Technology and the Future of Education

The rapid growth of technology is transforming the labor market and the project of education itself. How are we preparing young people to participate in the society and economy of the future? What are policies and practices that develop necessary human capital when it comes to technology in learning and working environments? Explore the Pathways in Technology Early College High Schools (P-TECH) model as a proof point to kick off the discussion about how we can work effectively and equitably to educate for the future.

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