



5.2 CLOSING REMARKS

Congratulations you have reached the end of this module. You have taken time out of your busy lives to take in all that this module had to present and offer and for that I would like to acknowledge it and express my appreciation. I hope you are ending this module with new ideas, and you feel motivated to give the STREAMpreneur approach a try. I also hope that you come back to this module and revisit some or all of these videos again as it takes time for information to percolate and sink in.

All interactive and innovative learning and teaching approaches that are new to us need trial, error, and time. You will have to take it one step at a time both theoretically and practically. You will have to implement what you have been introduced to one step at a time and through trial and error discover the details that can enhance and suit your educational style and individual personality as well as fit your youth members' needs and interests.

A kind reminder however, that taking on the STREAMpreneur approach or new teaching approaches in general, is not meant to happen in a way that you as a person become unrecognisable. You are not supposed to lose yourself in these methods and approaches. They are meant to 1) give your youth group more quality time with you and 2) they are supposed to help you rediscover your creative self and share it with your youth group in order to engage them productively during the learning and support process. All in all, they are there to help YOU give your learners the best version of you. As you do try them on, give yourself time and grace. Full, extensive and more importantly productive implementation of STREAMpreneur or any other educational approach will take time. For Blended learning for example it could take up to 3 years and in some cases more depending on the support and infrastructure that you have at your disposal. Do not be alarmed or discouraged by this time frame and do not rush to implement every single idea in one go as taking on a lot at the same time 1) will put unnecessary pressure on yourself and 2) you will be spread so thin that you will not have adequate time to be intentional and mindful when choosing and implementing certain ideas, thus you will not be as effective as you intended to be.

To close let me remind you that you are not on your own when it comes to this learning journey. First of all, you now have me as an ally which you can turn to for support whenever you need. As you know you can connect with me via LinkedIn or email. Your most important ally however is the one you will find in the youth you work with. Work with them intentionally, collaboratively, listen to them, give them a voice, make them an equal team member, give them ownership in this STREAMpreneur journey that you will take on together. Do that sincerely. If you do that they will get a feeling of belonging, they will feel proud, accountable and engaged. So, partner up with them and discover what education has to offer together.

I wish you all the best and I hope you reach out. Take care and do not forget to have fun while taking on STREAMpreneurship.

