LDOE Acceleration – Asynchronous Module 3 – Transcript

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Hello, and welcome to our next video in the acceleration in mathematics series that we are providing for Louisiana. My name is Mary Davis, and I am with the Charles A. Dana Center and I'm very excited about our content today because it's all about the role of mindset in our acceleration.

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So, as we get started as we always do, I wanted to talk to you about what exactly this accelerate is, because some people pick up in the middle of the series, and so we always want to take a little bit of time to look back before moving forward.

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And so, accelerate is this belief and it needs to be in our heads and our hearts that all students can achieve high expectations. All. Tiny little word; big meaning. All students can achieve high expectations, regardless of their background family income or zip code.

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So our outcomes today... We're going to really look at what that idea of malleable intelligence and brain growth is all about.

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We're going to determine what ideas are known to be most critical to shaping student learning and academic success, and then we want to engage in these ideas in order to promote student success.

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We agree that we are going to come as we are. So, whether we're at school; whether we're at home; whether we're at the pool; wherever we are is a great place to be right now.

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We asked though that wherever you are you take this time to really take to heart what it is that we're talking about.

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Remember that learning is iterative. It's not going to come one time poof and everything is going to come to you it's going to have to be embraced over and over again.

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So you might catch something the first time you watch this or maybe as you're talking to a colleague, you might hear something that you didn't catch that they did.

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But remember, that's Okay! Because it's that process of going over it, and trying it and seeing if it works, making those adjustments and trying again.

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that brings that learning to life. And then finally, embrace the pause. Sometimes in the videos, I will actually ask you to stop for just a moment and do something. It might be to write something down; it might be to read something...

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But even if I don't, if you need a moment to really think about what we just talked about, just hit the pause button for a sec. Embrace the pause pause think about it, and before you move forward.

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do and you can get a copy of this Jamboard three ways. I wanted to make sure that it was as easy as possible for you to get since we're doing this on the video only.

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So the first way is, if you have Jamboard on your phone and you, you do have to have the Jamboard app, you can use the QR code there and it'll take you right to it, no problem.

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If you don't then you're probably going to have to pause right now and either use the real link, which is really long, but I know that some people have trouble with the tiny URLs so the real link is that top one, and it is a doozy or you can try that tiny URL, LDOEmindsetCS, card sort.

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Okay, so just pause right now, and one of these three ways get to that card sort, then start the video backup so that we can continue to talk about what you're going to do.

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Thank you so you're going to be asked to make a copy of the card sort or you already have if you've gone into one of these three ways.

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00:05:06.960 --> 00:05:22.710 I didn't give you those titles and I didn't on purpose. Okay, because I want you to see how you can come up with

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So you're going to take the eight cards, sort them into two groups that you think is the most logical way to sort them. Then, you will name the two groups using the sticky notes.

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And then return to the recording when you finished it and we're going to talk about it just a little bit.

00:05:51.750 --> 00:05:56.100 There were many ways that you could have sorted these, it is not

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that you had to have done it this way. But I do want to discuss it this way, so, even if you sorted it in another way, take a moment to to listen in and and hear the difference

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First off, let me explain to you, under no circumstances, am I saying that acceleration yea or remediation bad. Instead what we're saying is that there is

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a way to present the opportunities for learning in such a way that the students mindsets are in a better place. And because they're in a better place, it can help them move forward in the learning,

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into a place that they feel that they can't get out of. So we have to be careful that if we use that remediation,

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we're using it in such a way that it gets them the remediation they need, and then get them back to the class get them back to that on grade level learning. That's what you will mainly see the difference here.

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In acceleration you'll notice connected to new on grade level content. It's going to be applied immediately.

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All right, So yes, maybe the students are having trouble multiplying and you need them to multiply in order to do what you're doing. Great! You can focus on those skills for just a brief moment to help them remember what it is that that's all about.

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But then bring them to the on grade level content. We don't want to take them back to that grade and leave them there.

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Okay, especially if you're a high school teacher, that was what I taught, you're a high school teacher.

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You're sitting here thinking and they got to go all the way back to fractions you don't want to take them back to fractions and leave them there.

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You want to get them the help that they need to fractions and then you want to get them right back up into the grade level, so you can move them forward. And that goes for any grade level. I just use high school as an example, because you can see in remediation

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it would be the understanding that they have to master all unfinished learning prior to the grade level. Well folks, if they're two or three years behind and they are in your classroom,

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you're not going to finish two or three years of learning with them and then get them your grade level as well. It's impossible.

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That's what I was talking about earlier. That's when those kids get in that mindset that they cannot do it, they can't crawl out of this hole.

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Think with me if you went to a faculty meeting or a math department meeting or some kind of meeting all right, and you went to it this week.

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And then you went to it next week, and it was the exact same information maybe taught taught in a little bit different way, but the exact same information and then you went to it, the next week, and it was taught in the exact same way.

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but we don't want to stay there. The idea is not to stay there. Relevance... unfinished learning is connected to on grade level core content. On grade level again alright? Do you start to see a pattern here?

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In remediation we still have groups, you have some groups over here this these three kids don't understand multiplication so we're going to pull them into a small group.

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Alright, there's nothing wrong with that. There is nothing wrong to that. But it says they're going to stay in that group and we're going to reteach those concepts using prior grade level materials.

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That means if we're going three grade levels back to get to that multiplication then we're going to go through grade levels back materials.

