

Why Creativity Now?
A Conversation with Sir Ken Robinson by Amy Azzam
Tues., Jan. 26, 2010
9:30-11:00 am

We hope that you will be able to attend our upcoming discussion on **January 26th from 9:30-11:00 AM** in the McKenzie School library sponsored by the McKenzie PTA's Parent Learning Network (PLN). Given creativity and critical thinking have been flagged as essential 21st century skills, the McKenzie Parent Learning Network (PLN) is hosting an article study featuring an interview with Sir Ken Robinson, an international expert on innovation. McKenzie Principal, Dr. Denise Welter, will join us in the discussion.

The following questions will be addressed in the article and will serve as a guide to our study:

- What's the biggest misconception people have about creativity?
- Why is creativity especially important now?
- Is creativity at odds with a culture of standardized testing?
- People often associate creativity with the individual. But is there a social dimension to creativity that's particularly relevant in the 21st century?
- Can creativity be taught?
- If creativity and innovation are so important, should we assess them?

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All McKenzie parents and staff are welcome