



**The  
Fairport Central School District  
Presents:**

**21st Century Learning and  
Educating the Whole Child**

**An Evening with  
Dr. Yong Zhao**

Dr. Zhao's work focuses on the implications of globalization and technology for education. Recent education reforms, such as "college readiness" or efforts to address problems, such as "achievement gaps," are still based on a system that perpetuates existing societal structures which favor the elite and a single path to success. He believes that a paradigm shift is needed in order to achieve true social mobility and change for our students.

In his view, each learner should be treated as an individual with their own talents and aptitudes. He advocates a "strengths-based" approach. Children should be allowed to develop their own pathways and ideas. The aim is for students to gain confidence and develop an entrepreneurial mind-set, the belief and the willingness to shape their own futures.

Dr Zhao is a Foundation Distinguished Professor in the School of Education at the University of Kansas. His recent presentations include the NYS School Boards Association Conference, as well as the ASCD Whole Child Conference.

**We invite the Fairport Community to attend this exciting presentation.**

**Monday, April 23, 2018**

**6:30 - 8:00 p.m.**

**Fairport High School Room 512**