



#BrightFutures

A new day is an opportunity to make a new connection!

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“Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world. Indeed, it’s the only thing that ever has.”

- Margaret Mead

Revising Your Teaching Philosophy for this Crisis by Aaron Tombrella

ASCD’s Summer Reading List for Teachers and Leaders



Reflections This is the final issue of #BrightFutures for this school year. Next week I will close the school year with a letter to families and staff. These past six months have been a whirlwind for me and for you alike. When coming to Hebron, I could never have imagined the challenges we would be facing together. *Together* is a great word. The definition includes: with or in proximity; into companionship or close association; at the same time; without interruption. In January you immediately made me feel *together* with you all. The sense of *togetherness* was continually at the forefront of what you all told me was the keystone of the district.

Students and families told me that too. Somehow, while we have been apart, it feels that we are even more *together*. At the same time, working distantly has been exhausting. It is hard to fly the plane while you are building it! It will be a busy summer as we plan for the fall. I hope you all find time for rest and relaxation too. I know if we continue to work *together* we will meet all of the challenges before us. Thank you. Onward to summer!

Professional Development Corner! [The Real Reason You Procrastinate - TED Talks Daily](#): You procrastinate because you're lazy, right? Wrong. The truth is more complex -- and far more interesting. Learn how to stop putting off important tasks ... with a little help from master procrastinator Margaret Atwood. (Check out the [#BrightFuture archives](#) (scroll down) for other podcast and book recommendations.



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