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Well, if you're sitting in a sixth grade class or seventh grade classroom and all of a sudden you're back doing, third and fourth grade work, what does that do

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Well, in fact we don't use the word loss, which is absolutely fantastic that that Louisiana is taken out. It's unfinished learning. It's not loss.

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They didn't lose it. We're gonna lift those kids. We're going to keep them on grade level. We're going to lift them up to that next level.

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Okay, we don't want to use that "catch up" word. We don't want to use that "behind" or "We're going to take a test and we're going to find out exactly absolutely everything possible that you need to do before you can do what's in class." NO!

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We want to emphasize the lift over the loss. So again, you may have had some different categories, but the ideas should be very similar because, as we looked at that were we knew we were heading into this next section, which is mindsets.

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I think most of you probably have seen the mindset information that we've done with content leader work and things like that in the past, and if you have it it's up on Louisiana

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Believes as well. But we're going to approach it a little bit different this time because we really do want to keep it in the context of the work that we're doing now, alright? So let's visualize something.

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And we're talking about math here so some of you guys are naturals at math; some of you have had to work at math.

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Solving quadratic equations. Okay, it took a lot of effort, practice, probably lots of failure but eventually you got it.

74 00:13:29.940 --> 00:13:31.170 Okay, with mine,

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it was playing the clarinet and I can remember my parents saying the first band recital that they came to,

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that it was everything in their power to give a standing ovation at the end because they didn't even know what our band was playing. A lot of effort, a lot of practice lots of failure but

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with the support I got through it and I got better. So research tells us that both of these experiences informed your theories about how your abilities work.

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developed in one way in one theory and if you struggled but learned it another way. Alright? So one belief you may have developed is that abilities are fixed.

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That means we come into the world good at some things and bad at others and we're always going to stay that way. We call it fixed or closed mindset.

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Another belief is that skills and abilities are malleable, that you can learn from, improve at, just about anything with enough effort and help. And usually this is called a growth mindset, or sometimes they actually use the word malleable.

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Every person has a mix of both the fixed and the growth mindset.

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There are very few people on this earth, that will say like look at those four pictures. There's some people that look at those four pictures and go, "I am never... there's no way I could ever get up on this on the surfboard and surf. No way!"

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That's partially a fixed mindset could be based, in fact, because maybe you've tried it, but it could also just be a fear or something else that's keeping us behind.

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So research suggests that when the students tap into a growth mindset that's what's going to help them succeed in school.

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Believing you can get better in math (That's that growth mindset) believing you can get better in math is more helpful than believing that you're bad at math and there's not anything that you can do about it.

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So let's think about a mindset loop here. Okay? We've got a little guy over here, and he says, I can learn to play the piano.

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Okay, he believes it. He goes he takes lessons. He practices and practices and practices. He makes lots of mistakes, okay, he hits those weird chords all craziness.

89 00:16:15.720 --> 00:16:25.470 He plays in front of others, maybe at home, maybe at the holiday time you know he plays little concerts. And he gets feedback

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from maybe professionals in as far as teaching maybe from parents, whatever. He's exposed to different kinds of music and he plays for his own enjoyment. The result is he gets better at playing the piano and his mindset says, I improved quite a bit maybe I'm ready for another instrument.

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But then you have another student that says, I can never learn to play the piano I have no musical talents at all.

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Sometimes that's attached to, "my parents didn't have musical talent; my grandparents didn't have musical talent" or something along those lines. But she has totally convinced herself, she has no musical talent whatsoever.

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She stops even listening to bands with keyboards. She's like, "I have no musical talent; I can never learn to play the piano I don't want to listen to this stuff."

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The result is she gets no better at playing the piano and the loop is closed by her saying see I told you.

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This is why growth and fixed mindsets are so much of powerful forces.

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People with growth mindsets believe that they are in control of their abilities, that they can learn, grow, and improve their skills.

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With this belief they're more likely to put in the action, working hard, taking feedback, overcoming challenges, understanding that mistakes are going to happen.

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All these things make them good at things by practicing. Actions lead to results and the results confirm the belief and the cycle continues upward - the lift.

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00:18:46.350 --> 00:18:54.510 They believe that their abilities, their intelligence, their skills have limits, like they're set in stone.

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to do any of the work that helps them improve. If they've convinced themselves they can't do math, then, "Why do the homework? I can't do math."

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00:19:10.140 --> 00:19:12.780 "Why study for a test? I'm going to fail it anyway."

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When they don't put in the work, then they don't get the results, but that confirms what they believed.

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So there's a loop no matter which way you look at it, but one spirals them up because I'm practicing, I'm trying, I'm getting better. I can do more.

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00:19:56.250 --> 00:19:59.850 I've been known to throw my hands up and say I can't do this and walk away from something.

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True story, recently I was given the hardest puzzle because I love to do puzzles. I was given the hardest puzzle I've ever seen. The pieces all fit with each other, all of them, it was insanity.

114 00:20:17.670 --> 00:20:19.290 At first I was like,

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"No way!" and I slid it back into the box and put it back into the cupboard. But I turned around I came back to it. I knew it wasn't going to be easy, and in reality the puzzle is still my dining room table,

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but I tried. I found tools that could help. I had a magnifying glass. I found a divider so that I could divide the pieces of colors and the tones.

