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Education Recommendations for the Next President

The future of our country rests on what we offer to our students and our actions tell our students what it is we value. That's why the Alliance for Excellent Education (All4Ed) has prepared a series of education recommendations that every presidential candidate, including President Donald Trump, should consider to ensure all children have equitable opportunities to thrive and be well prepared to assume a productive role in an increasingly global economy.

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Death and Disability Rates Jump Dramatically During the Teen Years—Here's Why

Too often people think stereotypically about the period of adolescence as a time of vulnerability, risks, and problems. You may even be guilty of this. How often have you participated in or overheard conversations between parents that sound something like “my daughter is headed to middle school next year” and the response is “yikes, good luck!”?

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Decoding Teen Motivation: The Ins and Outs of Risks, Rewards, and Relationships

One of the most important skills to master in adolescence is balancing risks and rewards. In this regard, human beings are like many other mammals. A time arrives when adolescents must go out and explore, learn to survive, and establish their own relationships beyond their families. The mindset and motivations that teens bring to these challenges play a key role in how they fair.

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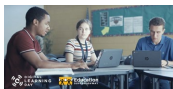


Bristol Township School District Empowers Students Through Innovative Digital Learning Strategies

Located in eastern Pennsylvania near the New Jersey border, Bristol Township School District serves 6,348 students, two-thirds of whom come from economically disadvantaged families. Through strong community partnerships and customized support from the Future Ready Schools® West Virginia/Pennsylvania Collaborative, the district has transitioned to an innovative technology-enhanced learning experience and project-based instructional approach for students at all grade levels.

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High School Students Learn Valuable Skills, Earn College Credit

In Norwalk Public Schools (CT), digital learning is a core part of the curriculum, with personalized math programs in the middle schools, blended learning in the high schools, and a comprehensive and digitally enabled career pathway program. Students can earn EMT and other medical certifications, get certified in Adobe Pro, or even learn how to run a radio station – all of which increase student engagement and are made possible by their proficiency in technology.

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Coming Soon

Adolescent Risk Taking, Rewards, and Relationships

THURSDAY
DEC 19, 2019
3:00 – 3:45 P.M.
(EDT)

In this webinar, part of the Alliance for Excellent Education's Science of Adolescent Learning initiative, our expert panel will discuss how educators can ensure that school environments promote positive mindsets in adolescent students and motivate them to take risks associated with positive outcomes.

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Personal & Authentic: Designing Learning Experiences that Impact a Lifetime

THURSDAY
JAN 16, 2020
3:30–4:30 P.M.
(EDT)

“What will happen today that has your kids running back tomorrow?” That’s just one of the thought-provoking questions best-selling author Thomas C. Murray asks in his latest book, *Personal & Authentic: Designing Learning Experiences that Impact a Lifetime*. In the book, Murray reveals how recent work in the learning sciences has helped paint a detailed picture of what kids need to thrive. Join Tom and All4Ed President Deb Delisle in this webinar on how educators can leave a powerful legacy by ensuring students’ learning experiences are personal and authentic.

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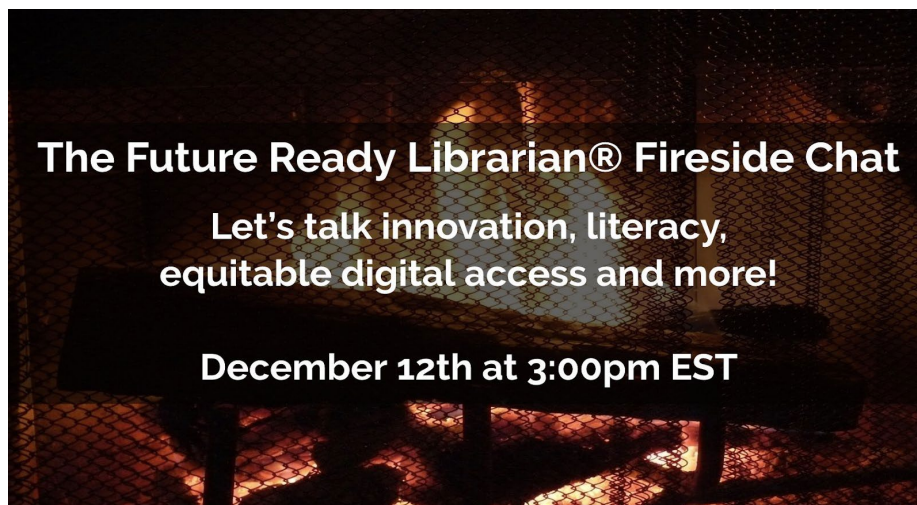
In Case You Missed It



Scaling Up Deeper Learning Approaches in Public Schools

Deeper learning approaches help students develop critical thinking, collaboration, and communication skills alongside academic skills that are necessary for success. However, effective ways to sustain and scale up these learning approaches remain elusive, especially in underserved and under-resourced schools. In this webinar, experts from the field and researchers discuss the challenges and opportunities educators and district leaders face in expanding deeper learning. They also highlight how three networks — Big Picture Learning, Internationals Network for Public Schools, and New Tech Network—have partnered with traditionally structured public school districts to spread deeper learning models, advance equity, and achieve greater success for traditionally marginalized students.

