




Designing Productive Community Conversations

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Thank you for coming to our session!

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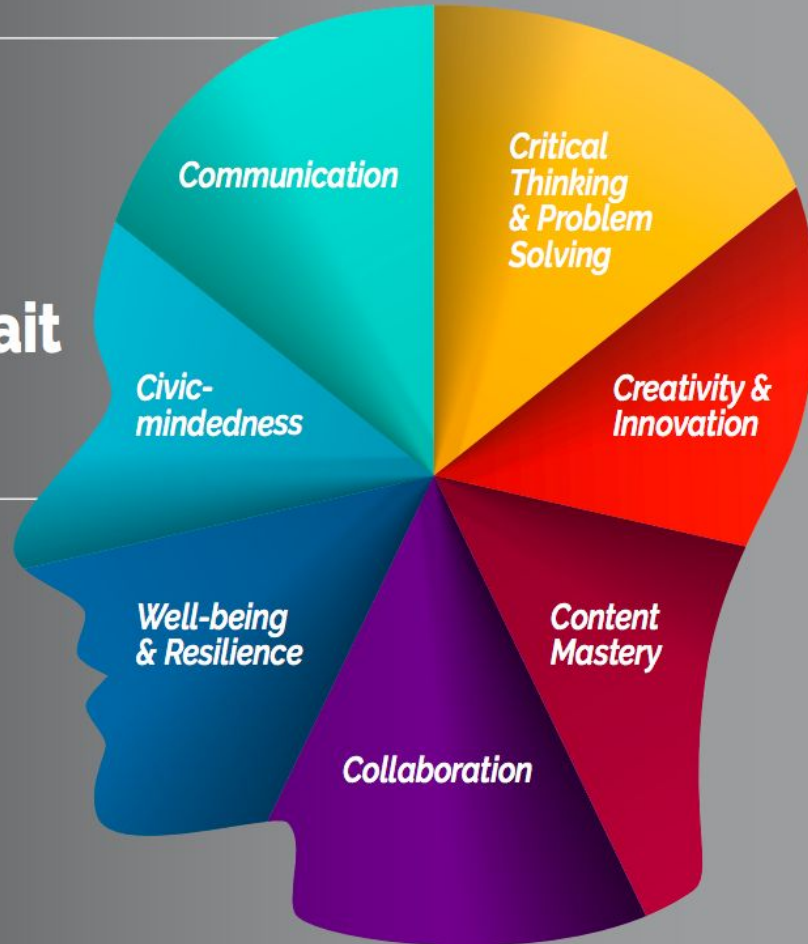
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Saint Peter Public Schools

What's the
question? What do
we want to know?

Saint Peter Public Schools Graduate Portrait

Saint Peter Public Schools is committed to developing career, college, and life readiness skills in our PreK-12 students to prepare them for their future.



Our Goals for the Community Conversations

- Further develop public's connection to the school district
- Gather community perspective on a specific question
- Attract and capture diverse voices

The How--Design and Process

Small Group Conversations

Shared Notetaking

Impartial Facilitation

Flexibility



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Guidelines

1. Allow each person to speak
2. Respectfully listen to every idea
3. Dig deep and think creatively
4. Silence cell phones

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CREATIVITY

CRITICAL THINKING

WRITING SKILLS

COMMUNICATION - WRITING & VERBAL

MULTICULTURALISM

COMMUNITY AWARENESS

SOCIAL JUSTICE

INFORMATIONAL AWARENESS

PUBLIC SPEAKING

FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY

ADAPTABILITY

READING - LITERACY

OPEN-MINDEDNESS

HUMILITY

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FAILING WITH GRACE

APPRECIATION FOR ARTS

INDIVIDUALITY VS. TEAM AWARENESS

NO FEAR OF FAILURE

RESILIENCE

INITIATION OF CHANGE

ADVOCACY

VERSATILE

PASSION

EMBRACING OF DIVERSITY

TECHNOLOGICAL COMPETENCE

LEADERSHIP + BY EXAMPLE

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CRITICAL THINKING

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#1 Skills

ADVOCACY

MULTICULTURALISM

CREATIVITY

EMBRACING FAILURE

COMMUNICATION SKILLS WRITING

LEADING BY EXAMPLE

PASSION

CONFIDENCE

Shared Notetaking

Top 3 Skills & Characteristics	How is STP currently developing this skill?	How should STP develop this skill?
1.		
2.		
3.		

Notetaking - Participant Worksheet

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Publicity

- Backpack flyer
- Twitter/Facebook
- Newspaper article (press release)
- Newspaper calendar
- Personal outreach
- Community partners

Challenges and Opportunities

Strategies for Adaptation in Your Community

Be Intentional about Design

Demonstrate

Responsiveness to Input

Ask Genuine Questions

Create an Invitational

Document Input

Setting

Thank You and Appreciation

Gustavus Communication Studies Department

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Questions
