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Welcome to our backchannel!

Scott at 11:48 AM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Good Morning!

T. Olsen at 13:34 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Here we are, this guy does not suck.

ScottMcPherson at 13:34 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Here we are, this guy does not suck.

ScottMcPherson at 13:34 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Collective gasp from teachers when told to use technology!!

Yummie at 13:35 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Hi Mom

Kory Fredrikson at 13:35 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Good morning!

mr. gauthier at 13:35 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Hi, y'all!

Scott at 13:35 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

zup?

Some Guy at 13:35 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Is Twitter blocked? Tried to note my excitement!

P, K & M at 13:36 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Good Morning

Cynthy at 13:36 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Wake up Popp

Lala at 13:36 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Engagement in multi-tasking. Just what kids like!

Yummie at 13:36 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

That's sweet Cory!

Slick at 13:37 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Very cool

Dj at 13:37 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

It really does work yea

Noreen at 13:37 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Wake up Kevin

BSchley at 13:37 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

The governor !

Jerry at 13:37 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Hi Donnie

Joanne at 13:37 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Good morning

Q at 13:37 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Wow! Allowed to use technology! Yea!

Tammy at 13:37 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Our students are bringing in technology so let them use it.

Janet at 13:38 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

What a way to start a first day!

Jamie at 13:38 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

This would be fun to use with my middle schoolers...

Dana at 13:38 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Wake up Bill

sweet at 13:38 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Is talk back free?

Kory Fredrikson at 13:38 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Hi Kory!

CJFred at 13:39 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Yes..but would the ms students be listening to the teacher?

its me at 13:39 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

They might if they knew I was watching it... or if I was a participating member.

Dana at 13:40 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

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Dana at 13:40 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Denmark uses a program similar to Facebook that has a chat function... anyone want to let us know how that has worked? ;-)

Dana at 13:40 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

No...they would be interested in what is happening here.

sweet at 13:40 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

That's what I figured too!

its me at 13:41 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

I am thinking more about the students that are shy or need more time to formulate a response... they might be more likely to in writing

Dana at 13:41 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Kids tune out all the time. This seems like a diversion bc they wld still be engaged in the topic

s. at 13:41 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

TPACK= content+ technology + pedagogy

P, K & M at 13:41 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

I don't think I would use it during a lecture

Dana at 13:42 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

I disagree maybe at first but you could have them respond to questions on here to start discussions in your class

Tammy at 13:42 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

I think they are capable of multi tasking

betty at 13:43 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Exactly! Thanks Tammy

Dana at 13:43 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

My Big Campus is the program that I

think you are referring to that s being used by Denmark

T. Olsen at 13:43 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Multitasking is part of who they are.

Melissa at 13:43 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Yes

Dana at 13:43 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

My big campus is great but it does take some time to set up...but it is a great communication tool for the students!

its me at 13:44 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

That's a big blue state.

Mr. Pagel's Brother at 13:44 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

women are especially superior when it comes to multitasking

betty at 13:45 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

The students can access mbc from anywhere which is great

its me at 13:45 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Do you mean 6th grade girls, Betty?

Dana at 13:45 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

He will probably check this to look for questions and check understanding.

P, K & M at 13:46 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Research has shown actually that the brain can't technically multitask.

mr. gauthier at 13:46 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

The world is flat.

Janet at 13:46 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

I like the wall feature of MBC, but I haven't had the students use the chat feature.

Heather at 13:46 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Then why can I listen to him and read comments at the same time?

Melissa at 13:47 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Teaching is location independent...

Dana at 13:47 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Competition, competition, competition. Cheaper is better. Major fault of capitalism and Western philosophy when the dollar drives everything

Yummie at 13:47 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Thought-speed vs. Speech-speed differential. Brain can process 5 times faster than one can speak.

Yummie at 13:48 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Time to go back to the gold standard

Jerry at 13:48 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Multitasking is a myth- but this can be used to heighten on-topic engagement.

P, K & M at 13:48 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

That's a good point Melissa. The article I

f I remember correctly said the brain can really only focus on one thing at a time. I'll have to

mr. gauthier at 13:49 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Agree Yummie

Lala at 13:49 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

We do need to explore those tasks that are best served by interpersonal f2f communication. It's not always about cheaper.

