

Quotes for Reflection

Select one of the following statements that you find most meaningful. Explain how this statement applies to you as a Design Team leader and how it applies to the SUSD strategic planning process.

“We cannot seek achievement for ourselves and forget about progress and prosperity for our community . . . Our ambitions must be broad enough to include the aspirations and needs of others, for their sakes and for our own.”

– Cesar Chavez,
Civil Rights Activist

“The question is not how well the schools are doing compared to how well they used to; it is how well the schools are doing compared to how well they have to now.”

– Marc Tucker
Author of *Leading High Performance School Systems*

“If your actions inspire others to dream more, learn more, do more and become more, you are a leader.”

– John Quincy Adams,
6th U.S. President

“Action without vision is only passing time, vision without action is merely daydreaming, but vision with action can change the world.”

– Nelson Mandela
Former President of South Africa

“One of my fundamental beliefs is that people come most alive and feel the greatest meaning in their lives when they can see how their actions create benefit for something beyond themselves.”

– Carol Sanford,
Thought Leader on Regenerative Business

“Leadership is about making others better as a result of your presence and making sure that impact lasts in your absence”

– S. Sandberg
Philanthropist and business executive

“Leadership is a series of behaviors rather than a role for heroes.”

– Meg Wheatly
Writer, Teacher, Speaker

“The ability to shift from reaction against the past to lean into an emerging future is probably the single most important leadership capacity today.”

– Otto Scharmer
MIT, Director of the Presencing Institute