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# THE FOLIO FOUR

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





School leaders, we understand how busy this time of year can feel between report cards, contracts, hiring, and admissions. Whether you've already had your spring break or it's just around the corner, it's important to carve out moments to pause, breathe, and reflect amidst the daily rush of calls, meetings, and surprise diversions.

Conversations during our recent school leader workshops reminded us how seldom you take the time to pause and celebrate your leadership progress and accomplishments. We asked participants to take a moment to reflect on the last month and write a "Spotlight" for themselves using <a href="https://our.nework.collebrating.collebrati

Of all the things that can boost inner work life, the most important is making progress in meaningful work.

The Power of Small Wins by Teresa M. Amabile and Steven J. Kramer

Take 3 minutes at the start of your next team meeting. Ask everyone to reflect on their last month: what progress/accomplishment related to their work stands out for them? Have everyone write it down using the format above and share it with the group. You will be amazed at the energy a little celebration brings to the meeting. It's a small step with a big impact.

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**Tip:** Did you know you can <u>customize the prompts in the Mindful Minute?</u> Use the Mindful Minute as a reflection tool to gather personal spotlights from the activity above, or, as a way to check-in at the beginning of a faculty meeting.

► Be sure to check out <u>our recent announcement</u> about an exciting update coming to the platform this summer!



## Webinar: Creating a Culture of Learning-A Comprehensive Approach to Fostering Growth in Schools

Join our upcoming webinar on April 11, from 12-1pm ET, co-hosted by Meredith Monk Ford and Meghan Cureton. Meghan and Meredith, who first met during a Folio training at Mount Vernon School in Georgia, have a decade-long collaboration focused on fostering growth in schools. This webinar will focus on creating clarity around a set of shared practices and principles that will guide your school and support myFolio implementation.

This is the first in our Spring webinar series where Meredith will engage with education experts to discuss current trends and best practices in school leadership and employee retention. The series is **free** for all Folio members.

Free registration

Learn how your school can foster a culture of organizational learning from Meghan and Meredith's **recent blog post** <u>"From Tactics to Transformation: Why School</u> Culture Matters Most"

## Save the Date! Folio 2024-25 Planning Co-Labs

Complete your Folio Method Implementation Plan with other Folio member schools.

Folio Co-Lab Option 1: June 20-June 21 in Owings Mills, MD. Folio Co-Lab Option 2: July 17-July 18 in Nashville, TN.

More information about registration, lodging, and scheduling will be shared soon. For now, mark your calendars and get excited for a great opportunity to connect in person!

Sign up for more info



Folio Blog Post: From Tactics to Transformation: Why School Culture Matters Most

Folio's Reflections from NAIS 2024

Feedback Is Love:" Meaningful Classroom Walkthroughs

Six Tips to Take the "Ack!" Out of Feedback

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