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Buffalo Grove High School  
2016-2017 Third Quarter

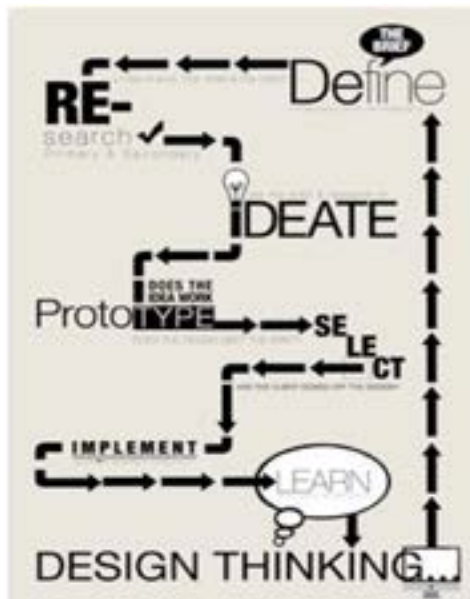


## A Letter from Principal Wardle

Buffalo Grove parents,

We all know the process of innovation and design thinking.

This process, over the past year and a half, has led to the implementation of the BGenius Collaboratory, a centrally located space in our library that houses a Literacy Coach, Kate Glass, and Teaching and Learning Facilitator, Jeff Vlk. The definition of this space was researched and ideated several times in 2015-16, looking at some of the best coaching models around the country, attending conferences and seminars, and reading and speaking directly with the authors to gain additional insight. Of course, then you have to make it “work” within the logistical boundaries of your organization, and find the right person(s) to breath life into it on a daily basis.



This year has been a joy to see this project, this prototype, the first of it's kind in D214, take off beyond our wildest dreams. Educators from across the disciplines have come to the library to learn, discuss, and bring classes of students down to stretch their thinking. Topics have ranged from rhetorical analysis to learning to change a tire, and explaining the process in french. Student tutors have reviewed peer research papers, primary documents have been researched, biology classes have learned about natural selection through activity, and spanish classes have dressed up as famous Latino artists and conducted a mock dating game show in character! Every day is truly an adventure, and throughout it all, all students have learned to ask the 3 big questions when reading non-fiction:

What Surprised me?

What does the author think I already know?

What changed, challenged, or confirmed what I already knew?

I have found these questions easy to remember myself, and have used them often this past year to deepen reading journals and even popular media. I hope you are able to ask your student how they've used the BGenius Lab, I bet you'll hear about a great lesson.

Jeff Wardle

Principal, Buffalo Grove High School

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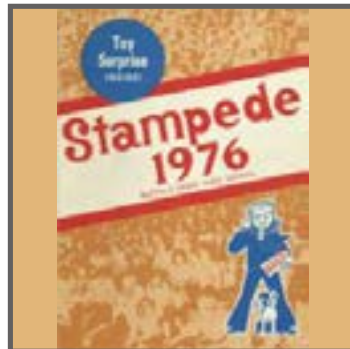
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