

"Super skill of the future: learning how to learn or optimizing our own learning."

 Kevin Kelly, Futurist and Founding Editor of Wired Magazine

Research across the world has shown that for our children to be future ready, they must be equipped with skills that help solve their own problems, work with others, and learn how to learn.

In a world where our children are more conversant with emergent technologies than our teachers, the role of the teacher can no longer be the same. One must not think that the teacher has become irrelevant. Indeed, the role of the teacher is never been this crucial in the development of a child: the teacher is now a mentor and a facilitator, someone who learns with children and helps them find their strengths and work on their weaknesses. The teacher's role is to be a lighthouse - a stable structure that can guide children across the ocean of information that is available to them and help their find their own paths.



**Empowerment Program at a glance - Teachers will learn:** 

 Different methods in which student centric learning can be delivered: Project-based Learning, Experiential Learning, Design Thinking

learning.

- Learning taxonomies: Pedagogy to prepare the learners for the future and equipping them with 21st century skills
- Building project-based, experiential and design-based curriculum modules
- Facilitation of brainstorming, ideation and problem solving session within classroom
- Classroom management: Managing 21<sup>st</sup> century ready classrooms
- Gamifying classrooms: Introducing rewards and consequences in order to achieve behavioural and learning outcomes



The training is internally gamified with systems that enable self-reflection in the participants.

# **Training Program Stages:**

#### Stage 1: Pre-training

#### **Part 1: Teacher interviews**

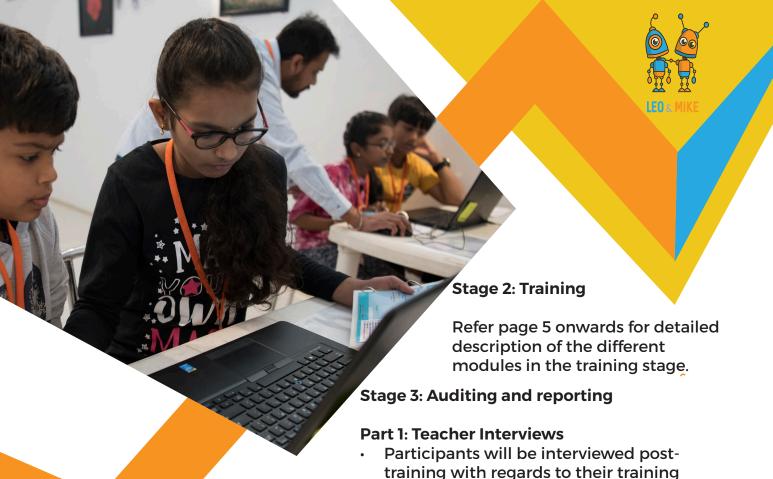
- Participants will be interviewed upon signing up, with regards to their teaching experience, classroom pain-points and their own goals
- Participants will fill in a 'teacher-effectiveness evaluation form'

#### Part 2: Classroom observation

- The Leo&Mike team will observe a at least one class of each of the participants and take down qualitative notes and observations.
- The goal of this exercise is to be able to make the program customized to the insights synthesized during the 'teacher interviews' phase.

#### Part 3: Pre-training student feedback

 Teachers will be evaluated based on the classroom experience and content engagement feedback provided by students



#### Part 2: Classroom observation

 Leo&Mike team will train the school's appointed academic coordinator/s on the following parameters:

Setting processes for continuous improvement, which includes

experience

Participants will fill in the teacher effectiveness evaluation form

- » Effective classroom observation that includes documentation with predefined template
- » Providing effective feedback and document the same
- » Reporting the observations to the school leadership
- Leo&Mike's program manager shall observe a minimum of 3 classes spread across 3 months. Each observation will end with optimized strategies for the academic coordinator/s to provide effective feed back to teachers for continuous improvement

# Part 3: Post-delivery student feedback

 Teachers will be evaluated based on the classroom experience and content engagement feedback provided by students

#### **Part 4: Reporting**

 Students will be evaluated on their classroom experience and engagement with content

#### **Stage 2: Training**

#### Orientation

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# **Description**

The training is launched with an hour long activity where the participants are asked to reflect on 'who they are, why they are here and where they want to be'. Participants represent their reflection visually and put it up in a gallery for peer engagement

### **Activity**

Everyone creates their own nameplate and holds a getting to know each other fair

# **Learning Outcomes**

Getting to know each other

#### **Design Thinking**

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# **Description**

In this intense hands-on activity, participants take a deep dive into the world of design thinking by doing the Stanford D.School Wallet Project. They will gain an understanding of all the aspects of design thinking — empathize, define, ideate, prototype and reflect. Participants leave this session with tools that will directly help them in classroom delivery.

# **Activity**

- · Stanford D. School Wallet Project: Design a wallet for your partner
- Participate in each phase of Design Thinking
- Create strategies for implementing Design Thinking in the classroom

- Design thinking
- Phases of design thinking
- Effective Ideation
- Facilitating design thinking with children
- Documenting design projects and building design portfolios

This module will help teachers understand what they can expect from the training, what is expected from them, and how they will maintain a documentation of their work, thoughts and experiences during the training.

