

DAVID DU TOIT

David du Toit has been an educator since 1992. In this time he has had the privilege of working in a variety of top quality schools, both Departmental and Independent. David is the Head of St Stithians Boys' College, an Independent School in Johannesburg, and he was the Head at Lebone II College of the Royal Bafokeng, an Independent School in Phokeng, in the North West Province. Previous experiences at Lebone II College of the Royal Bafokeng, St Stithians Boys' College and Grey High School have provided him with an extensive exposure to 21st Century schooling and best practice in schools.

David has travelled to a variety of schools both in Southern Africa and abroad, gathering ideas on current practices in education. In his time at Lebone II, a flagship Bafokeng school that is exploring ways in which a school can impact on its community, David was plunged into new realisations of just how desperate the situation in education in South Africa is. He is, however, excited by the youth of this country and the potential they have to bring about change. As an innovative educational thinker and leader David strives to reshape the landscape of the traditional school environment and harness the potential that schools have to transform society. Through his experiences he has seen the importance of being culturally agile as that which will provide people with a competitive and enriching advantage.

David is a family man, who enjoys a range of sports and relaxing in the bush. He loves buying books but still has to find time to read them.

A passion for young people and their immense potential is what keeps David in the classroom, and passionately devoting his time and energy into the schools in which he works.

Topic:

Cultural agility – enriching difference, competitive edge.

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