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## THE FOLIO FOUR

a monthly newsletter with ways to implement, connect and get inspired from your friends at





Resources, activities and challenges to deepen connection and collaboration each month

The beginning of the school year is a reunion of sorts — bringing fresh paint, energy, and openness into the building. Getting to see colleagues again and welcoming students back creates a palpable feeling of excitement. In order to build on this momentum, now is the time to tend to the relationships you have developed with your teachers and staff. Taking the time to reinvest in those relationships now will not only create a positive starting point for your Folio work, it will also help to sustain the positive start of year momentum.

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Our focus on fostering conversation, collaboration, and community is in the service of developing meaningful relationships with our people. Collegial conversations are integral to building connections amongst the adults in our schools and modeling to the community that we put people first. Taking inspiration from the intentional work teachers do each year to set up their classes for success, ask yourself: how can I set a positive foundation with my teachers and staff this year? What can I do now to connect and build relationships to support a community of adult learners?

Find more inspiration in this <u>helpful article</u> from Harvard Business Review.

P.S. Be sure to keep reading for some exciting events coming up and a special discount code to the Festival of Education.



### Coming soon!

The Folio dashboard (commonly known as the "home page") is getting a makeover! This redesign will update the user experience for teachers and staff while keeping all the same features and functionality of the current design. Stay tuned for more details and timing.

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### 2023-2024 Masterminds!

We are offering 5 Masterminds cohorts this Fall! Mastermind groups offer leaders space to discuss ideas, hone leadership skills, and maximize their use of the myFolio platform. This year's groups are: Building Strong Relationships with Meredith Monk Ford, Department Head Cohort, New myFolio Admin, and Cultivating a Culture of Professional Growth and Celebration

**Register Today!** 

# 9/20 Webinar: Using myFolio Workspaces to support your PLC's

On 9/20 from 12-1 ET, join Jeremy Goldstein, Folio Collaborative's Director of School Success, for a session diving in to how myFolio can help your school community thrive through cohorts inspired by the PLC model and others.

Attendees will have the opportunity to explore the Workspaces function, reflect on their own leadership practice, and move forward with new perspectives on setting up opportunities for collaboration and growth for their educators.

## 10/21: Join Meredith and the Folio Team at the USA Festival of Education!

On October 21st, Meredith will be <u>speaking</u> at the inaugural USA Festival of Education at Folio member school, St. Andrew's Episcopal School. We are thrilled to extend an offer for discounted tickets to all of our Folio member schools. <u>Follow this link</u> to get 40% off the ticket price and enjoy a day celebrating educators and engaging with inspiring content. We hope to see you there!

**Register Today!** 

### 10/24 Webinar: Key Principles for Impactful Professional Growth

On October 24th from 12–1 et Executive Director, Meredith Ford will share Folio's key principles for supporting teacher growth. We believe that having a personalized approach to professional growth that maps to your school's educational philosophy and strategic goals leads to the greatest impact for teachers. You'll walk away with a checklist for mapping professional growth to the key principles.

Free registration

### 11/2-11/3: Fierce Conversations Training!

Join us for this transformative workshop and unlock the power of effective communication. This immersive two-day virtual workshop will equip you with

Get your spot

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#### **About Folio Collaborative**

Folio Collaborative supports schools through an online platform, ongoing training and coaching, and an active and robust community. We focus on facilitating the kinds of conversations, collaboration and cultures that elevate the practice of teaching and promote professional learning and growth beyond the classroom.