P, K & M at 13:50 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Yummie -- the thought-speed thing is interesting...

Dana at 13:50 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

That's what kids struggle with...f2f communication. They need the tech to interact.

Melissa at 13:51 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Why are we not having kids do the majority of their work (production) for an authentic audience online? They then will learn the impact of

Yummie at 13:51 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Walmart self-checkout

Mr. Pagel's Brother at 13:51 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

But a human connection is sometimes

required! Ok - he's headed there...

P, K & M at 13:52 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

So how do we bridge the gap? Do we get them started online/through tech and then have them work together...

Dana at 13:52 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

What jobs are left? Jobs that require higher level thinking

Janet at 13:52 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Being location independent. Can produce something from anywhere for anyone.

Yummie at 13:53 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Self checkouts are great, but..... You always seem to need some sort of personal assistance

Greyu at 13:53 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Fight over flight...

betty at 13:53 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Abstract and location specific jobs are growing. Don't forget about the importance of trade skills!!

Melissa at 13:53 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Cuz the checkout beeper always messes up or incorrectly senses an item. Lol

Yummie at 13:54 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

What do we do for the students that

aren't interested in higher level thinking?
What about the kid who WANTS to be a
carpenter?

Dana at 13:54 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Ah... never mind.

Dana at 13:55 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

I'm not B.W.

Joanne at 13:55 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

I know I'm biased, but building a house
isn't low skill.

Kory Fredrikson at 13:55 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Yes...but jobs are now making you do
more than just one thing...you need to be
able to do mutiple things for one job

its me at 13:55 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

We NEED those workers. Trade skills
need to be taught and emphasized as real
options!

Melissa at 13:55 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

There will always be location dependent
jobs but it will become increasingly more
competitive.

Yummie at 13:55 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Carpenter That is a job that is location
dependent

Noreen at 13:55 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Our students need to hear this!

P at 13:56 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

I can iz cheezburger?

Mr. Pagel's Brother at 13:56 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Carpenters still need to market themselves, schedule and bill - online.

P, K & M at 13:56 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Cheeseburger in paradise

Janet at 13:56 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Think about it. Who gets the jobs? Those with multiple abilities or experiences.

Yummie at 13:56 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Students need to be able to market their skills

Dana at 13:57 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

I'll be sure to share this info in my tech lit careers course.

mr. gauthier at 13:57 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Mmmmmmm bacon

Kory Fredrikson at 13:57 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Students need to become gourmet cheeseburgers.

T. Olsen at 13:57 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

(Show off that extra layer in the burger)

Dana at 13:57 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Cheeburger, cheeburger!!!!

Yummie at 13:57 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

We need to be fancy cheeseburgers- wait!
One of us will diversify to a vegan wrap!

P, K & M at 13:58 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

It is hard to convince students that they
need to be fancy cheeseburgers.

Laura at 13:58 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

How long will USA pride last when the
cost is so much less?

ScottMc at 13:58 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

CNC work.

Kory Fredrikson at 13:59 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

So we have to keep changing.

P, K & M at 13:59 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Is CNC work location specific?

Melissa at 14:00 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

I don't enev know where my Ford is
made nowadays. Detroit? Totally?

ScottMc at 14:00 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

How do we convince kids they need to be
highly skilled when they think getting a
job for 7-10 bucks an hour is all they
need

Yummie at 14:00 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Yes we do have to constantly change and
be able to roll with it.

T. Olsen at 14:00 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

The only problem is that getting to that point is very expensive... I think part of the reason that we are trying to be "fancy cheesburgers"

Dana at 14:00 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

... is to help pay off that education. Can you tell I'm a recent graduate?

Dana at 14:00 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Fords are usually made in Mexico

Kory Fredrikson at 14:00 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

We need to get you to Madison for a chat

That guy in the back at 14:01 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

so we can outsource, but we are stuck with the delapated buildings to look at!

s. at 14:01 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Well, if a kid thinks 7-10 will be enough, then they will have to be okay with the limitations of that wage.

Melissa at 14:01 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

From our table... jobs are getting more creative, and ANY education can help get a job, even not in the same field as the education.

Dana at 14:04 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

location independent jobs are great, however companies are not saving the

consumer anything.

s. at 14:04 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Nike shoes still cost the same!

s. at 14:04 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Education just shows that a person can learn. The job specific skills are generally taught by the hirer.

