

Please select one of the following quotes, and respond to the prompts/questions below your selected quote:

1) "There has never been a more frustrating time to be a school leader in the United States . . . That is because the system – designed a century ago to solve a very different set of problems than the ones the nation now faces – does not work anymore. Simply managing current systems is getting harder and harder. That will continue until we replace them with systems that are much better adapted to the challenges we now face (p xi)."

– Marc Tucker

Prompts/Question: Select a system that is dated. Please explain why this system is dated. What may be next steps toward change?

3) "The level of trust among parents, students, and educators is a clear predictor for student success and only exists within education settings where the adults put the needs and interests of students at the center of all decisions."

– Kamm Solutions' Study

Questions: Do your students experience high levels of trust between adults in your school/district? Please explain. Are the needs and interests of students at the center of all decision? How and where can improvements be made?

2) "The greatest danger in times of turbulence is not the turbulence. It is to act with yesterday's logic."

– Peter Druker

Questions: What is yesterday's logic in teaching, leading, and learning? What is the "new logic" as we prepare students for the future?

4) "Students need to acquire well-developed thinking, problem solving, design, collaboration, and communication skills. Students also need to be able to find, evaluate, synthesize, and use knowledge in new contexts, and produce research findings and solutions."

– Linda Darling-Hammond

Questions: Is this the level of learning students experience in your classrooms? What can you do to ensure this level of learning for each student in your schools?

5) "Energy follows attention. Wherever you place your attention, that is where the energy of the system will go. "Energy follows attention" means that we need to shift our attention from what we are trying to avoid to what we want to bring into reality."

– Otto Scharmer

Questions: Where is the collective attention currently being placed in your district/school? Be specific. Is your district's/school's energy channeled towards preparing students to be future ready? Please explain.