

# ILIMA'S FRIDAY BULLETIN



## The Science of How We Learn PD (Feb 17-19):

**Calling on interested teachers !**

Engaging memory motivation, mindsets and mastery are some of the major PD topics for educators at the upcoming February **BRAIN CONFERENCE** at the Fairmont Hotel in **San**

**Francisco, California!** One of the guest speakers is John Hattie, famous researcher and Director of the Melbourne Education Research Institute. His book emphasizes the use of He researched and came up with a list of research-based high-yield instructional strategies that have been proven to help improve student learning. At this conference, educators will:

- Learn and explore how we learn and how to use it in the classroom.
- Use strategies to improve memory, testing and feedback
- Explain the effects of mindsets, self-efficacy and resiliency on achievement.
- Explore the science behind hands-on learning and design thinking.
- Examine the benefits of play, exploration, explaining thinking and active learning.
- Apply Visible Learning strategies such as how to promote effective student feedback.

### **The purposes of this PD include:**

1. Research, learn and implement John Hattie's Visible Learning Strategies to improve student achievement. John Hattie's research aligns to our PDs regarding classroom instructional strategies.
2. Share learning experiences/research-based strategies via team, department and committee meetings to build capacity and support staff professional learning and growth. It is expected that attendees return to school to share their experiences and actively contribute during team, department and committee meetings.
3. Use the information gathered to help develop next school year's academic plan (i.e. Document enabling activities.)

**A detailed informational session will be held on November 28 at 2:30 pm in the Chorus Room for those who are interested in attending. We would like to bring a team of about 10-15 participants.**

### **Student Searches:**

**In our continuous effort to ensure we protect our overall school as well as individual liability interests, the following reminders are shared with everyone:**

1. Other than emergency situations, the only persons who can do the search are administrators.
2. If anyone conducts a search of a student when they shouldn't have, the student investigation/case is automatically thrown out.
3. There are no random student searches.
4. There are no strip searches.

(Source- Holly Shikada, Deputy Attorney General 11/15/16 Leeward District Principals Meeting)