Melissa at 14:05 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

So- what are some job titles that kids (middle schoolers) might think about?

P, K & M at 14:06 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Any laundry tips?

Joanne at 14:06 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Problem is most kids can't see beyond the immediacy of the here and now. Need to work on futures planning.

Yummie at 14:06 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Here, here, Yummy!

P, K & M at 14:07 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

It's pretty sad that students need to start working on their futures this soon... I didn't know what I wanted to do until the middle of my s

Dana at 14:07 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

senior year

Dana at 14:07 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

How do we prepare kids for something

they might not know they want to do?

Dana at 14:08 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

How do we prepare kids for careers that don't even exist today?

Melissa at 14:08 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Exposure

suzie q at 14:08 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Project based learning - teach kids how to learn!

Melissa at 14:09 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Entrepreneurialism? Entrepreneurship?

P, K & M at 14:09 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Higher order thinking and problem solving are always needed

Noreen at 14:09 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

JoAnne -You can go online for every laundry tip you will ever need!!!!

Laura at 14:09 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

"Effective writing" jumped out at me 🎵🎵

Dana at 14:09 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

I am 31, I am going back to college because I changed my mind(again).

s. at 14:09 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Those skills are for any (even yet to be created) jobs.

ScottMc at 14:09 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

We don't prepare kids for jobs...we give them universal intellectual skill to succeed in MANY fields.

Otte at 14:09 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Field trips to tech schools.

Kory Fredrikson at 14:09 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Skills needed for college and citizenship are also needed for career success

Janet at 14:09 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

We all can incorporate higher order thinking in the classroom

suzie q at 14:10 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

PBL teaches "this kind of stuff."

P, K & M at 14:10 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

To get our kids ready to compete, teachers need to be better trained, schools need to be better equipped, but they keep cutting our budget.

P at 14:11 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

I can't wait to use my PBL plan. :)

Dana at 14:11 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Real world field trips are important! Let the students see it!

its me at 14:11 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Need to think outside the box

Tammy at 14:11 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

I love the new one... "creating"

Dana at 14:11 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Perservence,self motivation teach the habits of mind

Greyu at 14:12 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

The rest are pretty much the same

suzie q at 14:12 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

There are so many free opportunities available to us via the web that we need to seek them out to get beyond the budget.

Melissa at 14:13 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Creating for an authentic global audience!!

Yummie at 14:13 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

PBL

Janet at 14:14 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

That looks like the Hubert nintendo game...

mr. gauthier at 14:14 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Ack. I meant cubert

mr. gauthier at 14:15 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Its all hands on!

suzie q at 14:15 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Q-bert?

Melissa at 14:15 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Yes! I was unsure of the spelling

mr. gauthier at 14:16 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

I hope that we get time during inservice days this year to share what teachers are doing and develop ideas.

Laura at 14:16 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

We still need kids to know "stuff" - but we can't get stuck there!

P, K & M at 14:16 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

How can we get to this depth of knowledge with our youngest students.

Yummie at 14:16 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

can't the screen expand? The words are too small for ppl in the back.

s. at 14:17 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Need to take risk to change and not be afraid to fail or be reprimanded for it - from our group

T. Olsen at 14:18 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Can you pull it up on your device? The links are all on the dangerouslyirrelevant site

Dana at 14:18 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Students not having the basic knowledge holds back - from our group .

T. Olsen at 14:19 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

PBL - Management has to be effective so that kids don't get frustrated with potential inequities.

Melissa at 14:19 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

PKM, we agree... particularly with the younger students... the foundational knowledge takes forever!

Dana at 14:20 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

There needs to be a culture change - from our group

T. Olsen at 14:20 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

What we remember is what we attach meaning to

T. Olsen at 14:23 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Right on!

Melissa at 14:24 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

PBL gives students the voice and choice they need

Cynthy at 14:24 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

I keep thinking project based learning!!!
Real life applications!

its me at 14:24 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

it's where my classroom is going this year

Cynthy at 14:24 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Same here... project based learning and individualized music things that I do 🎵🎵

Dana at 14:24 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Ok I am onboard... I'm motivated... help me with ideas and get me some tips to try! :)

onboard at 14:25 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

I know. What I remember from high school: Mrs. O and anyways. I correct ppl everytime they say anyways. Thanks Mrs. O!

stephanie genrich at 14:25 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

It's like a foreign language...if you don't use it, you lose it. Fact nuggets can be googled in seconds.