117 00:20:47.940 --> 00:21:00.120 All right, it's not a fast process at all. I'm not sure when i'll be able to use my dining table again, but I do know that when it's done, I will be very proud of myself.

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I could have taken the fixed approach, I could have found that 50 piece puzzle of the United States, something that I'm familiar with, and then it's not a challenge for me.

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So read these a student's view of intelligence and think about those two examples that I just gave when the student believes that intelligence is fixed, they tend to avoid challenges. They're going to look for easy successes.

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Passing up learning opportunities that easy puzzle, the one I done 20 times and I was so used to it.

121 00:21:37.500 --> 00:21:41.250 They desire to look smart at all costs.

122 00:21:42.840 --> 00:21:50.040 And when it's when they don't look smart, it's because "they aren't good at that."

123 00:21:51.480 --> 00:21:53.520 And they worry about failure

124 00:21:55.260 --> 00:21:56.820 and questioning their ability.

12500:21:59.430 --> 00:22:04.320But think about that student that believes that intelligence is malleable.

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They pursue and enjoy challenges. They saw that puzzle, and they were like, "I think that that is exactly what I need to do."

12700:22:18.240 --> 00:22:22.590They care less about looking smart. If they make mistakes, so be it.

128 00:22:23.700 --> 00:22:25.110 That's what it's all about.

12900:22:26.580 --> 00:22:29.940And they engage in self monitoring and self instruction.

13000:22:31.290 --> 00:22:36.780If you've never had a chance to read some of Carol Dweck's information this came from

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"Mindset, the New Psychology of Success." She also has a really good Ted Talk, if you like to just watch things instead of reading all kinds of research. It is very interesting work, and I think you'd enjoy that. So, let's play a game.

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I'm going to put a statement on the board and you're going to tell me whether it is a fixed mindset, or whether it is a malleable or a growth mindset.

13300:23:07.350 --> 00:23:11.550I didn't do my homework. What's the difference? I'm just dumb at math.

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If you hear someone that says that they're just dumb at something, it's a red flag for fixed mindset. There are limits, though.

136 00:23:30.870 --> 00:23:45.450 To tell you that you're dumb at math is not appropriate. That's a fixed, closed mindset. But to say that they're not as good in math as they are in English language arts, because they like to write that's a true statement that's okay.

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Just say that they're terrible at basketball because they're four foot six, well chances are they're never going to play on a professional basketball team.

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Praising effective effort can help students see the work and the perseverance can pay off at the end.

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145 00:24:58.290 --> 00:25:02.310 It is still a growth mindset. Frustration is okay.

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Frustration is okay. The fact that this person, and could be an adult or child, eventually says, "I can do this," indicates that they're trying to persevere through it, and that is a growth mindset.

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If they said "I can't do this. It's the fourth time I've tried this. I must be really stupid at it." That's when it moves into a fixed mindset.

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because they're used to those. Remember, we talked about the fact that students or adults whomever look for the easy way through things. If you've done a problem exactly like the one on the test, that's an easy way through things. When there's a challenge on the test,

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All the students that are at least two grade levels behind in math are put into their own class, so that it can proceed at a slower rate.

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This kind of refers back to that chart that we did earlier. This is a fixed, closed, mindset and it's not because they're put into a group.

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The reason that is a fixed, closed, mindset is you are putting them to grade levels behind, and they are going at a slower rate.

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Well, if they're already two grade levels behind and they're going at a slower rate, I'm really not quite sure when they're ever going to get the grade level.

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That's a teachers fixed or closed mindset that these kids cannot succeed unless they have all the stuff before.

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It's Okay, my father wasn't good at math and I wasn't good at math so you obviously inherited our math gene.

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Yeah definitely fixed. We've all heard it. There is no math gene. There's no music gene. There are no two left feet. With practice, you can get better!

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If they opted not to pursue a mathematics career and are uncomfortable with the material perhaps provide some sentence stems and questions that will help their children when they get home with the math homework.

163 00:28:08.940 --> 00:28:12.840 And our last one: You are trying so hard.

164 00:28:17.070 --> 00:28:18.150 Yeah, this is a trick.

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Praising effort, we talked about it earlier, is a growth mindset attribute, but you have to be careful. Remember, earlier we praised the work that they were trying to do, and we praised the effort into the work, this is "you're trying so hard."

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It doesn't really say what they're trying hard to do. It doesn't give them that extra understanding. Just trying harder when you're learning something does not promote a growth mindset.

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00:28:57.780 --> 00:29:10.770 But it's kind of that argument that a lot of people have about well is giving them a medal just because they participated really helping their ability or their

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00:29:12.000 --> 00:29:18.270 learning of a topic? And so you're trying so hard just falls a little bit short.

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00:29:19.350 --> 00:29:24.870 You need to explain what they're doing, how they're trying hard, and where they can grow from that.

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00:29:27.870 --> 00:29:30.750 So now we're going to go into the brain.

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There's a lot of brain research out there, and I'm not going to go into tons of brain research in fact

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Carol Dweck and other researchers (that's the person that I told you that you should look into) also recommend that educators demystify intelligence for their students.

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It's very difficult for students, and some adults even, to understand what's going on in their brain that makes them understand something.

