



learning pathways

The Learning Pathways Project is a city-wide effort that aspires to help youth connect skills developed during out-of-school experiences to the pursuit of a college degree, career certificate, or entrepreneurial venture, and ultimately a livable wage.

To support the growth of the Learning Pathways Project, Big Thought is offering a 3 month Fellowship program designed to help out-of-school providers identify, measure, and elevate skills youth develop during their programs.

WHAT

The Learning Pathways Fellowship is a 3-month program for out-of-school educators to build expertise and relationships that empower them to elevate the skills that youth develop during their programs.

WHY

All youth deserve to be valued for the skills they seek to strengthen, and not just the skills that are recognized by our current systems of learning. We believe that out-of-school learning holds more power than simply a place for youth to go after the school day ends. We created the Learning Pathways Project to ensure that the skills being developed during out-of-school learning are recognized, elevated, and ultimately valued in support of long-term goal attainment.

WHO

The Learning Pathways Fellowship is designed for out-of-school learning providers. This upcoming cohort will be focused on a select group of providers in the Dallas-Metro area whose program aligns with one of the following categories: STEM or STEAM, Health and Wellness, College and Career Readiness, Arts, Social Justice or Advocacy. This cohort will be filled by invitation only with some additional spaces available for those who express interest. In future cohorts, we intend to expand the opportunity to a wider group of providers.

HOW

Fellows participate in a series of seminars, office hours, and small group meetings. By the end of the program, Fellows will have identified high-valued 21st century skills that align to their programs, and will walk away with the tools and activities needed to ensure youth leave their program having evidence of skills development.

WHEN

The next program will kick off this Fall, and will commence in December 2020 with a showcase.

WHERE

The seminars, office hours, and small group meetings will take place virtually.

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