Melissa at 14:26 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

It makes perfect sense

suzie q at 14:26 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

I'd be very interested in doing some cross-curricular things... working with a math or history or science teacher while teaching music

Dana at 14:26 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Try changing the lay out of your classroom first...circle of chairs is a great start! Better conversation!

its me at 14:26 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Interdisciplinary work creates more meaning

Melissa at 14:26 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

I'm toying with the idea of ditching the desks all together.

Dana at 14:27 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Dana, i'm game to discuss ideas with you

mr. gauthier at 14:27 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Did it...pros and cons.

Melissa at 14:27 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Thoughts on what kids need to know 1. Kids remember what had meaning attached (choice, autonomy...) not fact nuggets. 2. Relevance in conte

P, K & M at 14:27 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Conversations are so important! Find new ways to share what you've learned.

ScottMc at 14:27 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

teach kids not to memorize, but how to access the info. effectively

s. at 14:27 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Ok!

Dana at 14:27 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

I would love to get rid of desks, but what do you use instead. Still need a workplace

Cynthy at 14:27 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Context

P, K & M at 14:27 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Great point T Olsen. This is why real world application and relationships must be present in learning experiences.

Yummie at 14:27 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

We remember what we attach meaning to...

Laura at 14:27 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

I tried that a little last and it was amazing to see how much the students enjoyed it! It was different!

its me at 14:28 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

What motivates us?

Janet at 14:28 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

I've got some great science + music ideas 4 u!

suzie q at 14:28 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

You can use tables or group the desks into "big tables"... get rid of your desk too, for more workspace!

onboard at 14:28 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Who do you remember from school? Those who you knew cared about you and engaged you positively in your learning.

Yummie at 14:29 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Awesome! I've done a few little things,

but nothing huge. SQ, are you from TR or Denmark?

Dana at 14:29 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

I remember all of the teachers that inspired me and cared about me...

Laura at 14:30 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

TR. Clarke. :)

suzie q at 14:30 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

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suzie q at 14:30 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Music room... Don't really need tables, it's more about sound (though we write every day)

Dana at 14:30 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Now that i'm reminded of this, I think I need to rework my incentive plan

mr. gauthier at 14:30 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Whoops

suzie q at 14:30 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

SQ, we should talk. :) (I'm in the Elem here, and Mid in Denmark)

Dana at 14:30 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

YAY MUSIC! 🎵🎵

Dana at 14:32 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

lays potato chips is doing this with FB consumers get to pick the next flavor!

good idea!

s. at 14:33 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Transendent purpose....yes...

T. Olsen at 14:34 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

A lot of companies look at what is being said on facebook!

its me at 14:36 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Self-Direction, Purpose...

Dana at 14:36 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

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Autonomy, mastery and purpose - leads to better engagement and higher level work.

P, K & M at 14:37 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

schools should do the same.

s. at 14:37 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Time is our biggest enemy... and the "checklist" mentality

Dana at 14:41 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Possible solution: interdisciplinary learning

Dana at 14:42 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Get rid of grades.

Melissa at 14:43 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Motivation = Curiosity = Interest

Dana at 14:43 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

We made them sit in desks in rows

Janet at 14:43 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Kids need to have some control over their learning from early on so they don't become victims of learned helplessness when they have no dire

Yummie at 14:44 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

I second "Get rid of grades" and "Sit in a Circle"

Dana at 14:44 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

agree on getting rid of grades but how to we "prove" learning to the community

Cynthy at 14:44 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

The focus needs to be on learning and improving, not grades as melissa said

mr. gauthier at 14:44 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

we need to uproot the old system and make a 21st century system

s. at 14:44 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

I have too many desks in my room to sit in a circle, I do horseshoe shape

Cynthy at 14:44 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Students should create products to prove learning, not an A

mr. gauthier at 14:45 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

The kids who don't play the game won't do the work because they know that there is no meaning in it for them.

Melissa at 14:45 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

We need year round school

Jerry at 14:45 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Get rid of grades....good luck getting that into college. The whole system needs to change!

