Meet Jamie Steckart



Jamie Steckart holds a Master's Degree from the University of Minnesota, and is a licensed teacher, principal and superintendent from the state of Minnesota. He has over twenty-six years of experience designing schools that focus on student centered learning utilizing project-based learning and placed-based learning. He has taught in the classroom and has over 1,000 days in the field with students on expedition.

He successfully ended his last post in June 2020 as the Head of School for THINK Global School (TGS). TGS, a member school of the National Association of Independent Schools, is a nomadic WASC accredited high school for grades 10-12. Students from across the globe apply to spend their last three years of high school living and learning in four countries per year and experience twelve countries before they graduate. In addition to the intensive field experiences, he worked with a team to implement cutting edge blended learning to augment in person instruction. TGS was selected as one of the most innovative and progressive schools in the world by Hundred.org.

Prior to his tenure at THINK Global School, he held the post of Principal of Qatar Leadership Academy, in Al Khor, Qatar. He brings a wealth of global experience to his positions having lived and visited over 45 countries.

Jamie has a long history of being on the leading edge in educational reform and innovation. He was part of the initial group of teachers that designed Northwest Passage High School, ending with his twelve years as the school's Director.

As a former Outward Bound Expeditionary Learning Instructor (ELOB) for Voyageur Outward Bound, he was part of the early implementation of ELOB concepts in St. Paul Schools. He founded Project L.E.A.D., an expedition high school, which won the Minnesota Association of Alternative Program of the Year Award and the Crystal Award from the National Dropout Prevention Association.

Jamie is passionate about school re-design and student-centered learning. He believes in collaborative leadership and listening to the voices of students.

He continues to engage with the world's educational community and has been featured as a keynote speaker at NESA Fall Leadership Conference, Hundred.org, Moscow School of Management, CProgram Seoul Korea, Educationchangemakers.com, and the Global Education Leadership Summit.

