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Graduate School
of Education

OPPORTUNITIES GUIDE





Welcome

The High Tech High Graduate School of Education — the nation’s first graduate school rooted within a K-12 school system — pushes the boundaries of what learning can look like by creating the context for transformative learning and action in schools and systems across the globe.

As a hub for innovation, improvement, and justice, HTH GSE and HTH K-12 are intentionally interconnected to elevate student brilliance, inspire work that matters, and measurably improve life outcomes for all learners.



**Let's learn
together!**

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This guide offers a collection of opportunities to engage with our adult learning ecosystem. Explore our credential and degree programs, professional development events and resources, partnerships, and improvement networks.



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Explore the latest issue!

Unboxed

A JOURNAL OF ADULT LEARNING

**What we believe, and what we know,
about learning.**

In spring 2008, High Tech High GSE published the first issue of *Unboxed*, a journal of adult learning, with the goal of spreading good ideas that can improve schools. The project cards were the first step—designed to easily share ideas between teachers. Since then, *Unboxed* has evolved into a dynamic media platform, producing podcasts, videos, interviews, card decks, curricular resources, and a vibrant blog that fosters innovation. It continues to publish a semesterly journal, featuring stories, insights, and tools from educators dedicated to transforming teaching and learning practices.

Articles

Reflections, guides, and ideas on education and improvement

Journal

Our stories, photography, and project cards curated into a print issue

Podcast

Inspirational stories and talks with leaders, teachers, and students

Videos

Tutorials, real-life clips and talks of teaching and learning

Project Cards

Inspiring examples of student learning from HTH and innovative schools worldwide



Credential & Degree Programs

Accredited one- and two-year programs to support new and experienced teachers and school leaders interested in reimagining schools with a focus on justice, deeper learning, and innovation. Embedded within the HTH charter school network of 16 K-12 schools, the GSE provides a dynamic environment for hands-on learning, seamlessly blending theory with practice.



Take the next step in your educational journey

San Diego Teacher Residency

DEGREE PROGRAM



San Diego Teacher Residency is transforming public school classrooms, one teacher at a time.

San Diego Teacher Residency (SDTR) develops aspiring teachers who prioritize justice, equity, and inclusive practices to create classrooms where all students can grow as curious, critical, and creative individuals.

Through student-centered, anti-racist/anti-bias pedagogy, and culturally sustaining mentorship, candidates earn a California Preliminary Teaching Credential and M.Ed. in Teaching and Learning while embedded in an innovative High Tech High K-12 school.

Teach to Transform

M.Ed. in Educational Leadership

DEGREE PROGRAM

Strengthen leadership skills, mindsets, and tools to lead for justice and deeper learning.

The global education community needs visionary leaders with courage, self-awareness, and an authentic understanding of equity and deeper learning pedagogy.

Our M.Ed. in Educational Leadership program empowers candidates to lead schools and create environments where every student actively engages in a just, democratic, and equitable education. Through both an online and in-person pathway, candidates earn an M.Ed. in Educational Leadership as part of a global cohort of change leaders.





Transform Yourself to Transform Education

Preliminary Administrative Credential Program

CREDENTIAL PROGRAM

Develop a diverse and talented pipeline of leaders to advance the strategic priorities of your school or district.

Strong educational ecosystems are built on strong leadership. HTH GSE partners with schools and districts to grow diverse leaders from within who can advance strategic priorities. Our 10-month PASC pathway prepares equity-driven leaders through culturally responsive leadership frameworks, deeper learning pedagogy, and liberatory practices. Through hands-on, inquiry-based experiences, candidates connect theory to practice and build the skills to navigate complexity and advance justice in K-12 schools.



Grow Your Own Future-Ready Leaders



Professional Development

Immersive one and multiday experiences are offered to engage with a global adult learning ecosystem and expand pedagogical practices, develop leadership skills, and learn school improvement techniques.