P at 14:45 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

There are benefits of yr rd.....

suzie q at 14:46 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

We need yr round school. The real world is year round!

s. at 14:46 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

We are 12 years into the 21st century. We need to think ahead.

Janet at 14:46 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

How soon will it be when all kids don't want to play the school game any more?

T. Olsen at 14:46 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

There are some colleges that are open to the "no grade" system, once they understand that there is still evaluation happening

Dana at 14:46 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Year round sure makes more sense in our world today. Get rid of our 19th century system!!!

Melissa at 14:46 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

The value is what can you do with what you know...

T. Olsen at 14:47 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

The community would be more respectful if schools were yr rd

suzie q at 14:47 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

The value is what can you do with what you know...

T. Olsen at 14:47 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Yeah, summer only exacerbates the achievement gap between low income/high income

mr. gauthier at 14:47 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

I'm all for no grade, don't get me wrong, but be realistic.

P at 14:47 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Most colleges look at a collection of factors, with GPA being only one of them. Involvement, ACT (UGH), recommendations, etc.

Melissa at 14:48 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

That's right No need to be home in

summer for the harvest

Jerry at 14:48 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

(most)kids are not farming fields, they are bored and & they expect to be entertained at all times!

s. at 14:48 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

there was just a study on year round school, actually no proof that it is better

Greyu at 14:48 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

I think the big thought is that they will be less likely to lose information over summer...

Dana at 14:48 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

alverno college was way ahead of their time, they have not had a grading system for over 10 years.

s. at 14:48 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

at least learning will still be happening.

s. at 14:51 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Are we settling for "at least"?

Dana at 14:52 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

so let's call alverno to see how they pull it off

Cynthy at 15:05 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

field trip to Alverno!

s. at 15:07 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

If I second the motion for a field trip, will

someone pass it? ;-)

Dana at 15:07 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

ACT-another form of grade.

P at 15:08 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

"we want them to be autonomous, self-directed learners"

Laura at 15:08 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

"When they graduate, students don't automatically go from passive teacher-directed learners to active self-directed learners"

Dana at 15:09 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

I pass the motion for a field trip to Alverno

Cynthy at 15:09 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

"Teaching them to be an adaptive learner."

Dana at 15:10 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

alverno, here we come. now to get \$ for the trip.

s. at 15:10 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Dana, i will email u later with some ideas

suzie q at 15:10 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

blahblahblahlifelonglearnersblahblahblah

Mr. Pagel's Brother at 15:10 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Awesome! 🎵🎵

Dana at 15:11 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Aren't rubric the answer to grading their learning? You can create one to gauge learning for anything.

Laura at 15:11 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

There are other logistics to think about with yr round school. Building maintenance, bussing, etc. I bet some of you would REALLY be missing

C at 15:12 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

The technology would be easier to work with if it would work reliably... It's hard to plan something when the technology doesn't cooperate

Dana at 15:12 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Air conditioning.

C at 15:12 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

We need to embrace and help eachother **CHANGE!**

Laura at 15:12 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

There's the "mindset change" again.

Dana at 15:12 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

We need to change the dominant mental model of what schools look like.

P, K & M at 15:13 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

@Dana, I agree. Web2.0 is so free, it's tough when the tech fails, and no one to

help fix it (on their end).

ScottMc at 15:13 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

the buildings are maintained yr round anyway. plus, the bus co would be making \$ too.

s. at 15:13 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

What if we let kids stay home one day a week and learn from there. Is learning location specific?

Melissa at 15:15 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

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Sounds like the CTE classes at DHS are setting the standard for tomorrows leaders

DHSCTE at 15:15 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

I wish my phone could Skype or FaceTime on 3G. I'd drop the phone plan, and they know that.

ScottMc at 15:15 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Don't worry, there will be year round school soon. Without anymore money to account for the added expenses and less pay

larry at 15:15 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

We don't need year round schools, we need to do more with the days we already have

Tammy at 15:15 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Melissa, you are getting at the flipped classroom :)

mr. gauthier at 15:16 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Did you see the sign by the bathroom door that said cell phones not allowed at any time.

Janet at 15:16 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

From what I've heard, the year-round school will use the same approximate number of days with longer and more frequent "breaks."

