



PARTNERSHIP FOR
21ST CENTURY SKILLS

Partnership for 21st Century Skills (P21)

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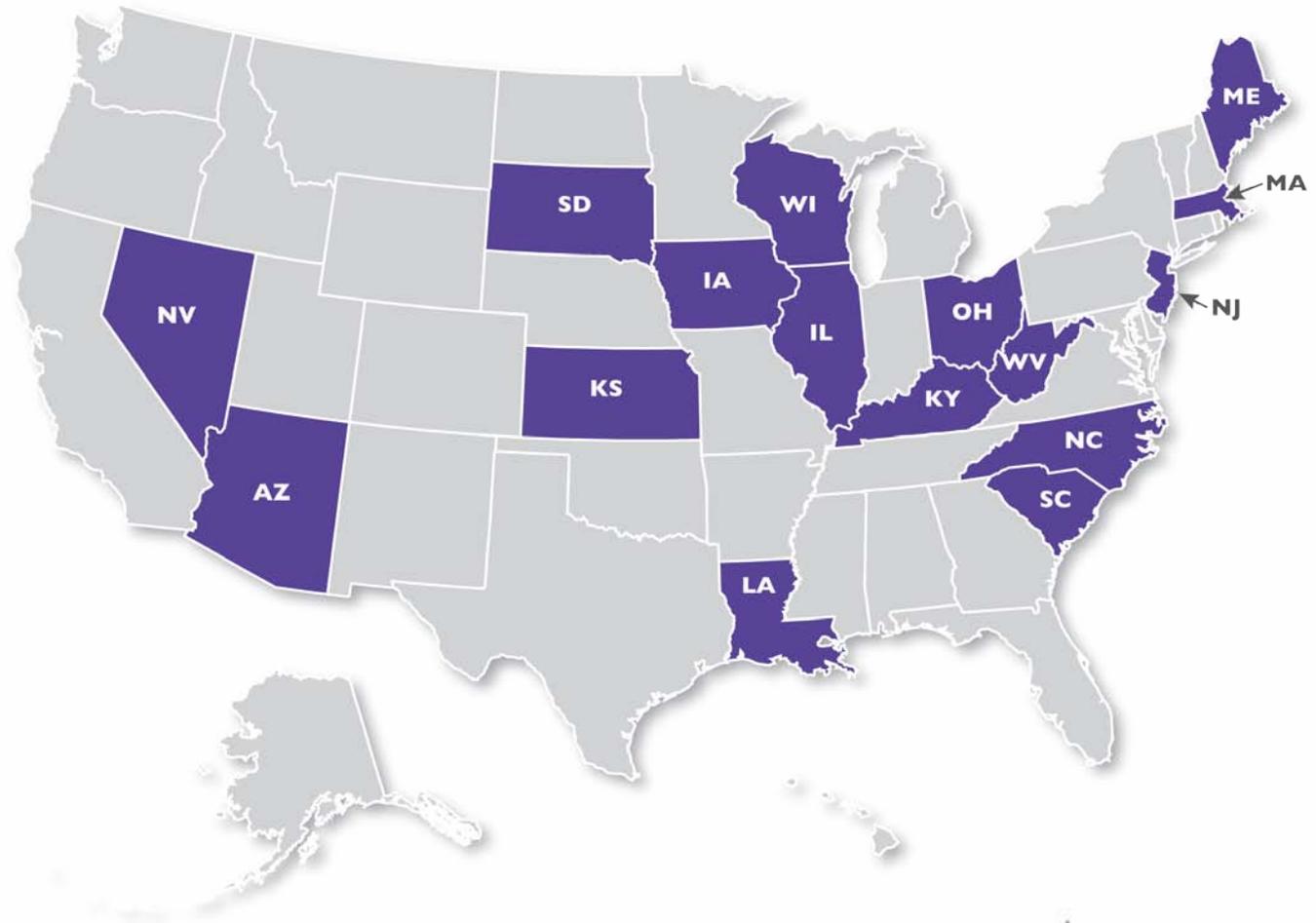
Serve as a catalyst to position 21st Century Skills at the center of U.S. K-12 education by building collaborative partnerships among education, business, community and government leaders.