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So one way to do this is to share details about how the brain changes as we learn. So we have

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00:30:18.840 --> 00:30:31.440 a video that illustrates the neuroscience behind the learning and it's kind of really cool because

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it's not going into the brain as much

as it's taking a hike in the Andes Mountains. So it's very interesting and I think you'll like it. So this is from a BBC documentary called The Human Body, and as you watch it think about

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how the students could connect this with what's happening in their brain when they're struggling through something. As for every single one of us, learning something new means rearranging how our brain works. Our brain has an astonishing 100 billion neurons, brain cells, all connected together.

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Learning is about creating and strengthening pathways through these neurons that impulses of electricity. But between each and every connection in our brain is a tiny gap called a synapse. For any of us to learn something new, the electrical signal has to jump across this gap to continue its journey.

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2 00:00:00,734 --> 00:00:02,297 - As for every single one of us,

3 00:00:02,297 --> 00:00:06,216 learning something new means rearranging the way our brain works.

4 00:00:09,234 --> 00:00:15,414 (swooshing noises)

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6 00:00:22,568 --> 00:00:24,336 all connected together.

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00:00:41,943 --> 00:00:46,807 the electrical signal has to jump across this gap to continue its journey. 00:00:49,345 --> 00:00:51,325 (loud electrical sounds)

14 00:00:59,884 --> 00:01:02,327 (carabiners clanking)

15 00:01:03,535 --> 00:01:06,208 ♪ (pensive music) ♪

16 00:01:06,208 --> 00:01:09,398 The gap between the two brain cells is tiny,

17 00:01:09,398 --> 00:01:12,878 but that doesn't mean it's straightforward for a signal to get from one side

18 00:01:12,878 --> 00:01:13,603 to the other.

19 00:01:13,603 --> 00:01:14,520 ♪ (music swells) ♪

20 00:01:14,520 --> 00:01:16,049 (hawk screeches)

21 00:01:17,219 --> 00:01:20,775 For us, it's like crossing a deep ravine.

22 00:01:27,570 --> 00:01:31,604 ♪ (pulsing music) ♪

23 00:01:32,832 --> 00:01:36,240 And getting from one side to the other should tell us something about

24 00:01:36,240 --> 00:01:37,690 the way we learn.

25 00:01:39,612 --> 00:01:43,691 The first time a signal crosses from one brain cell to the other

26 00:01:43,691 --> 00:01:48,527 demands the most effort, and it's the same when we cross our ravine.

27 00:01:50,048 --> 00:01:52,311 The first trip across it is the hardest.

28 00:01:52,311 --> 00:01:57,279 ♪ (action music) ♪

29 00:02:04,699 --> 00:02:06,733 Having crossed the ravine once,

30 00:02:06,733 --> 00:02:09,431 the journeys across get easier and easier,

31 00:02:11,013 --> 00:02:14,231 and a similar thing happens when we learn something.

32 00:02:20,325 --> 00:02:22,821 To start with, learning is difficult.

33 00:02:23,605 --> 00:02:24,338 - Oop.

3400:02:30,960 --> 00:02:35,653But as the signal crosses the gap between the brain cells again and again,

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00:02:35,653 --> 00:02:38,107 we establish a more solid pathway.

36 00:02:40,622 --> 00:02:41,422 (thud)

37 00:02:43,458 --> 00:02:44,885 - Sorry about that.

3800:02:53,021 --> 00:02:55,825By the time we've made the crossing over and over again,

39 00:02:55,825 --> 00:02:57,393 it becomes effortless.

40 00:02:58,084 --> 00:03:00,781 We can do it whenever we like.

41 00:03:00,781 --> 00:03:09,201 ♪ (epic music) ♪

42 00:03:09,571 --> 00:03:11,971 We've finally learned something.

18700:34:14.850 --> 00:34:17.580So, again just take a moment and think about that.

188 00:34:19.380 --> 00:34:22.290 How would showing this quick video

189 00:34:23.760 --> 00:34:24.870 to your students

190 00:34:25.890 --> 00:34:28.200 help them understand what's going on

191 00:34:29.550 --> 00:34:31.500 in their mind; in their brain?

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00:34:35.550 --> 00:34:42.900 Well, whenever you are one of your students works on a task the brain uses those neurons to send information.

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So when a task is easy, a simple task that you do often like standing up sitting down, whatever, the information travels really easily, But when a task gets hard, we want to learn something new, the information does not transmit as easily.

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00:35:02.160 --> 00:35:09.420 So, it's the same way as going across that bridge. The first time across was the hardest. It was something new.

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00:35:10.260 --> 00:35:18.510 But the more that they went back and forth, and they added supports, and they added the pathway, and all that...

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The more that you do it, and the more we persist with challenging tasks over time, our brains change as our understanding grows. And like early childhood adolescence is a time when it is particularly easy to strengthen those connections in the brain.

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So how do you think that you might demystify intelligence with your students and with other colleagues?

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00:35:53.790 --> 00:35:58.410 So hit pause for just a moment here and reflect on this question after seeing this.

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00:36:00.990 --> 00:36:04.110 What are some ways that you could do this?

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So consider showing the video that we just showed and have a discussion about what they learned.

201 00:36:19.290 --> 00:36:24.150 Alright, a very intriguing way to think about your brain working.

202 00:36:25.710 --> 00:36:29.850 Model flexibility when approaching something frustrating.

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All right, remember that puzzle I talked about? I had different tools that could attack it from different points of view. I put it away for a little bit. I brought it back. But there's flexibility if it's frustrating.

