

### Our Workshop's Essential Questions:

- 1) How can I better promote two specific 21<sup>st</sup> Century Competencies (**Knowledge Construction & Use of Technology for Learning**) in my GATE classroom or when working with GATE students?
  - 2) How can using Google Slides with Screencast-O-Matic increase the **student-centeredness** of our GATE curriculum? How can these programs improve our **Project-Based Learning** philosophy?
  - 3) What tools for **self-regulation** would need to be developed to ensure quality student output?
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Set Your Timer! You have ONLY 35 minutes to complete this project with your partner.

## Center #2: Dynamic Backgrounds (and Speakers)

### Your video's topic: Veeps or state capitol buildings

1. Find a towel or two in the towel collection that you could use to create a new background to be behind you as you film yourself presenting.
2. With your partner, brainstorm ideas for a short video that obeys the following requirements:
  - a. Both partners must appear in the filming box during the recorded presentation at some time. I'd prefer it if they appeared separately as opposed to in the same frame.
  - b. At some point in the filmed presentation, the background has to change. Use the towels or something else that will allow you to quickly have a new background. Please don't hand-create a complicated background because your time is limited.
3. TOPIC for your video: research two unique or interesting facts about any former vice- president or any state capitol building, and learn enough so that you and your partner can discuss them in your 30-second to one-minute filmed presentation.
4. Create a short Google Slide show wherein you prepare to appear and discuss facts with your partner who will also be filmed in front of a different background.
1. Practice with your partner. Practice discussing out loud your two facts in your own words so you don't have to read exactly what you may have written on your Google Slides.
5. Use Screencast-O-Matic to record you and your partner having your discussion. It's okay to mess up and have to start over, but your third try will have to be your "final take."

Bonus Challenges (if you have the time or a gifted and talented inclination)...

- Use the pause button in Screencast-O-Matic during filming to change the background while the camera is temporarily paused
- Do an image search to find a frame that fits nicely around the videoed version of you during your recording
- I double dare you to change backgrounds, change back, change backgrounds, and change back again all in the same short video. Dare accepted?