Letting Success Lead

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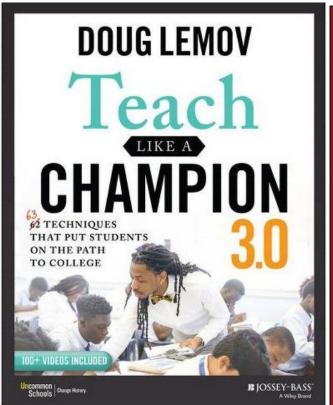
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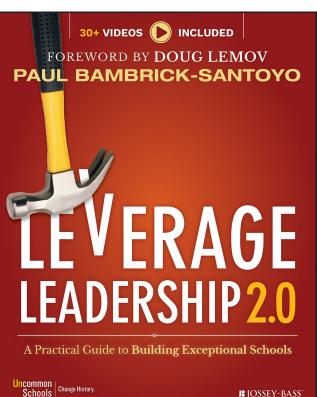
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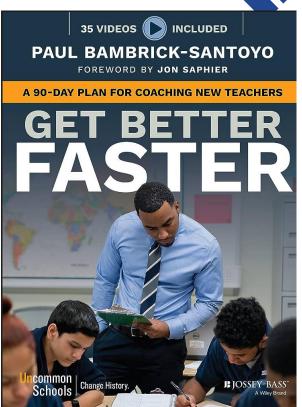


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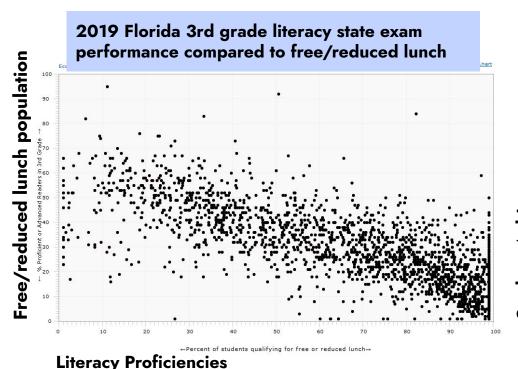
A local (and national) education story

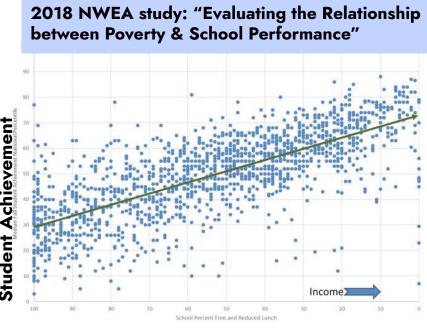




Student performance and socioeconomic status

• **Reflection:** What stands out to you as you look at these graphs?





Family Income

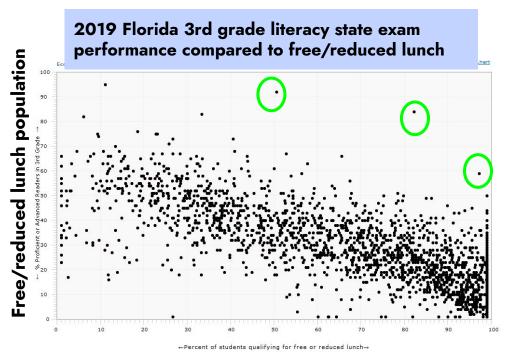
But what if we focused on success?





Another way of looking at it





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Solutions to our problems exist.

We just need to uncover them.

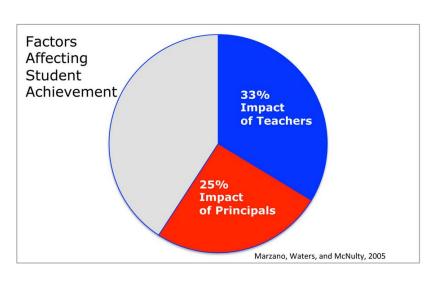
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Professional Development





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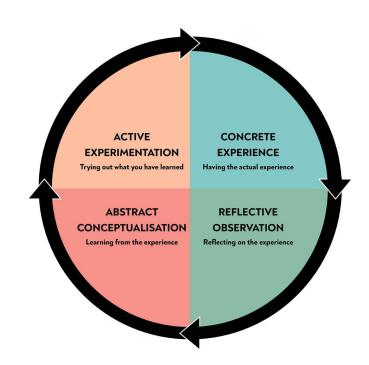
But we also know that PD quality is inconsistent at best.

