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Capacitating Teachers and Literacy Workers vis-à-vis 21st Century Skills, Industry 4.0 and Research

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We
sometimes
forget how
much things
change
over time



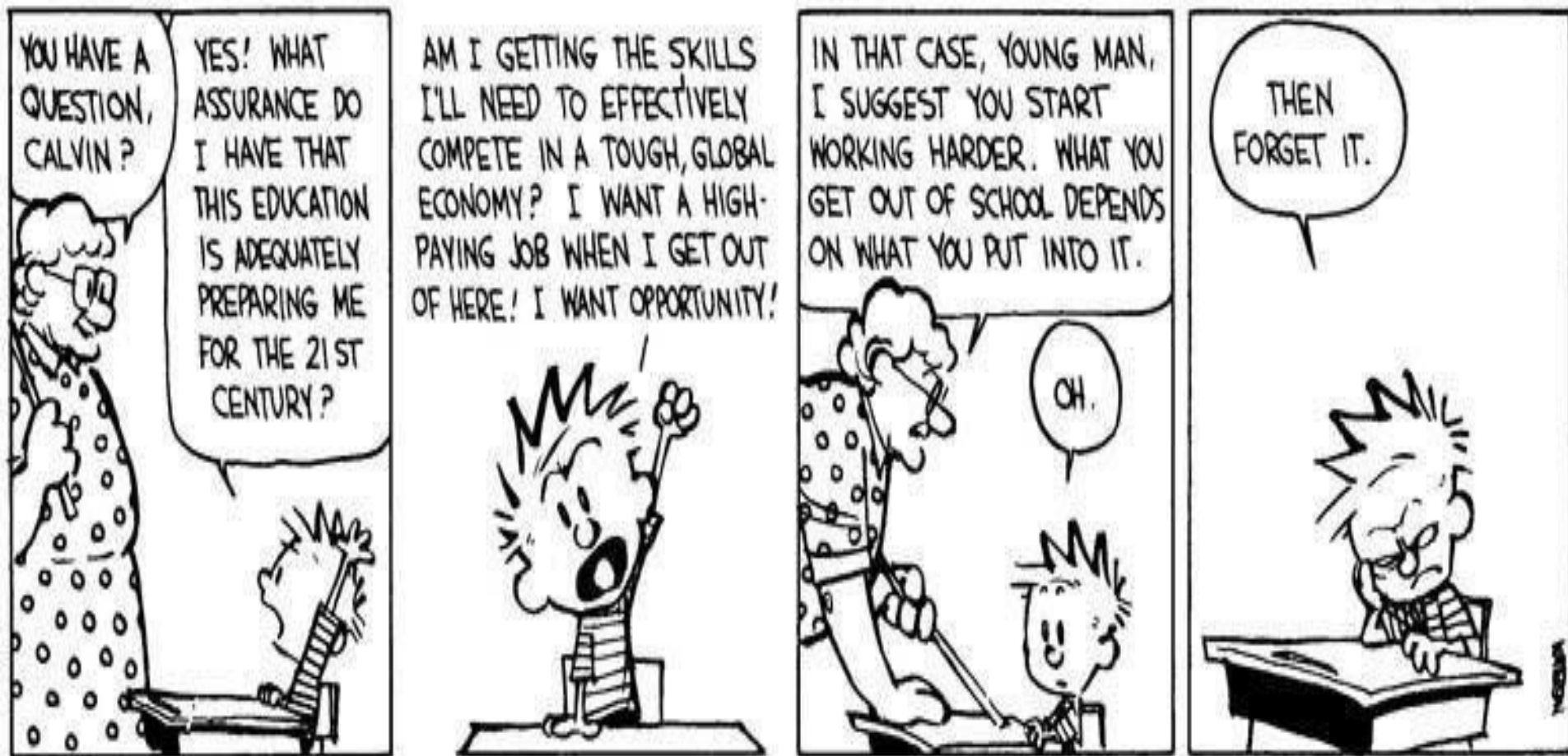
This is a
Cargo Plane
in 1956.
It is
transferring a
5MB IBM
Hard Drive.