Explore our learning opportunities

Project-Based Learning

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT EVENTS

For over 25 years, High Tech High K-12 has been globally recognized as a leader in project-based learning, empowering educators to master innovative, student-centered teaching.



Curated Visits

Experience a curated visit to High Tech High K-12 in San Diego for an insider's view into the culture that is so foundational to PBL. Join teachers, students, and school leaders to explore the inner workings of this inspiring system.



PBL Design Camp

A collaborative, personalized experience that helps participants navigate project design phases. Participants analyze HTH projects to uncover key structures and prototype their own to engage students in meaningful work.

PBL Leadership Academy

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PARTNERSHIP

A collaboration with the California Department of Education to grow innovative project-based learning, empowering educators to transform student experiences and promote equity in every classroom.



Engage Students & Educators

PBL grounds education in meaningful tasks and students' real-life experiences for growth.



Build Your Design Skills

Enhance creativity as you design, critique, and implement solutions with colleagues and students.



Join a Powerful Network

Join educators committed to equity-focused deeper learning practices and principles across California.

This year-long hybrid learning community supports diverse teams of California educators to develop PBL curricula, practices, and essential leadership skills to improve student learning experiences and create equitable educational opportunities for all students.

Customized Project-Based Learning

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PARTNERSHIP

Co-design transformative Project-Based Learning experience tailored to your school, district, or organization.

We partner with school and district leaders to design customized professional development that brings PBL to life. Guided by educators who have taught and led project design at High Tech High, participants experience engaging instruction firsthand and leave with practical strategies they can implement immediately. Explore strategies that empower students to investigate meaningful questions, create high-quality work, and connect learning to their communities.



**Bring PBL
to you!**



Bring the Experience of Projects to your Educators



CO-DESIGNING NEW AND EXISTING SCHOOLS

Elevate Youth Voice and Deeper Learning

School Redesign

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PARTNERSHIP

Aligning vision, structure, and the student experience.

We partner with school and district leaders to turn vision into practice—helping teams build shared goals, clear decision-making structures, and consistent practices across classrooms and schools. Along the way, we build leadership capacity, strengthen professional learning, and create systems that sustain change.

Our approach—tested in 60+ schools and districts—helps communities move from inspiring ideas to practices that last.



**Partner
With Us**

Our work activates young people and communities through three key levers:

Activating Student Voice

Through agency and shared decision-making

Deeper Learning Through Projects

Through applied, cross-disciplinary work grounded in real-world questions

Making Learning Public

Through exhibitions of learning and authentic assessment with real audiences.



ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Transform Education Through Deeper Learning

Deeper Learning Conference

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT EVENT

Join the global gathering of innovators, educators, and leaders passionate about making education joyful today, fulfilling tomorrow, and available to young people everywhere.

Day One

Get inspired and connected through speakers, workshops, and advisory.

Day Two

Immerse yourself in full-day deep dive sessions that model deeper learning.

Day Three

Experience exhibition and leave inspired by more speakers, workshops, and connections.

This experience is for the daring and the playful. For teachers and administrators. District leaders and nonprofit officers. Foundations and charters. Public schools and independent ones — in the United States and around the world. Whether the topic is PBL, STEM, culturally responsive pedagogy, social-emotional learning, continuous improvement, leadership, or school transformation, this event offers the community, practical skills, and inspiration you need to create learning environments that elevates student brilliance.



Continuous Improvement

Make measurable progress on the issues you care about most. HTH GSE is the home of the **National Coalition for Improvement in Education**, whose mission is to champion and amplify the use of improvement methods to transform educational systems so all young people learn and thrive, especially those at the margins.