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00:36:47.850 --> 00:36:52.800 And then introduce some new phrases. You may even have them on the walls and your classroom.

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"You are becoming more confident at (so and such}" or "I enjoyed the new way you approach that task." So these are things that you can say to the students, that they can say to each other, to get that that communication

00:37:14.340 --> 00:37:16.110 to be of growth mindset.

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If you're interested in learning more about this and it includes the video that was just shown.

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You can check out "Learning and the Adolescent Mind." It's one of our websites and the website is there, as well as the QR code if you'd rather use the QR code.

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But there is more evidence based practices; there's more research; the videos is there. Links to Carol Dweck's articles are there too.

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If this is something that is just piqued your interest, there's a lot more information that you can find out there and I wanted to provide a way for you to do so.

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So now we need to bring it all together. We're talking about this idea of mindset and we talked about the fact that we believe that all students can achieve, right? This acceleration idea. So, how do the two of these things unite.

212 00:38:24.300 --> 00:38:27.180 I'm going to give you a chance to read this for just a moment.

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I want you to close your eyes with me and picture a time in your education process that someone gave you something to do that you felt had nothing to do with real life.

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You had no control over it. They handed you a worksheet or project or something, and you were just like, "Ugh!"

215 00:39:21.030 --> 00:39:32.760 Right? It's happened. I know it's happened to almost everybody, so remember as you're planning your lessons as you're thinking through things when a student feels a sense of belonging...

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00:39:34.680 --> 00:39:40.980 believes the effort will increase ability and competence... believes success is possible...

217 00:39:42.150 --> 00:39:45.570 School work is interesting; School work is relevant...

218 00:39:46.950 --> 00:39:50.310 they're likely to persist at the academic tasks.

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00:39:52.410 --> 00:40:01.320 If you bring them into the classroom and you give them a packet that is 25 pages deep and goes over everything they should have learned last year,

220 00:40:03.960 --> 00:40:05.520 are we really going to get them?

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To to get that learning? Are we really expecting them to make those connections on their own? We need to make those connections; we need to keep them on grade level; we need to make sure that they feel success and they understand

222 00:40:43.170 --> 00:40:44.130 Now, what about conversely? No relevance.

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00:40:45.300 --> 00:40:54.810 Don't believe it's possible. They hear things from their teacher, where the teacher says, "you can't pass this class

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00:40:57.360 --> 00:41:05.100 because you don't have (this)" or "You can't pass this class because you never made up those three grades last week."

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If it's always you can't, you can't, you can't, you're not smart enough, you don't belong, you can't succeed...

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00:41:14.610 --> 00:41:15.690 They're going to give up.

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00:41:16.860 --> 00:41:22.470 Why bother trying if there's not someone there that believes that they can do it.

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00:41:23.760 --> 00:41:29.070 And so then, they end up with poor academic behaviors and low grades.

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00:41:33.210 --> 00:41:44.310 So this is basically just a picture that summarizes this. Research across a range of studies suggests that the educators (us, educators)

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play a key role in building positive mindsets. Students' academic identities, attitudes and beliefs about schooling are strongly influenced by the school and classroom environment in which learning is situated. It's all about that culture.

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00:42:04.110 --> 00:42:10.740 The structure of the academic work: the goals, support, feedback in that environment

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00:42:12.120 --> 00:42:16.110 and the implicit and explicit messages that they hear.

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00:42:18.000 --> 00:42:22.170 That means that you don't even have to say it. Sometimes your body says it.

234 00:42:23.850 --> 00:42:26.610 Sometimes the comment on the paper says it.

235 00:42:28.200 --> 00:42:29.790 Sometimes a look will say it.

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00:42:32.580 --> 00:42:44.760 Increasing student motivation to learn is ultimately contingent upon creating a set of circumstances when students take pleasure in learning and believe in themselves.

237 00:42:48.120 --> 00:42:50.820 And that the work is worth the effort.

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that's when they're going to learn the material. So it's that academic mindset is how the culture of the classroom leads to the academic behaviors.

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00:43:03.060 --> 00:43:14.820 And once those academic behaviors (remember the cycle?) once they start to believe that if I if I study, if I do the homework, if I go to

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class every day... If if I do all those things, then my academic outcomes will start going up, then I start to believe I can do it, then... you know what i'm saying... that that cycle that we talked about earlier. Same thing here.

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And again, I've given you three different ways that you can download it. This one is just an article on the web, so if you just want to read it on your phone, you can use the QR code. The long

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00:43:53.100 --> 00:43:58.830 address is the actual address, and then I also made a tiny URL for it.

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And I did not print this up for you on purpose, because in the article itself, there are links, to go to other information.

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So although right now we're going to just read the article and talk about the article,

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when you have an opportunity, you may want to go back further and go deeper into some of these different links that they have in the article, because the first time I read this I got lost in the links and I think you might too.

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So here's what you're going to do, I want you to get out a sheet of paper, and as you read the article, it's not that long of an article.

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I want you to think about ideas and information presented that connected with what you already do know; what you already have either learned today or that you already knew what was happening in the classroom. So, what is that connection piece?

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00:45:02.880 --> 00:45:06.180 What new ideas did you get that extended

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your thinking into new directions? And then what challenges or puzzles have come up in your mind from the ideas that you read here?

