

The Program
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side x side

YEAR 1 REPORT: Planning Year



The [Re]Imagining Education project had a highly successful planning year, under challenging circumstances. Side x Side deepened their work with teachers in Portland, built relationships with the new school and district leaders in Lewiston, recruited a cohort of enthusiastic educators and local teaching artists, planned and hosted two summer arts institutes, and planned for the school year. All of this was achieved while developing and streamlining administrative systems and practices, bringing in new staff and contractors, and maintaining a focus on core values. This has taken passion, thoughtfulness, creativity, and hard work.