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Source: U.S. Department of Education

Kolb Cycle

- Research supports effectiveness of this cycle with adult learners
- Learning from the exemplar is one variation of this model



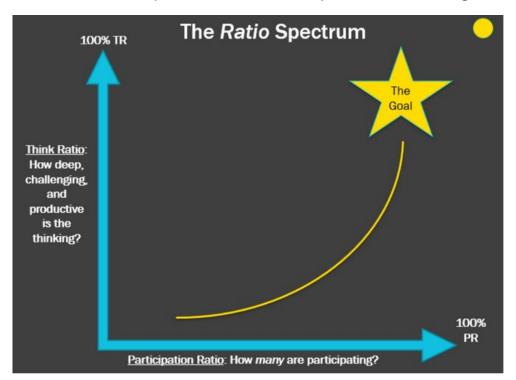
Steps to Learning from the Exemplar

- See It model or show footage; learners analyze the model
- Name It codify technique(s) in shared vocabulary and key tenets
- **Do It -** bite-size practice; learners plan and then implement the techniques live and receive feedback from a master
- **Follow up** learners implement within the scope of a full lesson rehearsal or real lesson; leader monitors implementation and shares feedback if applicable

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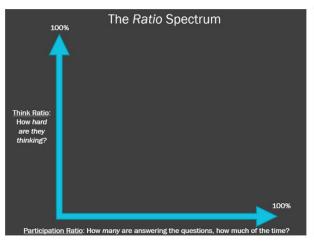
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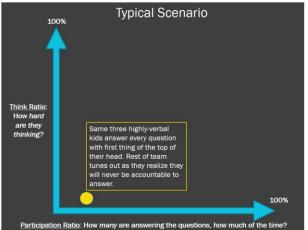


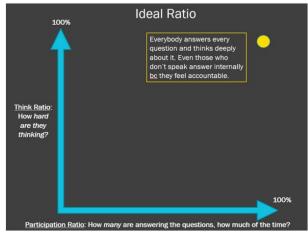
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Begin Scene





As you watch, **reflect**: What evidence of think ratio do you see in this clip? What actions does Jessica take to increase the participation and think ratio in her class?

Uncommon Impact

Jessica Bracey

North Star Middle School Grade 5 Writing

Everybody Writes Clip 1792 "Listen, things have changed."

Name It - Ratio



3 "paths" to Jess' high ratio:

- Writing: <u>launch with an "Everybody Writes"</u> to get all students in the room engaging with the content
- Questioning: use a variety of questioning strategies, including turn and talk, cold call, right is right, and stretch it
- **Discussing:** <u>prioritize student conversation and voice</u> by ensuring multiple students speak consecutively without teacher voice

Do It (Planning) - Ratio



Your Turn!

- [3 min] Choose a Lesson Activity to Propel Ratio
 - Identify a lesson activity for an everybody writes discuss sequence within Monday's lesson materials
- [5 min] Script Ratio Moves
 - Directions for the everybody writes
 - Calling sequence (turn & talk, cold call, hands), questions, and follow up sequence

Do It (Practice) - Ratio



Your Turn! In trios...

- [2 min] Share context
 - Share relevant lesson context with your partners:
 - The EW/discussion question
 - What partial answer, all-the way there answers might sound like
- [4 min] Take it live!
 - "Teachers" mimic authentic discussion by sharing both partial and all-the-way answers
- [2 min] Feedback
 - Use feedback cheatsheet on pg. 6 of your handout
- [2 min] Redo most challenging moment
- [10 min x2] Switch Teachers

End Scene

Reflect as a Leader



Now, put on your leader hat:

- What makes this "see it, name it, do it" structure effective?
- What element(s) are you most eager to add to your leadership practice?

Name It



See It -

- Video or live model that offers a true exemplar
- Demonstrates transferable technique(s) that can be implemented by others
- Is fun and inspiring!

Name It -

- Offers shared vocabulary for ongoing learning, coaching, and development
- Language is catchy and memorable, increasing likelihood of retention

Do It -

- Gives an opportunity for authentic practice and feedback
- When applicable, gets increasingly complex
- Ensures all teachers participate and are accountable

Do It - Apply to your Leadership Context



Plan a future development opportunity for your team:

- Determine development opportunity
 - **Leaders:** What instructional practice would your teachers benefit from receiving via a professional development session?
 - Authorizers: What is a component of the charter application or renewal process that charters struggle with?
 - Operators: What is operational practice your team could grow in?
- See It How will you model it?
 - o Is there an exemplar document/resource/teaching that highlights this practice?
- Name It What shared language will you use?
 - O How would you codify this practice?
- Do It What will the practice look like?
 - O How can I isolate the skill or practice in the time available to me?
- Push Ahead: When could I train on this?