Dana at 15:17 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Please correct me if I'm wrong

Dana at 15:17 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Yes dana I have also heard of that model

mr. gauthier at 15:17 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Spread out the vacations throughout the year to provide reinvigoration multiple times...for students AND teachers!

Melissa at 15:17 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

I talk about this in my music history class (7th grade)

Dana at 15:17 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Any history teachers want to join in on that conversation sometime? ;)

Dana at 15:18 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

The reason for no cellphone use in the bathrooms is because kids leaving class to call friends and also for the same reason no cell phones i

larry at 15:18 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

"We all can be publishers"

Dana at 15:18 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Depends on the model of year round schools. Kenosha pilots year round school and it's all year.

Tammy at 15:18 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

love to:)

Melissa at 15:18 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

In locker rooms at the YMCA.

larry at 15:19 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

But we have to foster meaningful content and connections.

P, K & M at 15:19 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Others do quarters and there are 2 week breaks in between quarters

Tammy at 15:19 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

#1 Advantage (in my opinion) for using chat... NETWORKING. :)

Dana at 15:19 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

It's not WHAT, but HOW...

Dana at 15:20 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

There's a story behind the no cell phone sign. Talk to the lawyer.

P at 15:20 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Again, it's not WHAT the technology is, it's HOW (and where) it's used.

Dana at 15:21 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Only if broadband doesn't get used up

Jerry at 15:21 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

What do we do with students who write using text? What about spelling? Does it matter anymore? I think yes

its me at 15:21 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

What is the true broadband capacity?
Can it be maxxed out?

Melissa at 15:22 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

If you don't spell correctly, it auto-corrects to the wrong word. Gotta know how to spell!

Mr. Pagel's Brother at 15:22 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

I think the shift towards more digital learning reemphasizes the need for spelling

mr. gauthier at 15:22 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Spelling does matter, students need to

know the correct time and place... My students hand-write their listening journals. No spellcheck!

Dana at 15:23 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Article in the WSJ recently on broadband Scientists r working on it ... Right now it is finite

Jerry at 15:24 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Splng mtrrs nly n a wrttn prdct. We don't need all of the letters when we are conversing!

Melissa at 15:24 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

The brain doesn't develop until mid twenties so students don't make the wisest decisions such as what to say and what not to say on technolog

larry at 15:24 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

districts MUST change their policies on cell phones. (duh) i will be breaking the school rules in 4 days.

Heathcliff at 15:29 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

To be fair, adults don't always make the right decisions either

mr. gauthier at 15:30 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

From our table: Kids need to develop their social conscience. They are growing

up not understanding what is and is not appropriate

Dana at 15:31 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Good point, Dana!

Mr. Pagel's Brother at 15:32 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Interactivity is intimidating

Dana at 15:32 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Who takes ownership to teach social conscience?

Tammy at 15:32 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Exposing them to technology and teaching them what is appropriate will help develop that social conscience.

Melissa at 15:32 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

I feel like the robot boss some days "I need to supervise you not doing anything."

Dana at 15:32 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

UWmanty is having a seminar abt how what you post can haunt you in the future. Kids NEED to know this.

s. at 15:32 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

The "rules" are still emerging.

Paula at 15:32 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Parents

Kory Fredrikson at 15:33 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

When is that seminar?

Melissa at 15:33 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Okay, you have convinced me the world is internet based. Show me how to do it.

larry at 15:33 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

In my opinion, parents need to teach social conscience. In reality, I see it falling to teachers.

Dana at 15:33 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

@Dana, a lot of people need to learn that just because you could, that doesn't mean you should.

P at 15:33 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

We all need to model positive digital citizenship

Janet at 15:33 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Parents need to teach how to be digital citizens, which means for some kids, we must do that.

ScottMc at 15:33 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Exactly

Dana at 15:33 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

It doesnt matter the medium, facebook or party line; parents need to teach citizenship.

Kory Fredrikson at 15:34 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Teaching social conscience should be

taught at home but ultimately needs to be reinforced both places

mr. gauthier at 15:34 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Many parents don't know how to be digital citizens.

ScottMc at 15:34 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Many parents don't understand digital citizenship and related issues themselves.

Paula at 15:34 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

You can't have just teachers or just parents teaching social conscience. It needs to be more universal but it is not yet. There is the prob

Noreen at 15:34 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Yes,Scott

Janet at 15:34 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Teaching digital citizenship is the key.

