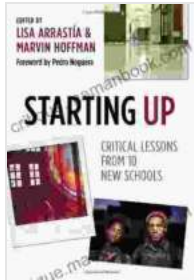


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Starting a new school is a daunting task, but it can also be an incredibly rewarding one. In this article, we will examine the critical lessons learned from the experiences of 10 new schools, providing valuable insights and guidance for aspiring school founders.

1. Embrace Flexibility

One of the most important things that new schools must learn is the importance of flexibility. Things will inevitably not go according to plan, and you must be prepared to adjust your course as needed. This means being willing to change your curriculum, your schedule, or even your mission if necessary.



2. Build a Strong Team

Another critical lesson is the importance of building a strong team. This includes both your staff and your board of directors. Your team should be made up of people who are passionate about your mission and who are willing to work hard to make your vision a reality.

3. Don't Be Afraid to Ask for Help

There will be times when you need to ask for help. Don't be afraid to reach out to other schools, organizations, or individuals who can offer you support. There are many people who are willing to help new schools succeed, so don't hesitate to take advantage of their help.

4. Be Patient

Starting a new school takes time and effort. Don't expect to see results overnight. It takes time to build a strong team, develop a strong curriculum, and attract students. Be patient and persistent, and you will eventually achieve your goals.

5. Celebrate Your Successes

It is important to celebrate your successes along the way. This will help you to stay motivated and focused on your mission. Take the time to recognize your team's hard work, and celebrate the milestones that you achieve.

6. Learn from Your Mistakes

Everyone makes mistakes. The key is to learn from them and move on. Don't be afraid to admit when you have made a mistake, and use it as an opportunity to learn and grow.

7. Be Adaptable

The world is constantly changing, and schools must be able to adapt to change in order to survive. This means being willing to change your curriculum, your schedule, or even your mission if necessary.

8. Be Innovative

In order to stand out from the crowd, schools must be innovative. This means being willing to try new things and take risks. Don't be afraid to experiment, and see what works best for your school.

9. Be Passionate

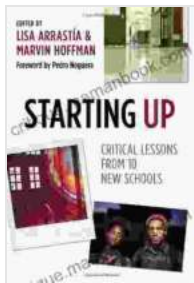
Starting a new school is hard work, but it is also incredibly rewarding. If you are not passionate about your mission, you will quickly give up. Make sure

that you are passionate about your school and its mission, and this will help you to overcome any challenges that you encounter.

10. Have Fun

Starting a new school should be fun! Enjoy the process of building your school and watching it grow. Don't take yourself too seriously, and make sure to have fun along the way.

These are just a few of the critical lessons that new schools can learn from the experiences of others. By following these lessons, you can increase your chances of success and build a school that you are proud of.



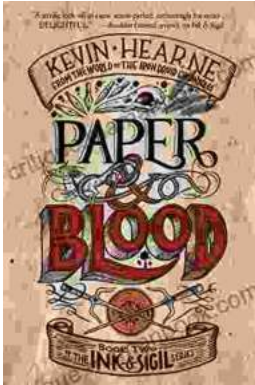
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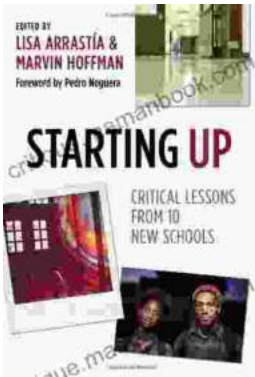
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