

**High School Education**

**Innovation, Creativity &  
Entrepreneurship**

Jim Teece

# **I am Innovative, Creative & an Entrepreneur**

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Parallel Entrepreneur

Project A

Ashland Home Net & Rogue Broadband

Art Authority

# **my Education Story**

**“You Read Too Fast”**

The Disruptor

# **“No Selling Skittles”**

The Entrepreneur

**“Stop Dreaming”**

The Dreamer

**“You can be a welder”**

The Death of Dreams

# **Bored, Bad & Quiet**

The Disrupting Student



# **War & SciFi Dramas**

The Movie Maker

**“were moving”**

12th grade reboot

**“You don’t have to take  
any classes except for  
Washington State  
History”**

Take “Outs”

# I filled my schedule with...

Art

Architecture

Electronics

& Washington State History

& Math

Lunch Clubs (Closed Campus)

# **Straight A's**

Not bored anymore

# ART

Alien Sculpture

Space Craft Set Design

Murals of Planets and Space

Garage Cave

# Architecture

Assignment : Room

Delivered : House

Assignment : House

Delivered : School & Racquetball Club & City

# **Electronics**

Digital Circuits

Low voltage lighting system

Trains

Blood Lab Delivery Train



# Washington State History

3D Models and Dioramas to scale of

- Forts
- Oregon Trail
- Seattle Center
- Indian Villages and Fur Traders

# Math

OMG!

Tests

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# Post High School

No College

Pizza Parlor - Video Games

Self Taught Programming

**Monk Mode**

# Programming Work

Toto/Tubes Accounting System for Roadies

Taco Bell Legal Document Manager

Medical Imaging System

Global CRM

Executive Life - PIM

**“You’re Like a 4 Year Old”**

CIO, Fortune 100 Company

# **“Study Buddy”**

The Students PIM

# **“Education Failed You”**

Rich Gaffin



# Lessons Learned

- Disruptors get put aside
- We are a front loaded education society
- You can't compete if you don't get good grades
- Work Ethic?
- I'm a terrible student & yet I have a passion for learning...

# What can we do today?

- No Outs
- Coaches
- Contests, Awards & Gamification
- Celebrate Innovators (Teachers, Staff, Students)
- BYO
- Go Faster
- It's Supposed To Be HARD
- It's OK to Fail, Fail as fast as you can!

# Technology is a tool

- Let the disruption happen
- K12 Education Model is an Old Model
- Textbooks?
- Agile Methodologies
- Multi-Modalities
- 3 of the top 10 jobs and 7 of the top 25
- The Indian/Chinese Model won't work
- Teaching vs Coaching
- You can change (disrupt) anything