P21 State Leadership Initiative

Current State Partners

- Arizona
- Illinois
- Iowa
- Kansas
- Kentucky
- Louisiana
- Maine
- Massachusetts
- Nevada
- New Jersey
- North Carolina
- Ohio
- South Carolina
- South Dakota
- West Virginia
- Wisconsin



P21 Members



Goals

1) Vision for 21st Century Education

2) Leaders in 21st Century Learning

3) The Movement

Workforce Needs

Of the high school students that you recently hired, what were their gaps?

Written Communication	81%
Leadership	73%
Work Ethic	70%
Critical Thinking & Problem Solving	70%
Self-Direction	58%

*Source: Are They Really Ready to Work?
(2006) The Conference Board, Corporate Voices for
Working Families, P21, and SHRM*

Workforce Needs

What skills and content areas will be growing in importance in the next five years?

Critical Thinking	78%
I.T.	77%
Health and Wellness	76%
Collaboration	74%
Creativity and Innovation	74%
Personal Financial Responsibility	72%

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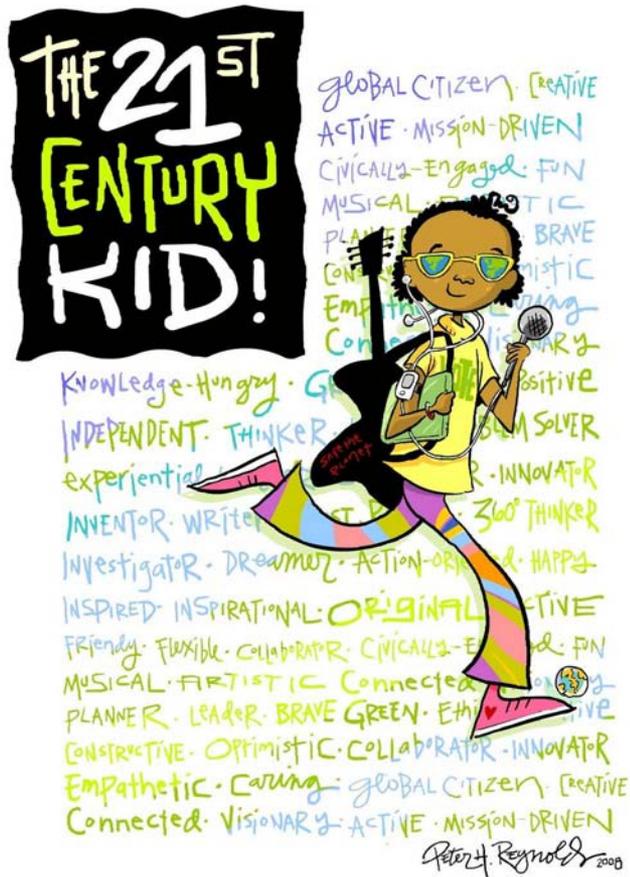
Workforce Needs

Has your organization identified these skills as priorities for employee development, talent management, and succession planning?

Skill	Agree/ Strongly Agree
Critical thinking	73.3%
Communication skills	79.2%
Collaboration/team building	72.3%
Creativity and innovation	66.6%

