

Quotable Quotes

“Students’ opportunities for learning and knowing are crucially dependent on the **nature** of the activities in which they engage... and on the functions that language performs in these activities.” Wells, Gordon (Ed.) *Action, Talk And Text*, p.184

“Inquiry is a **philosophical stance** rather than a set of strategies, activities, or a particular teaching method.” Mills, Heidi *From The Ground Up: Creating A Culture Of Inquiry*, p.xviii

“Dewey advocated learning by doing, and a curriculum that involved the **mind, hands, and heart.**” Partnership for 21st Century Skills, p.3

“What we know now is that just as facts alone do not constitute true knowledge and thinking power, so thinking processes cannot proceed without **something to think about.**” Resnick, L. B. and Hall, M. W. (1998). Education yesterday, education tomorrow. *Daedalus*, 127(4), 89 – 118.

“The National Science Education Standards (National Research Council) describe the **essential science content** that all students must have the opportunity to learn and that **inquiry provides a context** within which the content is to be learned.” NSTA website

“Collaboration takes lots of work. Positive relationships start slowly and build over time. Partnerships require **trust and caring.** You can't wait around the media center hoping for teachers to come visit. You must go to them in their classrooms, lounges, and offices. Start with simple, motivating activities and projects. My first year as a media specialist I used a two-pronged approach. I looked for one friendly teacher at each grade level and began building a relationship. At the same time, I sought out teacher teams who already worked well together and asked if I could join them. Once these teachers saw the benefits of collaboration it was easy to get to the rest of the teachers on board. They even started coming to me.” A. Lamb <<http://virtualinquiry.com/inquiry/ips.htm>>

Inspiring Sites

AASL – Standards for the 21st Century Learner
<http://www.nsta.org/about/positions/beyond2000.aspx>

The Partnership for Twentieth Century Skills
<http://www.21stcenturyskills.org/index.php>

From Trivial Pursuit to Essential Questions
<http://fno.org/feb01/pl.html>

3 Phases – Project Development Structure
<http://www.project-approach.com/development/phases.htm>