

EDUCATION THAT *WORKS*

WHAT IS EDUCATION THAT *WORKS*?

The school districts from FARGO, MOORHEAD and WEST FARGO are collaborating and working with UNITED WAY of Cass-Clay and the Greater Fargo Moorhead ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION to enhance K-12 curriculum with project-based learning that includes a stronger focus on 21st century skills and measuring the 4 C's COMMUNICATION, COLLABORATION, CRITICAL THINKING AND CREATIVITY.



WHAT ARE 21ST CENTURY SKILLS? THESE ARE THE 4 C'S:

C

COMMUNICATION

Sharing thoughts, questions, ideas & solutions

C

COLLABORATION

Working together to reach a goal. Putting talent, expertise, & smarts to work

C

CRITICAL THINKING

Looking at problems in a new way and linking learning across subjects & disciplines

C

CREATIVITY

Trying new approaches to get things done equals innovation & invention

TODAY'S STUDENTS ARE TOMORROW'S WORKFORCE

“As someone looking to recruit and hire successful employees, I support this initiative 100%. While it is important for a new employee to have knowledge, they also need to know how to *interact well*.

COMMUNICATION, COLLABORATION, and project teamwork are *necessary skill sets* for a successful employee.”

- Tina Amerman, Human Resources Director
Doosan-Bobcat Company



GOALS



Providing enhanced professional development for current educators.



Preparing tomorrow's educators differently.



Communicating 21st century skill developments with stakeholders and the business community.

Learn more at www.EducationThatWorksNDMN.org and watch our EDUCATION THAT *WORKS* video!

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2015 RESULTS SUMMARY & 2016 SCHEDULE IMPACT ON LOCAL EDUCATORS AND STUDENTS & 2016 OPPORTUNITIES

METRO SCHOOL DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION COLLABORATION

“The EDUCATION THAT WORKS partnership and collaboration that is happening with United Way and the Greater Fargo Moorhead Economic Development Corporation is a breakthrough concept.

For the first time ever, the three metro school districts of Fargo, Moorhead and West Fargo have brought together over 90 administrators in metro-wide meetings to discuss and plan for the implementation of 21st century skills into the curriculum of the schools.

This type of collaboration is unheard of and certainly unique to our community.”

-Dr. Jeff Schatz, Fargo
Public Schools Superintendent



METRO TECH CAMP

A three-day event where teachers and administrators learn and apply 21st century skills together. Included EdVentures Business tours so teachers can see the 4 C's in action among employees at local businesses.

500 EDUCATORS
participated in 2015

METRO MIDDLE SCHOOL TECH CAMP

Connects middle school students with mentors from our business community to assist students in creating digital projects such as apps and websites. Students chose from a variety of two day experiences developed and facilitated by local businesses

174 STUDENTS
participated in 2015

METRO PROJECT BASED LEARNING TRAINING

A three day workshop focused on training teachers to engage students in relevant, authentic work through project-based learning. Designed to empower teachers to design classrooms that resemble how the world operates outside of school.

100 EDUCATORS
participated in 2015

-----2016 INFORMATION & SCHEDULES -----

WHEN June 7-9
WHERE Liberty Middle School
WHO All school staff is encouraged to attend

www.metrotechcamp.com

Session 1:
WHEN June 22 & 23
WHERE Carl Ben Eielson Middle School
Session 2:
WHEN July 20 & 21
WHERE Discovery Middle
TIME 8am-4pm
WHO 6-8 grade students
tinyurl.com/studenttechcamp

Session 1:
WHEN July 25-27

Session 2:
WHEN July 27-29
WHERE Davies High School
WHO Interested teachers

tinyurl.com/metropblinstitute

In addition to providing new and valuable training and experiences for educators and students, the EDUCATION THAT *WORKS* partnership also produced and accomplished:

- An informational video to help our community understand the value of the 4 C's and the impact on our students.
- A new website www.EducationThatWorksNDMN.org
- Accelerated professional development opportunities for educators and students



“EDUCATION THAT WORKS is about reflecting the real world in the classroom. We want students to have authentic experiences with solving real world problems that they are going to experience if they are going to lead in the future.”

-Dr. David Flowers, West Fargo
Public Schools Superintendent

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