Literacy and Technology:
In Conversation with Dr. Dave Edyburn

This learning guide is designed for use by Professional Learning Communities, learning coaches and teacher leaders or as a self-paced study to explore how technology can support student success.

What is the relationship between technology and the entrepreneurial spirit?

This conversation guide is intended to be used after viewing the video clip, **What is the relationship between technology and the entrepreneurial spirit?**

General synopsis

In this brief video, author and researcher Dr. Dave Edyburn looks at the relationship between technology and the entrepreneurial spirit.

Key understandings

- The connection between technology and entrepreneurship is innovation.

- Entrepreneurship and innovation is primarily about solving problems or doing things that could not be done before.

- Currently, the way many schools are organized does not promote innovation.

- The challenge for policy makers and school jurisdictions is creating learning environments where the entrepreneurial spirit and innovation is valued and nurtured.

Questions for reflection and discussion

- Did any of the statements in this video surprise you? Why?

- Why is innovation and building the entrepreneurial spirit important for educators?

- Where do you currently see the entrepreneurial spirit in evidence in Alberta schools?

- If entrepreneurship and innovation are primarily about problem-solving, what are some potential ways to make learning environments more innovative?

Link to the *Learning and Technology Policy Framework*

Policy Direction 2: Research and Innovation

http://education.alberta.ca/admin/technology/policyframework/policy2.aspx

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