**A 256GB
iPhone is
more than
51,000 times
that!**

Source: <http://forums.sherdog.com/threads/10-ibm-hard-drive-from-the-60s-pic-tech-brahs-gtfih.3500915/>



21st century skills





What are 21st Century Skills?

Let us make a list

What is on your List?

Critical thinking

Creativity (being
Innovative)

Thinking skills

Problem solving

Higher-order functioning

Literacy and Numeracy

Thinking Scientifically
(using evidence)

Collaboration

Communication

Technological skills

Self direction

Problem-based learning

1. Most of these have always been necessary, in all Centuries. **The difference**, is that all students, or as many as possible, are expected to have these skills.

Rotherham and Willingham, *American Educator* 2010

2. Note: **Problem-based learning** is an issue. It can be a good idea, often used poorly and actually can impede learning.

3. **Think of the Brain!** To acquire skills we need to practice



On critical thinking skills

- ... a fascinating review of the scientific research on how to teach critical thinking concludes that teaching generic critical thinking skills, such as logical reasoning, might be a big waste of time. **Critical thinking exercises and games haven't produced long-lasting improvements for students.**
- ...research literature concludes that scientists are united in their belief that **content knowledge is crucial to effective critical thinking..**

(Thinking is dependent on what one knows.)

The Hechinger Report, Monday, September 9, 2019.

SEE <https://hechingerreport.org/scientific-research-on-how-to-teach-critical-thinking-contradicts-education-trends/>



Getting the basics right.

Do our students read well enough?



Are these on your List?

Ability to concentrate

Deliberate practice – to apply and understand its importance

Automaticity of fundamental skills

Others:

Lower-order content knowledge
(Higher-order thinking is built on a Lower-order knowledge base)

Sufficient sleep – for the brain

“... the 21st-century skills movement risks becoming another fad that ultimately changes little—or even worse, sets back the cause of creating dramatically more powerful schools for students, especially those who are under-served today.”

Rotherham and Willingham,
American Educator 2010



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Did anybody say multi-tasking?



Research...shows that, in addition to **slowing you down, multitasking lowers your IQ**. A study at the University of London found that participants who multitasked during cognitive tasks experienced **IQ score declines** that were similar to what they'd expect if they had smoked marijuana or stayed up all night.

IQ drops of 15 points for multitasking men lowered their scores to the average range of an 8-year-old child.



Industry 4.0

What is Education 4.0?



Anywhere Anytime



Personal



Flexible Delivery



Peers and Mentors



Why/Where not What/How



Practical Application



Modular and Projects



Student Ownership



Evaluated not Examined



Making the bed vs inventing a robot





Few good points

- “Improving the so-called universal **basic skills of our children, namely literacy and numeracy**, is vital. They form the foundation for success in education.”
- “**Deep learning** is not possible in a crowded curriculum.”
- “**Teacher education and development** are crucial. Teachers will have to be prepared for implementing 21st-century education.”

<https://mg.co.za/article/2019-01-18-00-industry-40-is-being-taken-seriously>



Teacher/Teaching 4.0?

Possible scenarios

Sensing devices to tell teachers:

- Please increase your voice volume.
- Make eye contact.
- One student is not paying attention.

Multilingual communication:

- Teacher lectures in one language; students hear information in their native language through electronic translation devices



Can I turn in a paper
without citing all sources?

“No”.¹

¹ William Shakespeare, *Hamlet*,
Act III, Scene I, line 96



Research

Research is formalized curiosity. It is poking and prying with a purpose.

- Zora Neale Hurston

Research is to see what everybody else has seen, and to think what nobody else has thought.

