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# Follow, Don't Lead

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# **Three Keys to Intrinsic Motivation:**

- Autonomy "Hmm... I get to choose!"
- Mastery "I did it!"
- Purpose "I feel it in my gut!"

# **Build Autonomy**

Create a Learning Journal for each child in a binder or spiral. It can have the concept, idea or objective you wish your child to learn along with room to write/draw.

At the beginning of a learning session ask: "What does this concept mean to you?" Encourage your children to think in first person affirmative statements:

- I can... or I will be able to...
- I know... or I will understand...
- If you give me then I can .

Use examples get started and/or keep the flow, if necessary. Ask your children, "What kinds of things can we do or use to learn more about this?"

Everyday ask:

- What does this concept mean to you, today?
- How is this different from yesterday?
- Have you seen new examples?
- What kinds of things can we do or use to learn more about this?

### **Encourage Mastery**

Focus on the must-learn concepts and allowing your children to extrapolate the rest.

## **Allow for Purpose**

Allow your children to find their own purpose for a subject – even if it means leaving the whole subject alone for long stretches.

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