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You know, sometimes an article will really inspire and other times that it just challenges us to think deeper

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about the ideas. So maybe this one has some challenges for you. As you read this, individually record your personal connections, extensions, and challenges.

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If you have the opportunity, you might do this in your grade level or PLC time so that you could talk about it a little bit. But take some time now and read

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through this article. Pause the recording and then we'll continue together.

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Thank you for taking that time we asked some folks at the Dana Center and we asked some folks in Louisiana

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to read this ahead of time, since we knew it was going to be asynchronous learning and we wouldn't have that opportunity to talk through what they've learned and we wanted to share some reflections with you.

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One person responded, one thing that struck me is that the student did learn many things during the pandemic. Learning loss has been discussed widely, but the students did learn many things through the hardships.

258 00:46:52.200 --> 00:46:54.780 Anybody have some connections to that?

259 00:46:56.160 --> 00:46:59.130 The family dynamics? The support systems?

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The next person said that they liked the quote, and this was a really interesting quote, "The more you get inundated with deficit based language, the more that becomes your focus."

262 00:47:19.140 --> 00:47:19.890 Wow.

263 00:47:21.240 --> 00:47:22.230 So true.

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The more someone might really beat you into the ground, the more you you don't want to get back up again.

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00:47:31.890 --> 00:47:37.140 Negative impact on their self confidence, on their self worth, and on motivation.

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This person has a child, with autism, and so, made the reference to the National Center for Learning Disabilities.

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Last year we had our children at home right, so we had, like all these plates in the air. We were teaching our students online, we had our students at home that we were trying to teach, and

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00:48:10.650 --> 00:48:21.840 what we need to realize is that back in that the very first slide that I showed that little word "all."

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If we do something for a child with a learning disability, it benefits "normal" students as well. It truly creates an environment where all students can learn. It's "all" students, remember? We talked about that earlier on.

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And then, this one, the big green lettering really made a connection to me if we just keep building the kids up without giving them challenging work, it's like building a sand castle close to the shore it's going to fall apart.

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It is going to fall apart, with the first big wave. So it's important to give them the

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But it just can't be for nothing, you know? We need to give them that challenging work and believe that they can get it done.

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this person was making the connections between the RTI frameworks and how do we shift away from RTI frameworks and how long will it take.

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What's going to be the pushback? You know, sometimes we're so ingrained in what we're doing that it's difficult to make a turn, even if it's for the best, and I think that's what this person was saying.

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I like the resource and the links to relevant research was also a tool that helped me see where these ideas are pulled. So the extensions for this person was actually going into some of those other links, which is what I told you, you might want to do later on.

279 00:50:19.860 --> 00:50:21.420 It adds data

280 00:50:22.860 --> 00:50:31.830 to the arguments that you and I don't think the word arguments this probably meant arguments, but data to the discussions

281 00:50:33.270 --> 00:50:38.100 that you have with your parents or other stakeholders.

282 00:50:40.380 --> 00:50:45.090 I was optimistic in the idea of closing equity gaps.

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You know, we didn't even really talk about that, but this whole idea of keeping kids on grade level and and making sure that that spiral is moving upward for all students

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00:50:58.830 --> 00:51:00.000 that's all about equity.

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need to understand that we want all students to succeed, but it's going to take different levels of support for the different students and I think that's what this is all about.

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The ones that really need help, sometimes, take up like literally everything you got and I'm talking about your time, your energy, everything... and sometimes that leaves the ones that are either in the middle or on level or above.

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00:51:58.980 --> 00:52:04.320 have as much of you. So we need to be careful about that. I like that, as an extension.

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The extension came from number five provide opportunities to develop future ready skills.

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00:52:20.190 --> 00:52:27.060 This teacher said I not only have to get them ready for the next few years, but for future skills.

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00:52:28.140 --> 00:52:37.320 And then, this last statement really I really liked it when I was in school, who knew that a future skill would be teaching something on something called Zoom?

296 00:52:39.210 --> 00:52:39.690 Wow.

297 00:52:41.340 --> 00:52:44.850 No one got me ready for this when I was in school.

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00:52:46.710 --> 00:52:54.300 And then finally challenges. Are the teachers really planning? It's a challenge. It's a concern.

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And we need to make sure that that you know we are giving the time to it, but we need to make sure that way that the teachers are using that time.

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It's important that we realize that we've got a lot of stakeholders here the teachers, the administrators, the counselors, the students, the parents and we need to address them all.

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This person listed it as a challenge while the other folks listed it as an extension, but we have to realize that students come from different backgrounds, different socio-economic areas, different family dynamics, different languages.

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so that it's equity across so that it doesn't start to make those fissures even bigger in some of those areas.

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So building this classroom culture, first and foremost, the reason that it's red and it's bolded, is because it is like the most important piece of the puzzle.

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Above all else, teachers and students must believe that everyone can learn math at high levels. And I'd even go beyond that. I'd go to parents. I'd go to administrators.

309 00:55:10.440 --> 00:55:16.170 You got to get the word out there, everyone can learn math at high levels.

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Belonging is particularly important in an educational context, because human learning is socially constructed.

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We come to understand the world through our interaction with others.

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Students with this strong sense of academic belonging see themselves as members of this social community and the intellectual community.

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314 00:55:59.970 --> 00:56:02.250 in your particular academic environment.

315 00:56:05.580 --> 00:56:06.810 What about belief?

