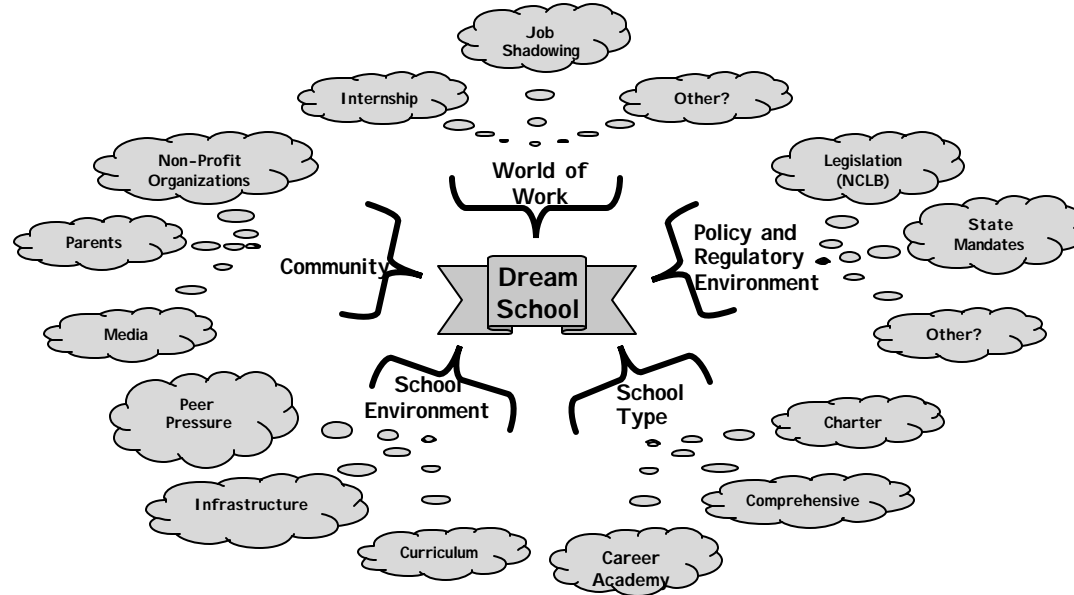


Anatomy of a Dream School



- ▶ Goal to identify numerous effective career-focused schools in the U.S. and select successful components of the most accomplished programs to create a new “dream” model
- ▶ Session constructed a model of a dream school that is comprised of primary attributes of successful national career education programs



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What to do New	Establish a professional development system to support a continuous learning process for all staff and stakeholders
	Rethink all aspects of time (time of day, length of school year, instructional and practice schedules)
	Ensure there is a flexible technology structure that is accessible to all and that will help build relationships among stakeholders
	Systems that support preK-12 objectives need to be aligned and fully funded
What to do Differently	Ensure that educational planning is collaborative, active, open, deliberate, and owned by the region
	Make students the central focus of our schools and develop individualized whole student learner plans starting in preK-12
	Encourage the development of curriculum and assessments in the “D” quadrant
What <i>Not to do</i>	Think conventionally, pessimistically, and negatively about the possibilities and opportunities

