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Steve's Sound-Off

March 2015

Dear Friends and Colleagues:

Visiting schools in Denmark, Spain and the UK the past two weeks, it is clear that there are some amazing things happening in eduction around the globe. In each of these countries I saw examples of student-centered learning that is directly linked to current research and best practices. What was most impressive was the fact that many of these schools are in high poverty areas and children are able to demonstrate their learning through a project-based approach. This month, I encourage you to explore new ideas from other educational systems; you never know where your next inspiration will come from!

~Steve

Success Story of the Month

Congrats to the iLead team in Kenya, who through their work with The <u>Workforce Development Global Alliance</u>, are bringing iLead to four new groups of students at Konza High School, Nakuru High School, Bishop Edward Donovan High School and the Street Children's Assistance for Nakuru Networks (SCANN). Students at Konza are reporting:

- Higher Confidence
- An increase in critical thinking skills
- An increase in public speaking skill and comfort



Keep up the great work, everyone!

Share Fair DC

It's not too late to register for <u>Share Fair DC</u> being hosted by The George Washington University on April 11, 2015! Share Fair is a is a FREE two-part event for educators, students, and communities to come together with the leaders in education innovation; EES will be presenting around the

innovative leadership experience, iLead 21.

Register today!



Eurotrip with Vega Schools

What does 21st Century learning look like across the globe? Steve Edwards and Sandy Hooda of Vega Schools set out to find out this March, with trips to 21st Century Schools in the United Kingdom, Barcelona, and Copenhagen!



In Copenhagen, students experience interdisciplinary learning based on a theme. This is the Monet room!



In Barcelona, students are working in teams on a real-world project.



Collegi Montserrat in Barcelona.

Webinar World Series

Steve can now add omnipresent to his list of professional qualifications thanks to webinars! Webinars are a highly effective, environmentally friendly, and cost efficient way of communicating. Let ESS design a webinar series specifically tailored to your needs and interests! Email Michelle for more information!



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