

The Future of Education

Important shifts in education, and the implication for teachers

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Borderless Learning

Education will no longer be confined to borders and boundaries of geography. People from everywhere will need to access knowledge, skill and learning from everywhere

Implication

- Your location will not be as important as your content: if you're good, people will require your services wherever you are
- Your earning surface is enlarged: teachers and schools can earn from people who don't live in their immediate localities

Customization of Learning

Parents want to be able to have the freedom, liberty and control to determine what their children learn.

Education is fast becoming like a shopping cart.

Implication

- Schools no longer have the final say as to what children can learn: parents will place demands on what they want their children to learn and will expect schools to incorporate them into their curriculum.
- People who sell specialized and irregular learning bouquets will have a field day: because schools will take time to respond, there'll be an increase in independent education providers selling specialized knowledge
- This will force schools to redefine who a teacher is: as they will need to import 'odd' teachers

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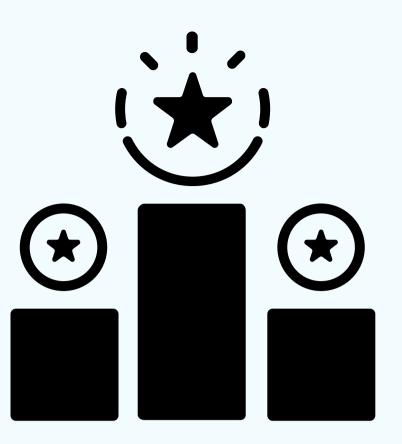
Demand for Competence Based Learning

There will be a demand for learning in odd and strange areas that don't seem traditional.

Photography. Fashion. Drama. Comedy. Etc

Everything will become teachable.

How to take advantage of this



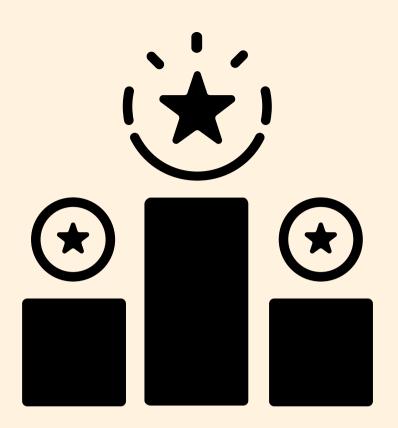
- **Positioning:** if you have a specialized skill that you know there is or will be a demand for, start honing it and start talking about it. When people look for a teacher in that space, be the first to be found
- Think far: don't just think of yourself as a teacher in a space, think like someone who creates a new industry

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Inflow of outsiders

As the world recognizes the power of education and the demand for competent teachers increase, people who were not traditionally teachers will see opportunities in education and will step in.

How to take advantage of this



- Strategic visibility: you will need to position yourself to be seen from everywhere. Be intentional about strategic alliances, networks and associations
- Personal Branding: people need to be able to match your name to something. You can't be a nameless teacher
- Technological Savviness: you will need to be updated on how to use the trending technologies of the day if you must sell your services globally.

How to stay relevant:



Lifelong Learning

Diversify. Learn Tech Skills



Personal Branding

Social Network. Strategic Visibility



Become Entrepreneurial

Think bigger than your salary. See scale



Position to be global and borderless

Teaching for Transformation

What inspiring and outstanding teachers know and do that others don't



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