- Albert Szent-Gyorgi



Different views on teachers doing research

What Professor John Hattie says:

- “Researching is a particular skill. Some of us took years to gain that skill. Asking teachers to be researchers? They are not.”
- “I want to put the emphasis on teachers as evaluators of their impact. Be skilled at that. Whereas **the whole research side, leave that to the academics.**”

He thought there was a danger that schools were trying to become too theoretical. “They are more obsessed about how they ride a bike than whether they can ride a bike well.”

He suggested that **every school should appoint specialists in interpreting data.**



What Kevan Collins of Education Endowment Foundation (EEF) says:

- “What we need to do is build the bridges and encourage a dialogue, because **researchers need teachers and obviously teachers need researchers.** We have seen what happens when those two worlds don’t orbit together – basically nobody gets better.”
- “Just because they not then crunching the numbers does not mean they are not involved. This should be seen as a **collaboration.**”



Research in PPST

Strand 1.2
Research-based
knowledge and
principles of
teaching and
learning

1.2.1
Demonstrate an
understanding of
research-based
knowledge and
principles of
teaching and
learning.

1.2.2 Use
research-based
knowledge and
principles of
teaching and
learning to
enhance
professional
practice.

1.2.3 Collaborate
with colleagues
in the conduct
and application
of research to
enrich
knowledge of
content and
pedagogy.

1.2.4 Lead
colleagues in the
advancement of
the art and
science of
teaching, based
on their
comprehensive
knowledge of
content and
pedagogy.

Going back to the main question:

How do we capacitate teachers and literacy workers on 21st century skills, industry 4.0 and research?

- There are many ways. (Let me offer one.)



The Philippine Professional Standards for Teachers (PPST) and similar standards for school heads and supervisors support 21st Century Skills, Industry 4.0 and Research.

Capacitate our teachers on the expectations set in PPST.



**Map PD support to PPST
strands and indicators.**

Domain 1 Content Knowledge and Pedagogy

Strand 1.1

Content knowledge and its application within and across curriculum areas

Strand 1.2

Research-based knowledge and principles of teaching and learning

Strand 1.3

Positive use of ICT

Strand 1.4

Strategies for promoting literacy and numeracy

Strand 1.5

Strategies for developing critical and creative thinking, as well as other higher-order thinking skills

Strand 1.6

Mother Tongue, Filipino and English in teaching and learning

Strand 1.7

Classroom communication strategies



Professional Development Framework

**Support teacher
career progression.**



NEAP (provided/endorsed)
PD programs/courses

Career Progression

**Career
Stage 1**

**Career
Stage 2**

**Career
Stage 3**

**Career
Stage 4**

**Promotion, Rewards,
Compensation**



PD programs for teachers should: (i) have research evidence;
and (ii) be mapped to the PPST.



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**Embed PPST
in the
system.
Align PD
interventions
and HR
systems**