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Future Ready Librarians® Fireside Chat

In the last Future Ready Librarian webinar of the year, Shannon McClintock Miller talked with a few special guests about favorite books, authors, technology, trends, ideas, advocacy tips, and other top things that have been happening in the library and within education in 2019.

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Federal Flash ⚡



Funding Secured for HBCUs; IMPACT OF TRUMP'S IMMIGRATION POLICIES ON CHILDREN

Federal Flash covers federal funding for historically black colleges; the impact of the Trump Administration's immigration policies on children; international test results; and a debate on education with Democratic presidential candidates.

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All4Ed is Your Resource on K-12 Federal Education Laws

To keep you up to date on the latest happenings and implementation of the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) and the Strengthening Career and Technical Education for the 21st Century Act (Perkins V), All4Ed has created a series of bite-sized materials – both print and



video – that provide concise but comprehensive analyses of several key areas within ESSA and Perkins V.

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All4Ed in the News

Reporting on Foster Youth Under ESSA

It's been two years since states have reported the graduation rates of foster children under ESSA, but

the federal government has not yet made the information public, reports the *Kansas City Star*. “These are our children. They are legally our children,” said All4Ed’s Phillip Lovell in the *Star*. “The least that we could do is report on their progress in school. We should know it and do something about it.”

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Four Years Later, Is ESSA Working?

On the four year anniversary of ESSA passing, *The 74* asked: Is ESSA working? In response, All4Ed’s Anne Hyslop said, “If your main priority under ESSA was to empower states to make decisions, I think you would say yes, ESSA is working.” But, when it comes to the law’s civil rights guardrails, Hyslop said the answer is no.

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How the Blue Ribbon Awards Have Changed with More Data

The Blue Ribbon award, which recognizes schools successful in closing achievement gaps between student demographic groups, has changed over the years as schools look more closely at students’ socioeconomic data, explained All4Ed’s Anne Hyslop in *The Baltimore Sun*. Now, states can see whether or not student subgroups are seeing growth in their scores, she said.

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Higher Graduation Rates Help Everyone

How would higher high school graduation rates benefit students in Michigan? All4Ed’s President and CEO Deb Delisle shared the economic impact data of raising Michigan’s high school graduation rate to 90 percent on *WHMI*, including major increases in home sales, auto sales, health care, and more.

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'School is a safe place:' How this Colorado teacher talks to students worried about immigration raids

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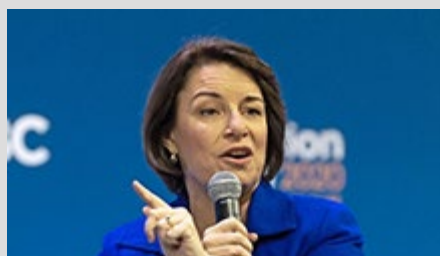
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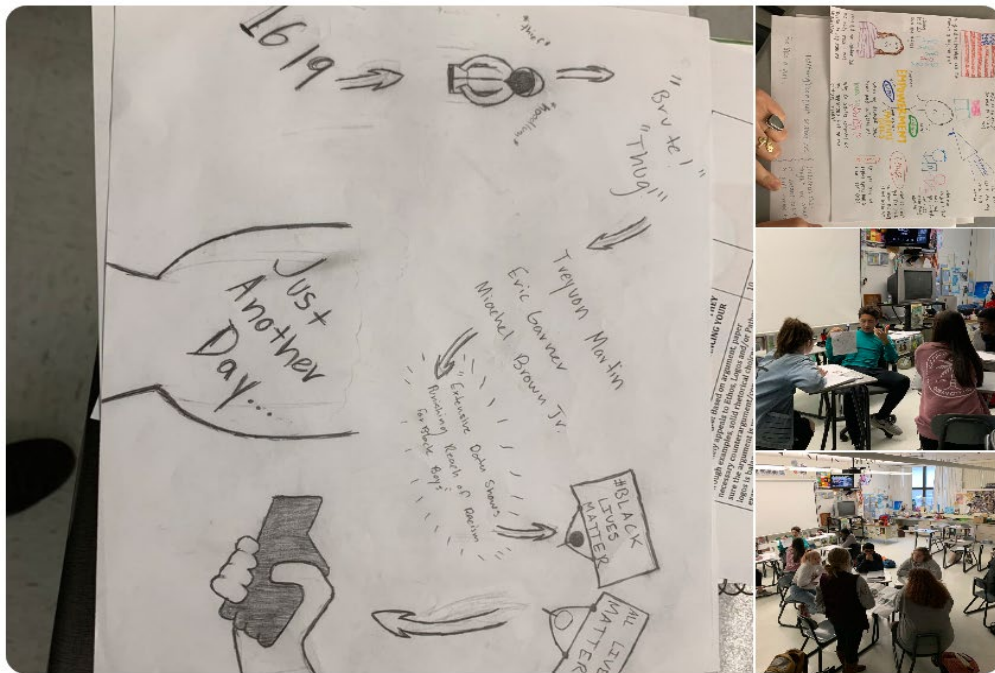
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