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00:56:08.820 --> 00:56:21.990 Self efficacy refers to your belief in your ability to execute behaviors necessary to produce specific performance and attainments.

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00:56:23.190 --> 00:56:36.120 So, for example, for students to expend the sustained effort necessary for learning, they must believe that their efforts can and will be successful.

318 00:56:37.740 --> 00:56:40.920 If students only anticipate failure 00:56:42.000 --> 00:56:45.750 or believe that they cannot do it well,

320 00:56:47.040 --> 00:56:48.360 they're not going to invest.

321 00:56:50.220 --> 00:56:55.530 If you can't say that top line on there, "I can succeed at this." If you don't believe that,

322 00:56:56.670 --> 00:56:59.280 then chances are you're not going to succeed at it!

323 00:57:03.570 --> 00:57:05.640 And finally, on this page is value.

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Students value academic tasks and topics that connect in some way to their lives. And I'm not talking about a word problem that talks about the name of their street or their dog.

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00:57:20.670 --> 00:57:29.850 I'm talking about topics that connect to their lives or their future educational careers or their current interests.

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00:57:30.900 --> 00:57:37.590 When students value their coursework they're much more likely to expend effort on completing it.

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00:57:39.150 --> 00:57:49.650 The value a student places on a given academic task is strongly associated with both persistence and performance on that task.

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00:57:56.100 --> 00:57:59.670 It needs to connect to their lives as they know it.

330 00:58:01.020 --> 00:58:02.670 Not as you think that it should be.

331 00:58:04.260 --> 00:58:05.970 Not as it was when you were growing up.

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So academic mindsets are critical levers for increasing student engagement and persistence necessary to develop other deeper learning competencies.

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Educators, remember educators, play a key role, we do, in building positive mindsets, students academic identities, attitudes and beliefs about schooling are strongly influenced by this school and the classroom environment in which it is situated.

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00:58:52.470 --> 00:58:56.670 So I want you to think about just a few ways that you can

33600:58:58.260 --> 00:59:04.620say some things that might help with the malleable growth mindset.

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00:59:06.840 --> 00:59:11.220 I like the way you tried all kinds of strategies until you found the one that worked for you.

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00:59:13.020 --> 00:59:23.880

That's basically saying you made 12 mistakes before you found one that works, but you're saying it in such a way that you're like Inlike all the kinds of strategies that you try.

00:59:25.170 --> 00:59:25.650 Okay.

340 00:59:27.150 --> 00:59:31.890 Steer clear of like wow you did great on that math problem, you must be a whiz at math.

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00:59:33.300 --> 00:59:43.260 What? Especially if they really worked hard at it and then you say that? For the second one, and I will tell you that I was so guilty of this one...

342 00:59:44.400 --> 00:59:46.230 See, I told you that was an easy question.

343 00:59:47.640 --> 00:59:48.600 You're so smart.

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We have to stop telling them that it's all about their smartness and what they have internally. It's how they work at it. It's the strategies. It's keeping at it, like the second one on the left: Ot was a long, hard assignment, but you stuck with it and got it done. That's great.

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01:00:12.570 --> 01:00:15.690 Instead of nice job. You got an A without even trying.

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I like the effort you put in. Let's work together some more and figure out what you don't understand.

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It's not saying it's perfect. It's not saying the effort alone is what needs to be discussed. It is saying "I like the effort you've been working really hard on this. Let's go in together and see if we can figure out a tweak that needs to be made."

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01:00:45.870 --> 01:00:50.670 And then of course, the math gene comment over on the right, that I used earlier as well. 349 01:00:54.090 --> 01:00:55.470 So to sum it all up.

350 01:00:57.930 --> 01:00:59.190 If we look back at

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01:01:00.480 --> 01:01:09.450 acceleration and remediation, remember one is not good in one is not bad, that is not the point that I, I gave you these.

352 01:01:11.310 --> 01:01:15.510 The point is acceleration keeps it on grade level,

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keeps that just in time instruction, they may be, in small groups, they may be working on something to catch them up, but then they are immediately brought back to grade level material.

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And then we talked about the cycle. It's emphasizing the lift, the cycle that's taking them up, positively versus that the cycle that takes them down, negatively.

355 01:01:48.900 --> 01:01:51.990 Alright, so let's look at some of the words

356 01:01:53.790 --> 01:01:56.070 connected on grade level.

35701:01:57.210 --> 01:02:04.710Moving forward, motivation, retention. lift over loss, and forward momentum.

358 01:02:07.560 --> 01:02:08.910 These are all words 359 01:02:10.200 --> 01:02:16.470 that can really help with a positive growth mindset and I'm not saying it's only on the acceleration side.

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We have small groups to reteach concepts, but remember, we need to bring them back to the grade level. Meet them where they are.

361 01:02:28.770 --> 01:02:30.960 But bring them back to grade level.

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01:02:32.010 --> 01:02:41.520 Understand there are some disparities in there, but the idea is to get them back because we believe that all students

363 01:02:42.780 --> 01:02:43.890 can achieve

364 01:02:45.090 --> 01:02:47.700 high mathematical achievement.