**Recruitment,
Selection, Placement
and Induction**

L&D

Other HR Systems

**Rewards and
Recognition**

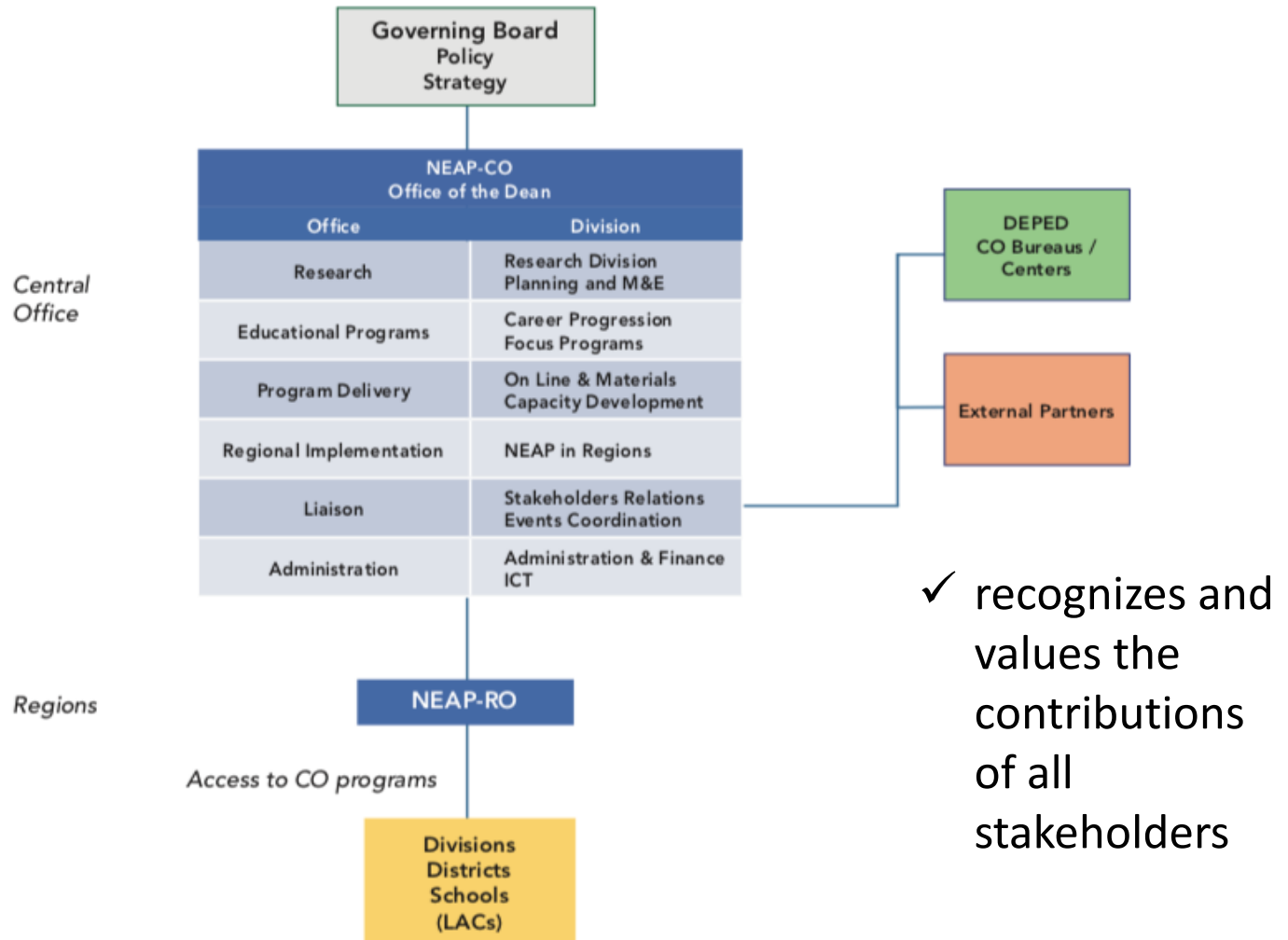
**Performance
Management**





NEAP Professional Learning Ecosystem

Engage
stakeholders.





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Last few slides....



Philippines Economic Update

- Rapid technological advances are increasingly making **human capital**—knowledge, skills, and good health— **essential to a country's economic success**.
- Human capital is a **critical driver of both economic growth and inclusion** (p.47).

