

Helping
Others
Pursue
Education



Athletics / Activities
(Politics & Influence)

ATHLETICS/ACTIVITIES: POLITICS & INFLUENCE



ATHLETICS/ACTIVITIES AND THE POLITICS

DEVELOPING THEMES

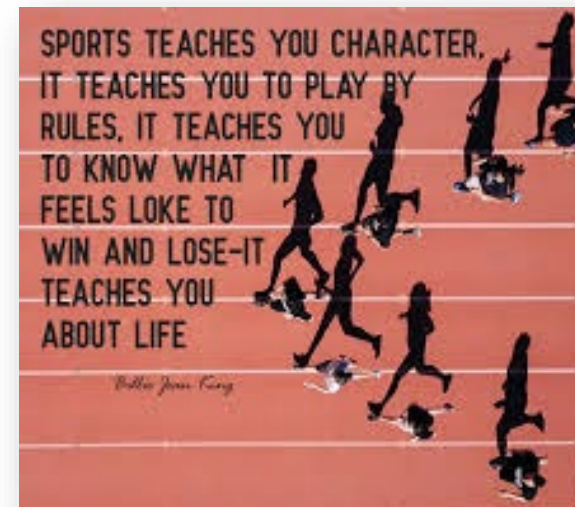
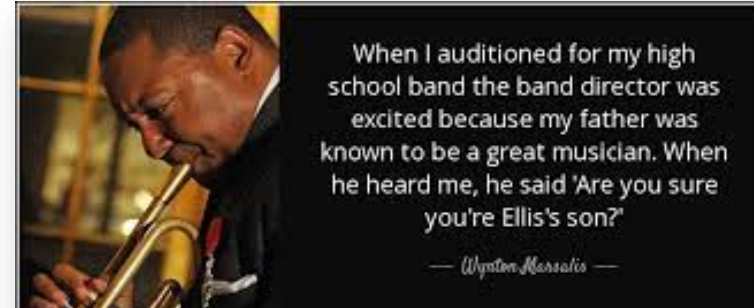
- Purpose of Athletics/Activities
- Winners & Losers
- Why are people SO passionate?
- How to manage sensitive issues
- Extended Classroom

TODAY

Where we have been...

1. Creating equitable learning environments
2. Engaging your community
3. School board – Superintendent's perspective
4. School board – School Board member's perspective
5. **Athletics/Activities & Politics**

Conversation is led by 3 questions



TODAY'S FACILITATORS...

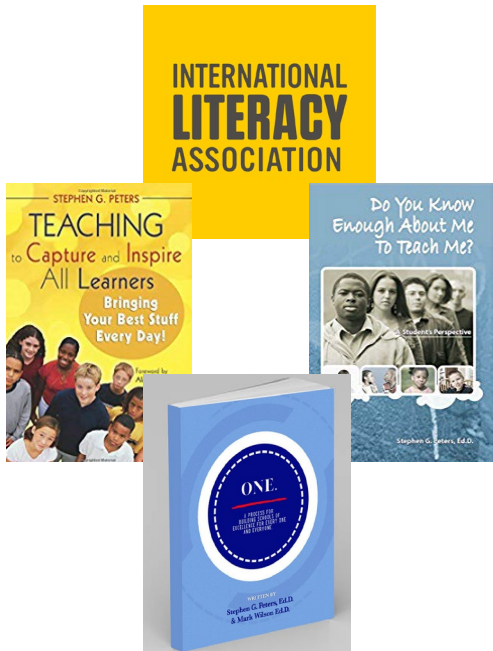


Dr. Stephen Peters,
The Peters Group

One of the most sought-after education speakers in the nation and the best-selling author of *Do You Know Enough About Me To Teach Me?* and *Teaching to Capture and Inspire All Learners*. His work was featured on the Oprah Winfrey show.

Dr. Peters is the President of the Board of the International Literacy Association and has a passion for advancing the lives of children, equity and inclusion.

As a former Superintendent of schools, he is steeped in the needs K-12 Sups face today and is an active coach and mentor!



Dr. Lee Pritzl,
SitelogIQ

Dr. Lee Pritzl, formerly Superintendent and educator for over 25 years is now part of the SIQ team as Educational Strategist. He holds a Doctorate of Organizational Leadership from Edgewood College. Lee is also certified in school safety as a CPP Certified Protection Professional.

His extensive work with school board development, advancing district leadership, and district strategic/visionary planning as president of Elevatedperformance4U provides a unique value when working with our client partners because Lee has effectively navigated a variety of issues and challenges during his career.



YOUR SITELOGIQ K12 HOPE TEAM



Denise Pontrelli,
True North Consulting

Denise has three decades of leadership experience as a superintendent, assistant superintendent, principal, coordinator for curriculum, professional development, and gifted services and classroom teacher.

Before joining True North Consulting Partners, Denise served in the role of superintendent for the Stillwater Area Public Schools in Minnesota where she led a \$97M dollar referendum based on the Bridge to Excellence strategic plan and several initiatives aiming to drive student achievement and equity within her District.



Mel Dow

Athletic Director
Stoughton Area School District

Frank Majikes

President of the Board of Directors
Pennsylvania Interscholastic Athletic Association (PIAA)

Blake Peuse

Former Athletic Director & Superintendent
St. Francis School District

Do others see us
differently than
we see ourselves?

- Humility
- Intention & Purpose



QUESTION #1

Discuss the power and influence athletics and activities have on students, families, and communities.

- More than winning & losing
- Athletics, life & leadership
- Extra-curricular activity pathways

QUESTION #2

2) What is your biggest challenge about politics surrounding athletics/activities?

- Recognizing different experiences and perspectives
- A part of the education of people (athletics/activities)
- Pathways to life

QUESTION #3

3) What are some **real-life** strategies to help a school and community keep perspective?

- Communication
- Intentionality
- Strategic
- Developmental (youth to adult)

WHAT DO WE DO WITH THE ACQUIRED KNOWLEDGE



■ Connecting the dots of learning...

REFLECTION

- Varying levels of participation and unlimited opportunities for students in some places; what about others?
- Athletics / activities?, an integral part of climate/culture of schools, districts, and communities.
- Part of school district / school's brand.
- Identified as an equal variable to educational quality in some communities
- Coaching and advising
- The role of the parent
- Policy and practice (athletics) “changes”



IDENTIFIED RELEVANT SCHOOL LEADERSHIP SESSIONS

1. Creating Equity in Education - what does it REALLY mean for kids? Your NEW normal
2. Community (how to engage yours)
3. School Board Dysfunction into Function (Superintendent's Perspective)
4. School Board Dysfunction into Function (Board Member's Perspective)
5. **Athletics (politics and influence)**
6. Student Learning (what's next?)
7. Strategic Planning (needed now more than ever)
Finance and Facilities (renovations and new construction)