# **Activity**

- · Discuss training goals and agenda
- · Discuss internal reward system
- Discuss training journals

# **Learning Outcomes**

- · Introduction to the training agenda
- · Discussion of the training reward system
- Discussion of the training experience journals

## The Taxonomy of Learning

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# Description

How has research into learning and the education system evolved over time? This hands-on module will enable participants to break down what learning means, how learning takes place in a child, and how to achieve the ultimate goal of learning; metacognition. Participants learn about Marzano's Taxonomy of Learning, they will asses their own levels of metacognition and work with tools that help them develop metacognition in their students. They will exit this session after building their own Marzano-compliant curriculum module.

# **Activity**

- Discuss Marzano's Taxonomy
- Assess Own Metacognitive Skills
- Build A curriculum module compliant to Marzano's Taxonomy

- Setting goal of learning
- Introduction to the history of education
- · Introduction to the brief history of research into learning
- Understanding Marzano's Taxonomy: deep dive
- Metacognition & classroom strategies for metacognition

Project Based Learning (PBL) is one of the most effective forms of future-ready learning. This hands-on module gets participants to take an in-depth tour of the essential elements of project based learning. Participants articulate the driving question for their project, establish a need-to-know event for their students, and build their own project module that includes — 21st century skill development, student voice & choice, reflection & revision. Participants will exit this session with tools that help them to prepare and deliver project-based classes.

### **Activity**

- Discussion about elements of PBL
- Prototype a PBL Module
- Peer Review
- Refine prototype

- Understanding PBL
- Introduction to 8 essential elements of PBL
- Understanding 21<sup>st</sup>-Century Skills, In-Depth Inquiry, Driving Question, Need to Know, Student Voice & Choice, Reflection & Revision. Public Audience
- Creating PBL Modules
- Preparing for a Project-based classroom: ops and logistics

Participants will learn about experiential learning and understand Kolb's Experiential Cycle. They will learn to design experiential modules out of different concepts, and explore the different kinds of learning styles as described by Kolb.

Participants will gain an understanding of their own learning styles and envisage how to identify the learning styles of their students.

### **Activity**

- Discuss Kolb's Experiential Cycle
- Discuss Kolb's Learning Styles
- · Identify own learning style
- · Convert project-based module to experiential module

- Kolb's Experiential Cycle
- Learning Styles

The core of teaching is formed by projecting one's personality in an authentic manner to students. To achieve this, one must know the basis of their personality.

In this module, participants assess their own personality using the Big-5 personality inventory. They will reflect on the results and understand where they have to focus in their class preparation. By the end of this session the participant would have a good idea about the kind of personality the teacher needs to develop and how this will facilitate in their interaction with students.

## **Activity**

- Discuss the Big 5 Inventory
- Assess own personality using Big 5 Inventory
- · Create classroom strategies based on assessment

- Indentifying different personalities
- Understanding Big 5 Personality Inventory
- Understanding "Self"
- Developing and evolving one's unique classroom personality

What goes on in a child's mind? How do children of different ages learn? What do children need to see in adults? Why are children so particular about fairness and consistency? What is the best way one can conduct themselves with children? Why do children misbehave?

This module helps participants understand the ultimate user and consumer – their students.

This module will empower the participants to understand the minds of children and engage with them effectively.

## **Activity**

- Discuss learning at different stages of growth and development
- Discuss importance of fairness & consistency
- · Discuss student misbehaviour
- Make a checklist of effective teacher behaviour strategies

- Learning capabilities at different ages
- · Child's expectation from adults
- Child's expectation from classrooms
- · Understanding and dealing with misbehaviour in classroom
- Knowing the teaching techniques for adults to handle children effectively

Classroom management is a definitive skill for any student centric classroom. Managing student behaviour forms the core of helping them learn, develop skills and overcome the hurdles they face in their learning. This module takes participants into a deep-dive of the essential elements of classroom management. Participants will learn the importance of setting rules and procedures, managing transitions in the classroom, and setting behavioural expectations with students. Participants will exit this module with strategies for addressing various aspects of their classroom.

# **Activity**

- Discuss core elements of classroom management
- · Video based case studies of classroom management strategies
- Practice strategies
- Build own strategies for various situations in class

- The 6 elements of a Project & Design Based Class
- Rules-Procedures-Transitions-Instructions- Explanations-Questioning
- · Creating and maintaining your own unique classroom presence
- Managing students in PBL classes
- · Managing student behaviour and setting behavioural expectations
- · Managing resistance to thinking and solving their own problems
- Managing resistance to group work and sharing time and materials

Gamification is one of the latest innovation in education and education design.

This module shows participants what it means to gamify the classroom experience for students. From the core tenets of gamification to incorporating rewards and consequences in the classroom; participants learn how to achieve the ideal behaviour from their class.

### **Activity**

- Discuss gamification
- · Discuss core tenets of gamification
- Build a classroom gamification strategy incorporating rewards and consequences

- · Understanding goals of gamification
- · Knowing core tenets of gamification
- Gamifying the classroom based on its unique needs
- · Incorporating rewards and consequences within the classroom

How does one assess learning in a student-centric classroom? This module covers the various forms of assessment and assessment strategies that take place in a future-ready classroom. From qualitative anecdotes to peer review to self review to quantitative rubrics — the goal of this module is to enable participants to assess their students holistically.

# **Activity**

- · Discuss student centric assessment
- Discuss skills to be assessed
- Discuss qualitative assessment
- Discuss quantitative assessment
- · Build a holistic assessment system

- Designing student centric assessment
- Understanding assessment strategies: Qualitative Self, Peer and Anecdotal
- · Understanding Assessment Strategies: Quantitative Skill Rubric