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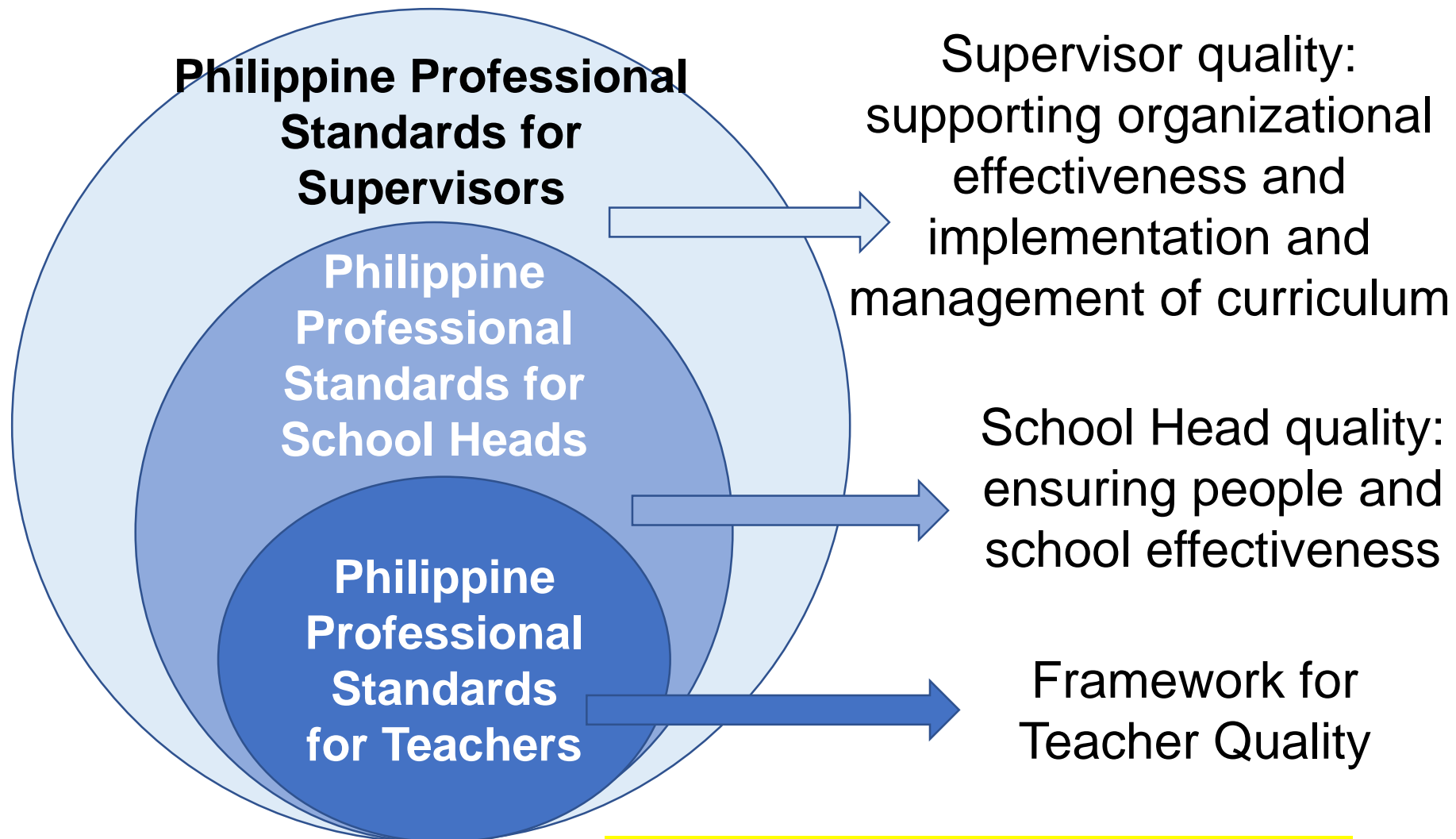


KEY POLICY LEVERS FOR HUMAN CAPITAL

- There are a large number of initiatives in the Philippines focused on boosting human capital development.
- Specific initiatives include the Philippines Plan of Action for Nutrition, the **new Philippines Professional Standards for Teachers**, the new Universal Health Coverage Law, and ongoing efforts to improve the *Pantawid Pamilyang Pilipino Program*.
- The principal challenge facing policymakers is the effective implementation of these initiatives. (p.60)