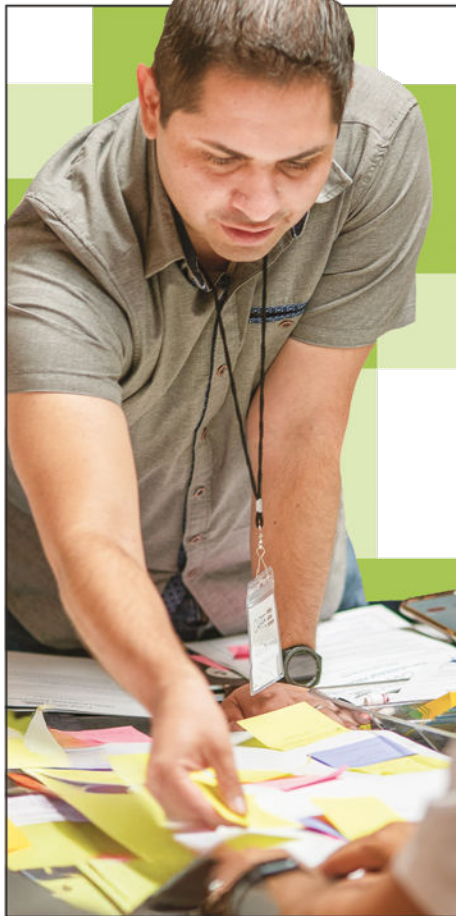


**Discover ways
to learn with us**

CARPE Collaborative

COLLEGE ACCESS NETWORK

For too many students, college feels out of reach—but it doesn't have to be. The CARPE Collaborative is a statewide improvement network that brings schools and districts together to transform college access for students furthest from opportunity. Through evidence-based strategies, collaborative learning, and continuous improvement, CARPE builds teams' capacity to implement what works, adapt it to their context, and embed it into their system. The result: stronger practice, stronger systems, and more students applying, enrolling, and persisting in college.



Math Curriculum

IMPLEMENTATION & IMPACT NETWORK

Because powerful student learning requires more than adopting a curriculum, it requires intentional implementation.

Districts across the country are investing in high-quality math curricula, but turning that investment into consistent classroom practice and stronger student outcomes can be harder than expected. The Math Curriculum Implementation & Impact Network supports district leadership teams in moving from math curriculum adoption to consistent, high-quality instruction. Through coaching, peer learning, and evidence-based implementation strategies, districts build the systems, routines, and capacity needed to support educators and improve student learning at scale.

Move from Curriculum Adoption to Classroom Impact

RAISE Network

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM NETWORK

Every child. Every day. Across California.

RAISE (Raising Attendance and Improving Student Engagement) is a statewide improvement network committed to cutting California's chronic absenteeism rate in half by 2029. By uniting students, families, educators, and experts, RAISE supports schools and districts to co-design solutions—turning attendance challenges into opportunities for stronger connection and engagement. Through proven practices, coaching, and collaborative learning, districts build sustainable approaches so every student feels connected and supported to attend school.

Ensuring Students Show Up and Thrive



Meta Network

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM NETWORK

From local learning to national impact.

Join the National Attendance & Engagement Meta Network, a community of district, state, and network leadership teams working to reduce chronic absenteeism for students furthest from opportunity across the country. Teams act as Lead Learners as they collaborate to test, adapt, and share evidence-based approaches—building understanding of what works across diverse contexts. Together, the network turns learning into practical guidance that can spread—so more students feel welcomed, engaged, and supported to thrive in school.



Continuous Improvement 101

IMPROVEMENT EVENT

Learn how to take smart steps to big change in this comprehensive introductory course.

In this hands-on, engaging course, you'll learn how to apply continuous improvement to tackle the challenges that matter most in your classroom, school, or district—and make measurable progress toward your goals. By bringing a real problem from your context through the improvement process, you'll gain practical tools, new skills, and a clear path forward. You'll also take away strategies for leading and supporting continuous improvement with your team.





Tools & Resources

IMPROVEMENT RESOURCES

Looking for a tool, protocol, or video to support your team in their improvement journey?

Explore resources curated for educators, school leaders, and system leaders to support improvement for equity in diverse contexts. All resources are designed to be put into practice, and are to be adapted and shared freely.



**Explore our
resources**



HTH GSE NEWSLETTER



Take a deep dive into impactful learning

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