

# Guest Editorial Veloz Viewpoints

By Anthony Berkley

Look at an iPod or the award-winning new running shoe, the Free Simple... and... there's a lot of science and engineering here.

Innovative corporations like Nike and Apple know how to reach their school-age customers with products and services that expand minds and build bodies. They have a deep understanding of the needs and interests of young people... and a keen eye for design.

How do these lessons translate into schools and the debates about how to improve education in the US? With support from the W.K. Kellogg Foundation, education leaders in Ohio, New Mexico, Florida and elsewhere are discovering new solutions to perennial school challenges by using a method called "human-centered design."

The first sets of guidelines were published as "Tangible Steps Toward Tomorrow" and are freely available at www.wkkf.org. One surprise is how much these potential designs focus on connecting... connecting with teachers, students and with one another, and classrooms to community resources.

Consider Massachusetts 2020, a Boston-area nonprofit that works with public schools to add an extra few hours to the school day. This simple, concrete innovation... opens up a world of new opportunities to connect and learn. It gives teachers the time they need to really teach each other... and explore student interests as well as their own.

We know the United States spends more on education than any other country. We invest more on research and development behind many industrialized countries in terms of per capita achievement. Yet, when we discuss education, the focus narrows to the traditional issues of teacher qualifications, standards and achievement gaps.

It is not hard to imagine how forward-thinking companies like Nike or Apple would react to this situation. Such corporations are well-known for staying on the cutting edge through their commitment to design. Famously, their products balance research and engineering with great look and feel.

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Greetings from Nevada! I hope you are all having a great week. It is so hot and there's a lot of science and engineering here.

We thought the kids would enjoy some outside time and it is always nice to get out of the house on the weekends. So, we got up to the spot and started to get our stuff out of the car.

We took my ponytail holder and tied the shirt up for her so it wasn't dragging on the ground. We ate our lunch and then decided we shouldn't hang around that we should get back down the mountain in case her fever took a turn for the worse.

After we left the spot, we had stopped we heard a very loud thumping noise. We blew a tire and we had to change it. We shored it up and we shored it up and we shored it up.

So, here is my poor husband, on the ground under the tires and he was trying to get the tire without a changing tool.

We got it changed and we got back on our way. We got home, unloaded the kids and we got it changed and we got back on our way.

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# OPINION Steve's Report

By Steve Sealf

Now that our oldest two have left the nest, I am now, and our youngest is about to start high school, I have discovered that I am particularly susceptible to a strange mental ailment.

Everything will be going smooth and all seemed to be going great and I might be walking and hold it up in an aisle at the grocery store. I was given her a bath and I was given her a bath and I was given her a bath.

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# Takin' From The Mountains

By Dale Greer

4/04/2008 McConnell complains in his latest Email to supporters that the Sierra Club is attacking him. The Sierra Club is not 'left' or 'right' or 'radical' or 'liberal' or 'conservative' or 'moderate' or 'extreme' or 'centrist' or 'mainstream' or 'outlier' or 'maverick' or 'heretic' or 'schismatic' or 'heretic' or 'schismatic' or 'heretic' or 'schismatic'.

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