365 01:02:50.970 --> 01:02:54.750 So, as we finish, today I want to bring up one more

366 01:02:56.010 --> 01:02:58.620 video here and

367 01:03:03.330 --> 01:03:06.750 I ask you to visualize something that you've always

368 01:03:07.950 --> 01:03:14.790 been pretty good at. Remember, maybe it's a skill subject in school remember the "I am a natural." 369 01:03:17.190 --> 01:03:18.660 So were you proud of yourself.

370 01:03:21.840 --> 01:03:23.100 If you're a natural at it,

371 01:03:25.020 --> 01:03:27.330 Were you able to puff up your chest and

372 01:03:29.790 --> 01:03:33.750 say yeah I worked hard at that?

37301:03:36.600 --> 01:03:42.120It's not as easy because you didn't really do that much if it came naturally to you.

37401:03:43.800 --> 01:03:47.160So, as we watch this video I asked you to think about that you.

375 01:03:48.420 --> 01:03:50.250 The proud the confident you.

376 01:03:52.470 --> 01:03:52.860 Okay.

377 01:03:55.470 --> 01:04:01.350 Then, listen to the words of this coach saying, "Anything you do

378 01:04:02.460 --> 01:04:08.160 is dependent on how you see you."

379 01:04:09.930 --> 01:04:13.680 Yes, mindset is that important. 1 00:00:00,880 --> 00:00:03,930 ♪ (angelic choir) ♪

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00:00:04,997 --> 00:00:08,246 - Most people live the way they think other people think they should live.

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00:00:08,246 --> 00:00:10,414 At the very best, that's got to be a bad trip.

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00:00:10,846 --> 00:00:14,797 This is your life, make it a phenomenal experience.

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00:00:17,613 --> 00:00:24,314 - Greatness is not this wonderful, esoteric, elusive, Godlike feature

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00:00:24,314 --> 00:00:29,197 that only the special among us will ever taste, you know.

7 00:00:29,197 --> 00:00:33,179 It's something that truly exists in all of us.

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00:00:34,631 --> 00:00:36,853 - You and I have an image of ourself;

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00:00:37,706 --> 00:00:39,076 it's how we see ourself.

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00:00:41,134 --> 00:00:44,663

I know there's a reflection come back from the mirror, I can see me.

11 00:00:44,663 --> 00:00:48,764 That's a reflection of my physical being, but that's not how I see me.

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00:00:48,764 --> 00:00:53,514 I see me in my mind, and it's based on information that I have on me.

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00:00:56,506 --> 00:00:58,576 Some people have a lot of false information,

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00:00:58,576 --> 00:01:01,165 so they've got a very false self image.

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00:01:02,987 --> 00:01:07,332 Anything that you're going to do is dependent on how you see you.

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00:01:10,305 --> 00:01:14,003 - If you can teach people to stand up in the face of things they're afraid of,

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00:01:14,003 --> 00:01:15,383 they get stronger.

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00:01:16,017 --> 00:01:18,056 And you don't know what the upper limits to that are

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00:01:18,056 --> 00:01:19,662 because you might ask yourself, like,

20 00:01:19,662 --> 00:01:24,533 "If for ten years, if you didn't avoid doing what you knew you needed to do,

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00:01:24,533 --> 00:01:26,100 "what would you be like?"

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00:01:27,218 --> 00:01:31,085 - There's no reason to have a Plan B because it distracts from Plan A.

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00:01:32,235 --> 00:01:37,681 He who says he can and he who says he can't are both usually right.

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00:01:38,582 --> 00:01:41,815 - What would happen, if for some reason we ignore,

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00:01:41,815 --> 00:01:45,181 somebody unlocked 100% of the cerebral capacity?

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00:01:46,873 --> 00:01:48,409 - 100%?

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00:01:48,409 --> 00:01:49,172 - Yes.

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00:01:52,495 --> 00:01:53,889 - I have no idea.

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00:01:53,889 --> 00:01:55,467

♪ (epic music) ♪

30 00:01:55,467 --> 00:02:00,034 - The first step before anybody else in the world believes it

31 00:02:00,034 --> 00:02:01,852 is you have to believe it.

32 00:02:05,396 --> 00:02:06,979 It's very simple.

33 00:02:07,779 --> 00:02:09,512 This is what I believe,

34 00:02:10,279 --> 00:02:13,196 and I'm willing to die for it.

35 00:02:14,056 --> 00:02:14,956 Period.

36 00:02:21,094 --> 00:02:25,994 I want to represent the idea that you really can make --

37 00:02:25,994 --> 00:02:34,312 I just believe that; I believe that I can create whatever I want to create.

38 00:02:39,704 --> 00:02:41,070 Make a choice.

39 00:02:41,587 --> 00:02:42,077 Right? 40 00:02:42,077 --> 00:02:46,270 You just decide what it's going to be, who you're going to be,

41 00:02:46,270 --> 00:02:47,287 how you're going to do it.

42 00:02:47,287 --> 00:02:48,704 Just decide.

43 00:02:56,993 --> 00:03:01,149 If you're not making someone else's life better,

44 00:03:01,149 --> 00:03:03,303 then you're wasting your time.

45 00:03:08,286 --> 00:03:13,652 ♪ (music fades) ♪

39301:07:30.150 --> 01:07:35.880As we close up today, I just want to repeat that couple of words that he said.

394 01:07:36.960 --> 01:07:40.650 Anything you do is dependent on how you see you.

395 01:07:46.860 --> 01:07:51.000 Make it a great day Louisiana! Thanks for being here with me.