Teacher Coaching

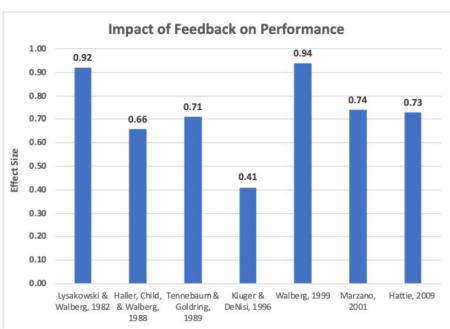




Going Beyond Professional Development



"Professional development effectiveness suffers if administrators do not assess whether the teachers are implementing the training correctly in their classrooms. Feedback is one of the most powerful tools available to principals for improving performance." (Fink & Markhold, 2011; Kluger & DeNisi, 1996)



Setting the Scene



Context - Ashley has just named the teacher's action step:

Monitor student work during independent practice by:

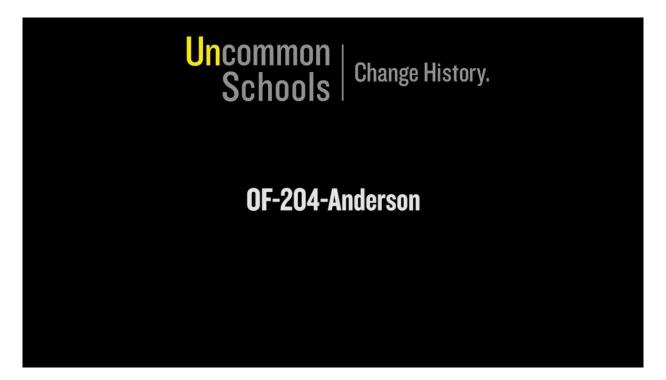
- Identifying 1-3 components of mastery you will look for
- Marking every student's paper as you circulate (check for correct; circle point of error if incorrect)
- Collecting data on your clipboard for each student

She has also given the teacher time to plan so she can practice monitoring live during their meeting.





As you watch, reflect: What's powerful about Ashley's coaching?



Name It



Practice Authentically

• Use the teacher's classroom and/or real student work if possible.

Multiple Rounds of Practice

- Quickly intervene if practice needs improvement, and repeat until the practice is successful!
- If teacher continues to struggle, model the skill for them.

Lock it in & Follow up

- "How did we meet our action step?"
- Plan for observation & real-time feedback: set a date
- Plan follow up tasks (observe a master teacher, film self, etc.)

Teachers are the backbone of our student success.

If we develop great teachers, we are building great schools.

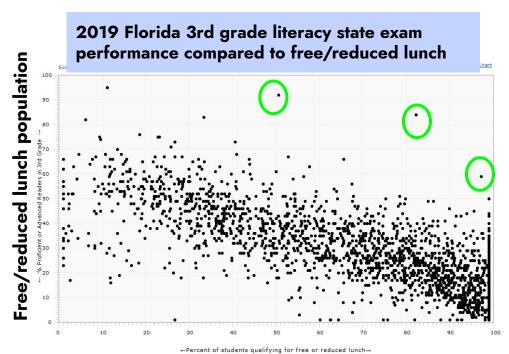
Reflect

- What are your top takeaways about raising student achievement in our schools?
- What could the Teaching, Learning, Leadership pillar of the Institute best support you with? What additional questions do you have have?



Learning from Success





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What's Ahead for FCI?





FCI's Instructional Launch

To serve as Florida's premier hub for charter excellence and insight by providing research-based best practices, resources, and support.

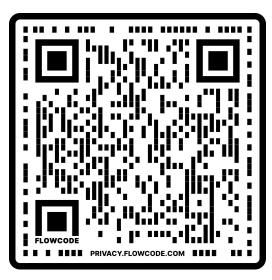




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WHO	Teachers of all contents, gradespans, and experience levels!
WHAT	A professional learning group focused on the core tenets of instructional practice: exemplary lesson preparation, purposeful monitoring, and facilitating high-ratio, rich discourse.
WHEN	Quarterly Zoom: October 26th, Dec., Feb., April; 3:30-5:30 p.m
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