T. Olsen at 15:35 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Someone who is a good citizen will be a good digital citizen.

Kory Fredrikson at 15:35 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Ideas for teachers? (Particularly Elem)

Dana at 15:36 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

If I'm Van Gough, I live this. If I am the museum, I miss the ticket money.

ScottMc at 15:36 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

We are definitely touching on why community education is important. But how do we do that?

mr. gauthier at 15:36 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Looking at a van gogh online is NOT the same. It can do in a pinch though.

C at 15:36 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

WOAH. That's close...

Dana at 15:36 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Live should be LOVE

ScottMc at 15:36 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

internet pen pals!! or..video pals, I guess.

Yummie at 15:36 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

That would be cool!

Dana at 15:36 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

We need to have digital citizenship conversations in context.

Paula at 15:37 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Anyone from Denmark thinking "Charter"?

Dana at 15:37 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

p.s. SO MUCH PLANNING!

Dana at 15:37 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

I like pen pals, but with actual paper, not email.

ScottMc at 15:37 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

A bully in real life will also be a bully

online.

P at 15:37 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

The Manitowoc middle school band director had her kids perform a piece via Skype for the composer, and he coached them. It was really neat!

Mr. Pagel's Brother at 15:38 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

@p you are correct, and a bully can be worse online.

ScottMc at 15:38 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Charter, Charter, Charter:)

Melissa at 15:38 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Northern and Southern school in US collaborating via Skype on the Civil War. What perspective! How cool would that be!!

Yummie at 15:38 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

We need to make sure that the technology infrastructure is ready to rock and roll for these projects.

T. Olsen at 15:40 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

English school and US school collaborating about the Revolutionary War...the possibilities are endless!!

Melissa at 15:40 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

We have to be ready for Skype with open

connections, a camera, etc

Paula at 15:46 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Don't most devices come with a camera today?

Melissa at 15:46 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Has anyone used Farcebook or Fakebook yet?

Dana at 15:47 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Not with school purchases :) no webcam on some of our devices.

ScottMc at 15:47 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Newman!

Jerry Seinfeld at 15:48 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Jerry!

ScottMc at 15:48 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Why is Seinfeld in this discussion?
Where's Elaine!??!!

Yummie at 15:48 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

How legit are ALL the reviews?

Kory Fredrikson at 15:49 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

They are getting coffee

Dana at 15:49 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Yes, Dana fakebook

Janet at 15:49 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

KF is right on that one

DHSCTE at 15:50 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

I am a horrible mooch. That's why I am

writing so much now. Trying to be a producer.

ScottMc at 15:50 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

We were just discussing that with the reviews... how easy would it be to get rigged reviews on for your product?

Dana at 15:50 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

@Janet, we should talk. :)

Dana at 15:50 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Some of the reviews are rants- and we have to sift through and think about their validity.

Paula at 15:50 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Resellers

Slick at 15:50 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

M&M lunch

Kory Fredrikson at 15:51 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

@ slick what is resellers

larry at 15:52 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

There was a guy that got arrested for doing fake reviews.

P at 15:52 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Soundcloud.com is another example of this.

Mr. Pagel's Brother at 15:52 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

No bids on the doilies. :(

suzie q at 15:52 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

When you do a review, your address or handle is shown, so if I do a lot of awesome reviews for our bike shop, it will start to look suspect

Melissa at 15:52 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Resellerrating

P at 15:52 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Couch surfing!!!

Dana at 15:53 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

U can get arrested for writing fake reviews? Govt is too big

Jerry at 15:53 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

chooseryouownkidnapper.com

Mr. Pagel's Brother at 15:54 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

@ "Jerry" agreed

Dana at 15:54 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

(arrested, or account deleted?)

Mr. Pagel's Brother at 15:54 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

That would be my luck. Pick the home of a serial killer

larry at 15:55 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

I used vrbo this summer. Worked great.

Kory Fredrikson at 15:56 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

So, where do our students find jobs?

