Scott Schultz Biographical Sketch

For the last year Schultz has served as the inaugural director of the STEM Talent Institute. The Institute serves the Great Lakes Bay Region as a catalyst for educational change and novel solutions to STEM-related educational and employment issues. By working collaboratively with leaders from K-12, higher education, non-profits, communities and businesses, pathways will be created for exciting and rewarding STEM careers.

Schultz currently serves as the Principle Investigator on two grants, a TUES level 2 NSF grant to provide professional development for Two-Year College Physics faculty during their first five years of teaching and a 4.0 million dollar family foundation grant to create a mobile STEM Exploration / Maker Space to provide world class educational opportunities for the youth of the Great Lakes Bay Region. Schultz has served as Chair of the Science Division at Delta College and maintains his faculty rank as Professor of Physics. Schultz has also taught high school physics.

Leadership Philosophy

Lead by your strengths, lead with integrity, develop your leadership skills, but lead. The further you push the boundaries into areas most desperate for innovation and change, the more reliant you will need to depend on relationships and the community of partners you develop. It takes time to develop these relationships, but if the project is going to be bigger than one person, bigger than just you, these relationships will be essential to the long term success of the program. Communication is crucial; take the time to ensure you are properly communicating expectations, vision, next steps and SUCCESSES. Care for those that you lead and have a trusted mentor to seek advice.

Favorite Leadership Books:

Switch By Chip and Dan Heath

Good to Great by Jim Collins

The Five dysfunctions of a Team by Patrick Lencioni