Source: AMA/P21 2010 Critical Skills Survey, released April 2010

The Goal: 21st Century Students

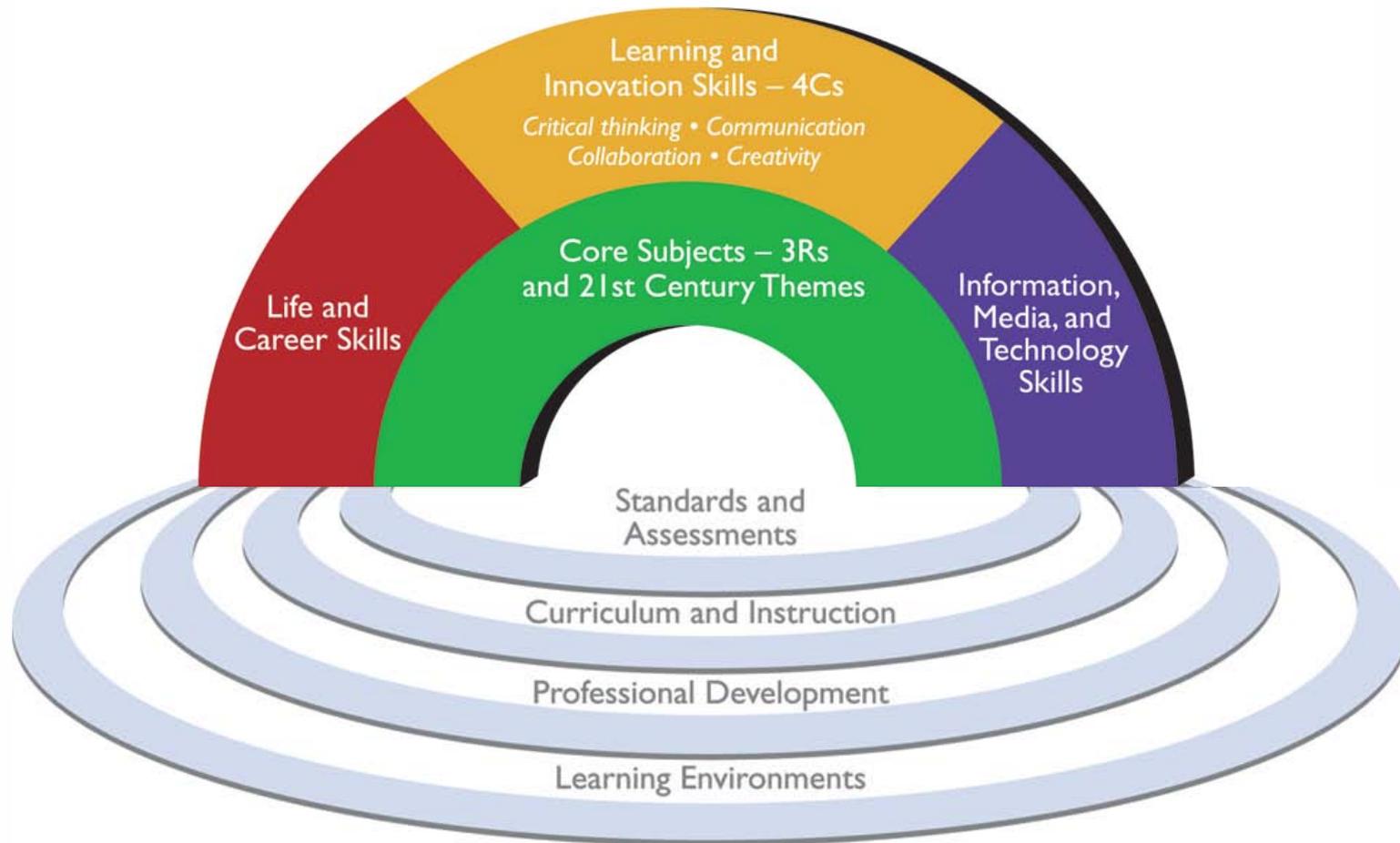


- Become effective citizens, workers and leaders.
- Learn what they need to join 21st century communities and workplaces
- Thrive in learning environments aligned with the real world

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Framework for 21st Century Learning

21st Century Student Outcomes and Support Systems



21st Century Skills Framework

- **21st Century Themes**

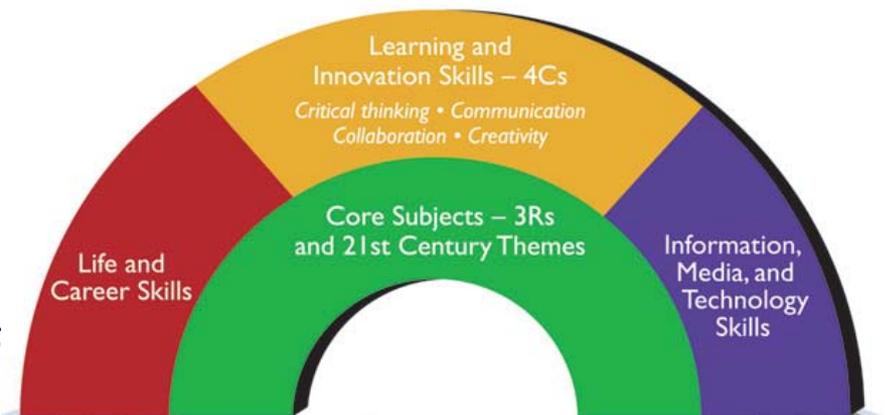
- *Global Awareness*
- *Financial, Economic, Business & Entrepreneurship Literacy*
- *Civic Literacy*
- *Health Literacy*
- *Environmental Literacy*

