Need to Succeed

- More time to try more things (career exploration) to know what we like and are good at to help with career path
- Electives per day (too many scheduling issues)
- Creativity/Ingenuity
- Engineering
- How to be social
- Study skills/read faster
- Life skills (ie: doing taxes)

GO IN-DEPTH or DABBLE?

Band/Choir kills all other electives and gym and health are required so then no robotics
There are enough choices, but not enough time

Character Skills

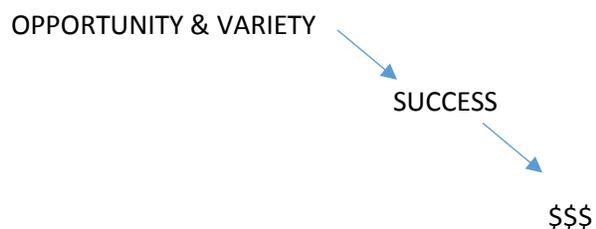
- Discipline
- Work ethic
- Responsibility
- Creativity
- Time management
- Perseverance
- Optimism
- Friendliness
- Confidence

Reading/Writing/Listening – more important because it comes first

Need person to person contact

In Groups, How to Listen to Those Who Don't Agree

- Compromise
- Conflict resolution
- Social skills/good body language/emotional connection
- Accept differences
- Understand that not everything is black and white (see the gray)



What Are You Anxious About?

- How to survive after high school (ie: cooking, life skills, “adulthood 101”)
- House, Job, Taxes, Bills – financial survival
- Worried about doing well enough in high school to get into college and make a good living for a family
- Tests
- Trump
- Keeping important relationships
- Work skills/emotional management (how to react & cope)

Driving and school transportation

Give 7th graders the 8th grade health education

Worried about whether high school will give experiences to prep for life