Strengthening the Human Capital

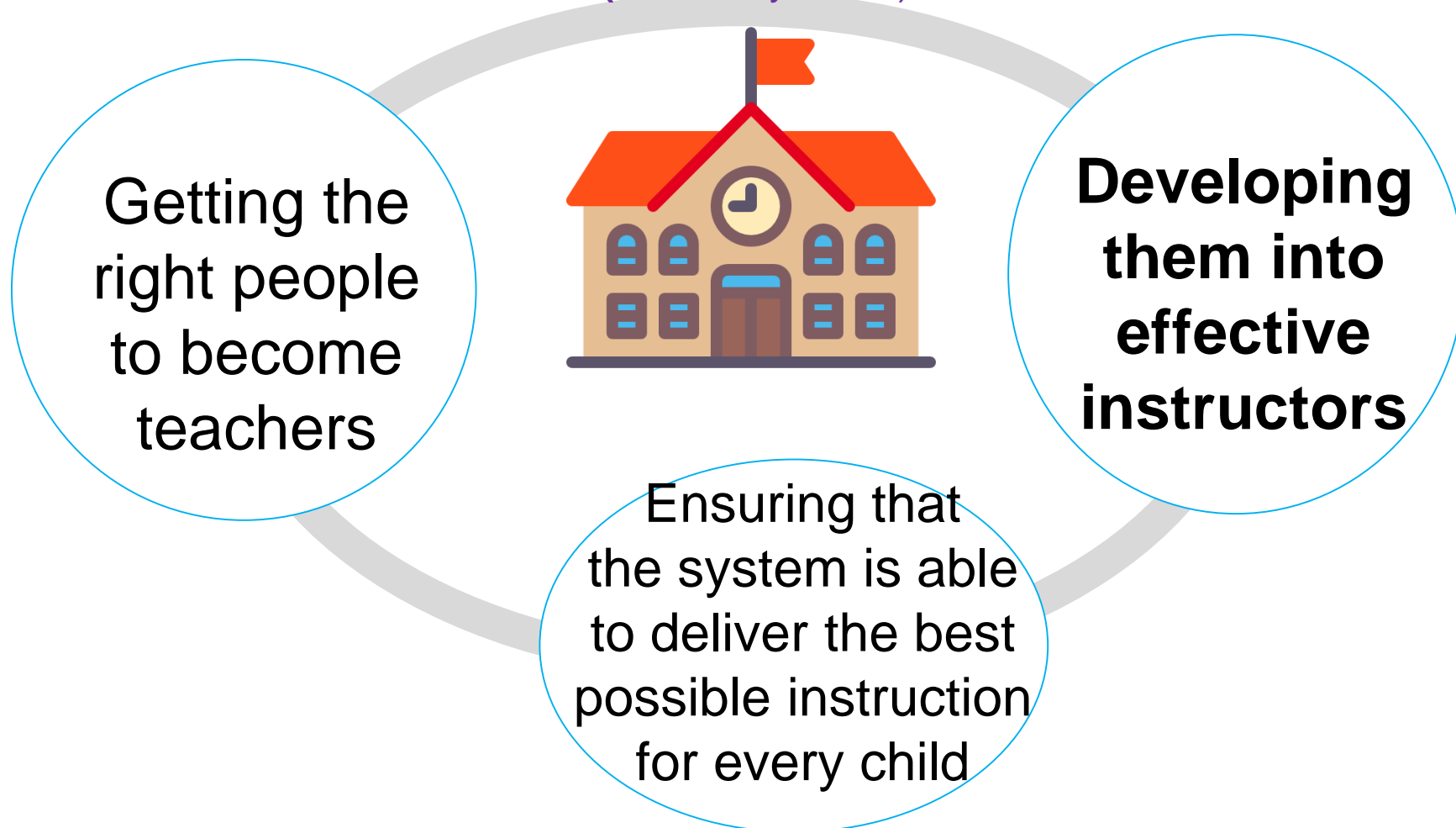


Note: Pathways from teaching to school leadership for discussion.



Three things that matter most in top school systems

(McKinsey, 2007)





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Thank you.