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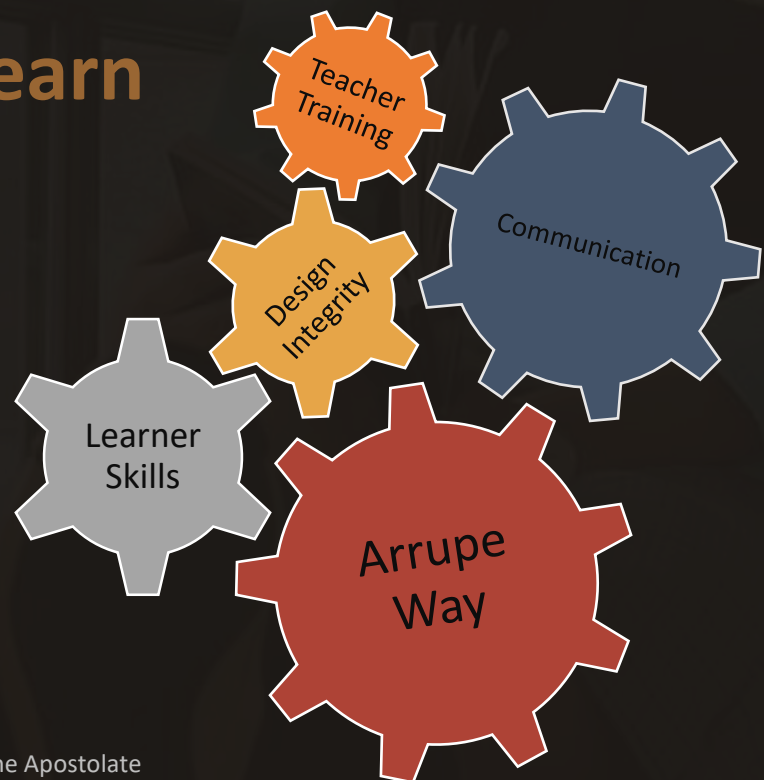
The Big Question

How can we **capitalize on the power of the online environment** to build **authentic learning experiences** where students explore and construct a richer, more complete understanding of course concepts through the **exchange of perspective**?

Arrupe Virtual's Distinct Advantages

❖ Our students are geographically, ethnically, racially, and socioeconomically diverse.
❖ Our member schools' Catholic identity provides rich soil for meaningful dialogue.
❖ Our classrooms are not bound by elements of time and physical space.

Go Forth and Learn

The interchange of ideas will be more effective if each student is inserted into the concrete reality of the region in which he/she is located and is engaged in an ongoing exchange of ideas and experiences with other students.

Teacher Training
Communication
Design Integrity
Learner Skills
Arrupe Way

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Why It Matters

As a Catholic-centered educational organization that occupies space in the digital world, we have an obligation to model practices that foster digital encounter - awakening the human spirit and encouraging a generous response to the world around us.

The Components of Go Forth and Learn

The Arrupe Way - Our pedagogical approach that is rooted in Backward Design and focuses on principles of Engagement (Behavioral, Cognitive, and Emotional), Communication, and Assessment.

Learner Skills - Inventories, tutorials, resources, and communications designed to help students focus on their metacognition and the essential skills needed to succeed as independent learners.

Design Integrity - Our efforts to utilize a simple set of technology tools and curriculum design elements to 1) insure students' cognitive attention remains on learning, and 2) optimize the *Arrupe Way*.

Communications - Communications strategies to reinforce *Go Forth and Learn*.

Teacher Training - Designed for Arrupe Virtual teachers, a comprehensive program that includes just-in-time support, virtual events and spaces for sharing resources and best practices, and a blended training program for select teachers that culminates in a summer institute. All to explore, design, and deploy specific strategies to 1) improve engagement, communication, and assessment, and 2) capitalizes on the power of the online environment to foster a rich diversity of thought and sharing.