Dana at 15:56 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Something to think about. I am a bit

disappointed. I thought we were going to hear more specific ideas to what we can do in a classroom and

Juliet at 15:57 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

We should have Raider Post online. Kids could blog, comment, etc on it.

suzie q at 15:58 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

I think he's putting it on US (the "learners") to come up with ways to make our classrooms "global"

Dana at 15:59 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

After all, if we won't do it, why should we think the students will? ;-)

Dana at 15:59 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

@Julie t. agreed

larry at 15:59 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

always the same old thing.....high in theory, low in "how to"....

Heathcliff at 16:01 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Crowdsourcing - aggregated info has power and makes a statement

Paula at 16:01 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Students are gamers... Instead of giving them a lesson, give them a problem. Let them find ways to solve it.

Dana at 16:01 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

When they have trouble, give them a clue or hint... a little at a time.

Dana at 16:02 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Innocentive is a great "how to" resource. Kids can look at these problems and offer solutions. Real world=meaningful.

Melissa at 16:02 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

He's showing the tools, what's out there, we have to figure out how to incorporate them in our classroom.

P at 16:02 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

@Heathcliff, it comes back to giving teachers proper training.

P at 16:04 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

FanFiction.net

Janet at 16:04 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Hate the word tools. Don't use in education forum

larry at 16:04 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

@p, true. By saying "tell me how" aren't we acting like our students? We need to figure it out.

suzie q at 16:05 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Exactly. I think it would be helpful to have "play time" (like we would need to do with our kids) to figure this stuff out

and get ideas

Dana at 16:06 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

start small...find something that works that is out of the box. We model innovation and exploration for our students.

Yummie at 16:06 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Play time where we can play and collaborate!

Melissa at 16:06 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

With beer and cake!

Jerry at 16:07 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Teach kids that their work has real world value.

T. Olsen at 16:08 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

One of the thing I learned from framework, have a goal to change 10% of what you do every year.

P at 16:08 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Now is the time to come up with the "how"... practice what you preach (try it out)

Dana at 16:10 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Interdisciplinary... Solving the "time" issue. Take the history/ science/ writing project to your computer skills class.

Dana at 16:12 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

USED to be locked down?

Paula at 16:16 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Inservice idea: finding and sorting through resources like these...

Dana at 16:18 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

How many people are thinking about "going back to school?" ;-)

Dana at 16:19 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Now, now;)

Melissa at 16:20 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Like Rodney dangerfield

Jerry at 16:20 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Are all of these just YouTube videos? Of course they are organized more nicely.

ScottMc at 16:21 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

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ScottMc at 16:22 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

@Dana, exactly!

P at 16:22 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

How do the "creators" get paying jobs with this model? Aren't these the "high level thinking" jobs we're preparing them for?

Mr. Pagel's Brother at 16:23 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Good question...

Melissa at 16:23 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

advertisements

s. at 16:23 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

But you need to be able to read, digest information, and have the motivation and ability to concentrate, dig, learn, and communicate, on you

Paula at 16:23 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

But who will be able to pay for advertisements?

Melissa at 16:24 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

companies who outsource and take part of their profit to pay for ads. (like nike)

s. at 16:24 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

How many of the kids that you have trouble with DON'T enjoy video games and WOULDN'T be competitive when they realize that they are the only

Dana at 16:25 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

I remember paying for a masters on line, got to listen to the "experts" teach me. It was the best thing I ever did. Then we couldn't do that

Greyu at 16:25 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

one in the class still on level 2? ;-)

Dana at 16:25 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

But money from ads does NOT go to

content creators. They all do it for free.

Mr. Pagel's Brother at 16:25 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

On your own- How many US students have the studying stamina to succeed at these options?

Paula at 16:25 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Aren't computers just a fad? I mean how long are computers actually going to be around!?

Jerry Seinfeld at 16:25 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

There's the key...give them laptops.
\$\$????

suzie q at 16:28 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Wouldn't it be nice if the rest of the world could get on the bandwagon and get these things in the hands of our kids?

Dana at 16:29 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

One of my students did this last yr demonstrating Newtons Laws!

suzie q at 16:30 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

That kid is an overachiever... how much fun would it be to have him in your class?
:-D

Dana at 16:30 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Free. I really like free.

Paula at 16:31 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

What if the kids were the teachers? I love to let my students run things in the music room.

Dana at 16:31 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Have a good year all!

ScottMc at 16:31 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Thank you!

onboard at 16:31 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

Thank you!!!

Dana at 16:32 PM, 29 Aug 2012 via web

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