

Is the learning and work I do regarded as significant outside school by my communities of practice and by experts, family, and employers?

Do I have opportunities to apply what I am learning in real-world settings and contexts?

Do my teachers and others who might serve as my teachers know about me and my interests and talents?

Do I have real choices about what, when, and how I will learn and demonstrate my competence?

Do I find what the school is teaching to be relevant to my interests?

Do I feel appropriately challenged in my learning and work?

Do I have opportunities to explore—and to make mistakes and learn from them—without being branded a failure?

Do I have opportunities to engage in deep and sustained practice of those skills I need to learn?

Do I have sufficient time to learn at my own pace?

# Innovation in Education Conference

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Can I pursue my learning out of the standard sequence?

**There is a growing global movement of thinkers and organisations pushing for education systems to re-design learning for the 21st century.**

- How do we help students compete in a 'flat' global economy?
- How do we help students navigate an open and open-source information environment?
- How do we engage students to create a safe and secure post industrial world?

Innovative schools around the world are taking the challenge and doing it. They are engaging students by personalising learning, delivering curriculum through real-world projects and pushing students to "leave to learn".

The results are clear:

- students and communities are engaged in learning
- schools are safe and inspiring sites for learning
- students learn how to build relationships, how to succeed in modern workplaces and how to pursue passions into fulfilling careers and lives.

**Come to the Innovation in Education conference 2014 to learn from, and connect with, educational experts, innovative teachers and engaged students from the USA, Australia and New Zealand.**

*"The fact is that given the challenges we face, education doesn't need to be reformed – it needs to be transformed. The key to this transformation is not to standardize education, but to personalize it, to build achievement on discovering the individual talents of each child, to put students in an environment where they want to learn and where they can naturally discover their true passions."*

**Ken Robinson**, The Element: How Finding Your Passion Changes Everything

*"The missing element is engagement. Too many young people in our schools are just going through the motions – even amongst those who are apparently 'successful' by conventional standards."*

**Valerie Hannon**, 'Only Connect!': A new paradigm for learning innovation in the 21st century



**Keynote speakers include:**

**Elliot Washor**

*Co-founder of Big Picture Learning USA & Big Picture International*

Involved in school reform for more than 35 years as a teacher, principal, writer, and speaker, Elliot has worked all over the world designing and developing innovative schools that provide engaging learning environments for students and adults

**Mike Hollings,**

*Chief Executive: Te Aho o Te Kura Pounamu (Te Kura)*

Mike Hollings has more than 30 years wide-ranging experience in the education sector, from teaching through to management, policy development and review. Mike is also a member of the Global Education Leaders Programme (GELP), which has brought together the most forward thinking educators in the world.

**Rachel Bolstad**

*NZCER*

Rachel is a senior researcher at the New Zealand Council for Educational Research. Her research interests include environmental education/education for sustainability, school-based curriculum development and innovation, science education, education for enterprise, and the role and potential of ICT, multimedia, and e-learning in education.

**Viv White**

*Director Big Picture Education Australia*

Viv is the Co-Founder and Co-Managing Director as well as the Company Secretary of Big Picture Education Australia. Prior to leading this innovative venture, Viv was CEO of the Victorian Schools Innovation Commission and the Australian National Schools Network. She has a thirty-year history of international work in educational reform, research, policy and practice.

*"We have a bold strategy for revitalizing schools and for graduating and preparing young people for success in their future learning and work."* **Elliot Washor and Charles Mojkowski**, Leaving To Learn



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