- **Information, Media & Technology Skills**

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- **Life & Career Skills**

- *Flexibility & Adaptability*
- *Initiative & Self-Direction*
- *Social & Cross-Cultural Skills*
- *Productivity & Accountability*
- *Leadership & Responsibility*



21st Century Skills Framework

- Learning & Innovation Skills - **The 4C's**
 - **C**ritical Thinking and Problem Solving
 - **C**ommunication
 - **C**ollaboration
 - **C**reativity and Innovation.
- Just as the 3R's serve as an umbrella for all core subjects, so the 4C's serve for all other 21st Century Skills

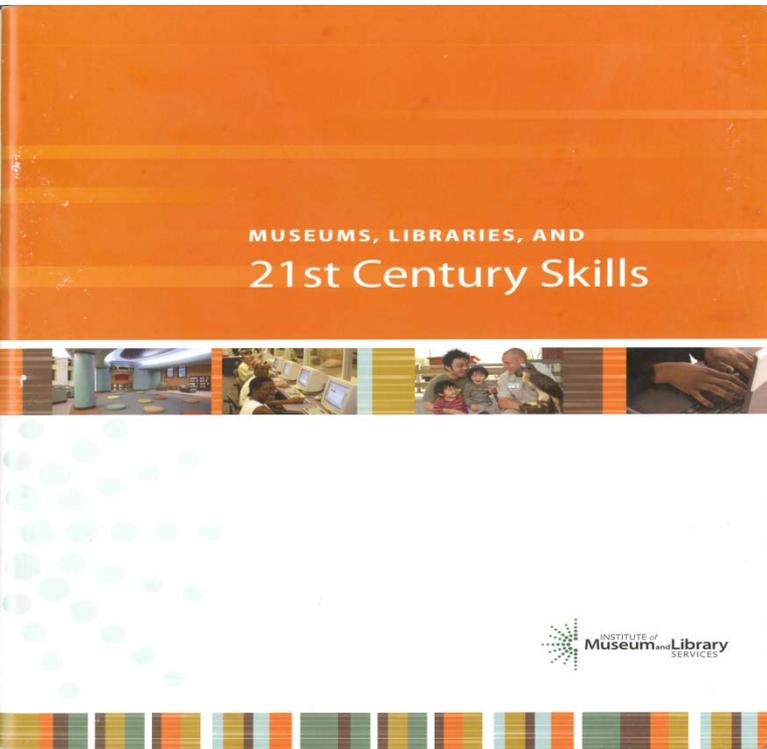


Fusing the 3Rs and 4Cs

- A high quality education includes both
- Embedding the 3Rs and 4Cs makes teaching and learning more relevant, engaging and rigorous

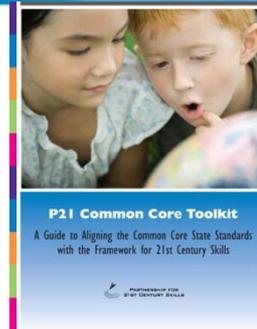


IMLS Report on 21st Century Skills

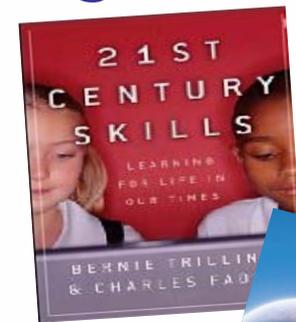


- Connecting 21st Century Skills
- Assessment Tools
- Call-to-Action

Resources you can use



- P21 Common Core Toolkit
- Framework for 21st Century Learning
- Content Skills Maps
- Beyond School



Questions for Consideration

What 21st Century Skills are your Focus?



Collaboration

Working together to reach a goal — putting talent, expertise, and smarts to work



Communication

Sharing thoughts, questions, ideas, and solutions



Critical Thinking

Looking at problems in a new way, linking learning across subjects & disciplines



Creativity

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How can your organization be intentional and purposeful about 21st Century Skills?



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What can we do together around
21st century skills?

How can you/your organization add
to the movement?



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