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BUILDING OUR VISION OF THE GRADUATE

(AN AGENDA EXAMPLE ADAPTED FROM THE WORK OF SCHOOLS IN THE PROCESS)

DRIVING QUESTION:	Outcomes/Products:
How can we create a district-wide Vision of a Graduate that sits at the center of our educational system?	By the end of the session, we will have: • Built shared understanding and vocabulary for the VoG • Shared input and ideas for the VoG

Agenda				
When	What	Where		
10 mins	Welcome & Framing • Quick introductions - your name and role Connections	Whole group		
	 Introduce yourselves. Think about what you accomplished yesterday. What skills did you reach for in order to successfully do all of those things? When and how did you learn those skills? 	Trios		
What is the w	ork that we are setting out to do? What is our challenge?			
10 mins	What do we see as the purpose of education in this country, now and into the future?	Trio discussions		
	What is our definition of success for our students' K-12 journey?	Poster artifact		
What are our highest hopes for our graduates?				
10 mins	Brainstorm the most important skills for our students to know and be able to do by the time they leave the district	Small groups		



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5 mins	 Vision of the Graduate definition What is our shared understanding of a Vision of the Graduate? What is our "elevator pitch" when talking with others about our VoG? 	Whole group		
What can t	this look like when it is implemented district-wide?			
5 mins	Backpack of Success Skills - JCPS Overview video What did you see or hear that intrigues you?	Whole group		
How has our thinking about our VoG developed?				
10 mins	Revision Time Go back to your original brainstorm - what changes might you want to make? Can you land on your top 5 skills?	Small groups, poster artifact		
5 mins	Gallery Walk What do you see around the room? What patterns are emerging?	Whole group		
Where are we now?				
5 mins	Reflection Moment What excites you about the promise of a district-wide VoG? What questions or concerns are on your mind?	Whole group		