Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend

Getting Your Team on Board – Empathy Exercise

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Let's Put ourselves in the place of future students and families





When empathizing with others

- To understand who someone is and where they are coming from, we need to try and understand:
- What motivates them?
- What matters most to them?
- What challenges are they facing?
- What values drive them?

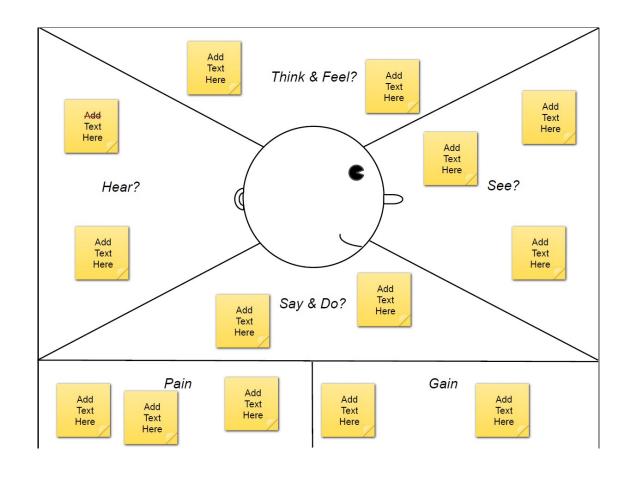
The secret to building empathy in our communities





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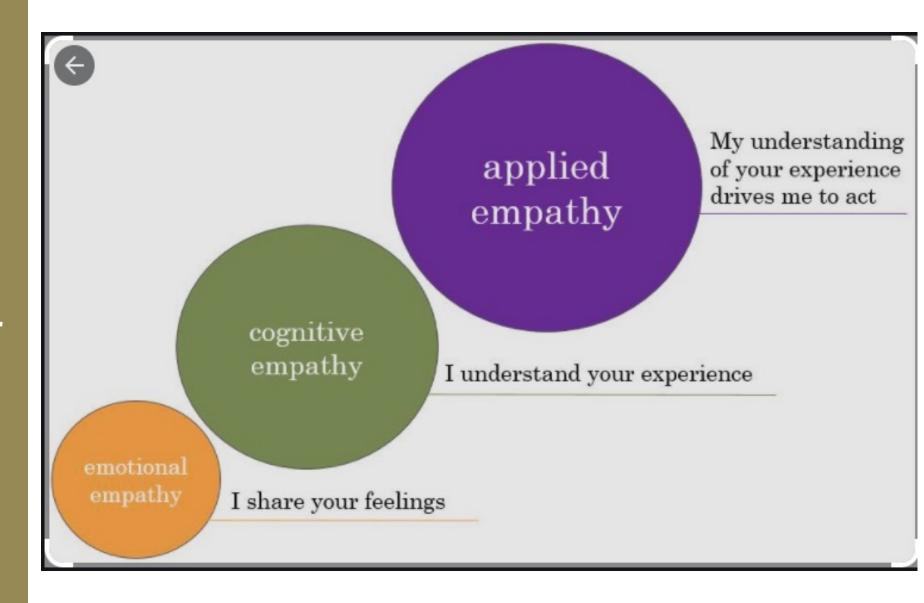
Student Empathy
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We need to work to get everyone in our buildings to the 3rd step





Questions to think about

- Put yourself in the shoes of a visitor and family looking at your school
- When a family is visiting your school what do you hope they see?
- What tangible and intangible signs describe who you are as an institution?



As a member of this community

- What can you say and do to help foster future business and robust enrollment of students at your school?
- Where does this occur?
- What should a student see community members saying and doing during a visit.
- What should a prospective student or family say and do after visiting?



Hear

- What should a prospective family or student hear when visiting CBHS?
- What interactions are important to us in terms of our mission as Lasallians?
- How can a prospective student or family "hear" us touching hearts and teaching minds?

Pain/Gain

 There are pains and gains for some if not all incoming students





What does they THINK AND FEEL? • When thinking about high school in general? What do they • After visiting? What do they HEAR? SEE? While visiting During a personal tour Open House When interacting with Personal Tour you personally? Observing other When coming onto students campus for the first • Listening to teachers, time? faculty and staff What do they Say and Do? After visiting • What can you say and do to impact what this young man feels, sees, hears about?

PAIN

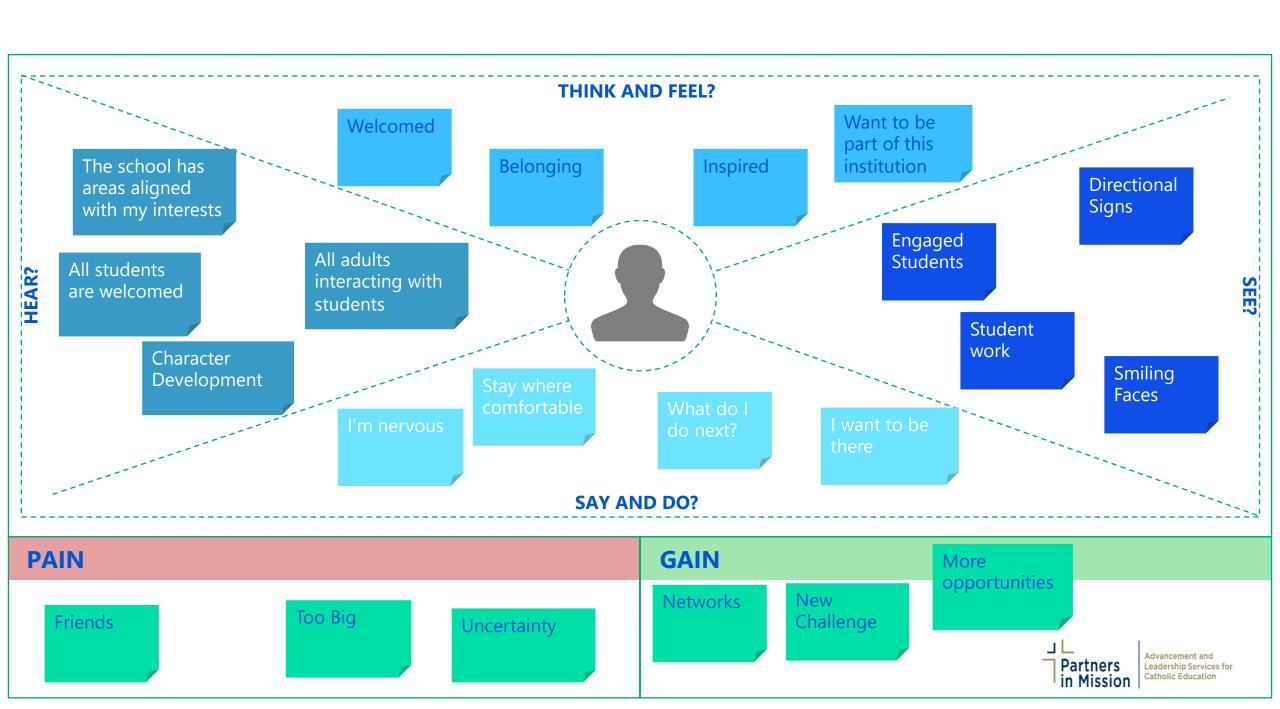
 What are the potential drawbacks of this student joining this new Community?

GAIN

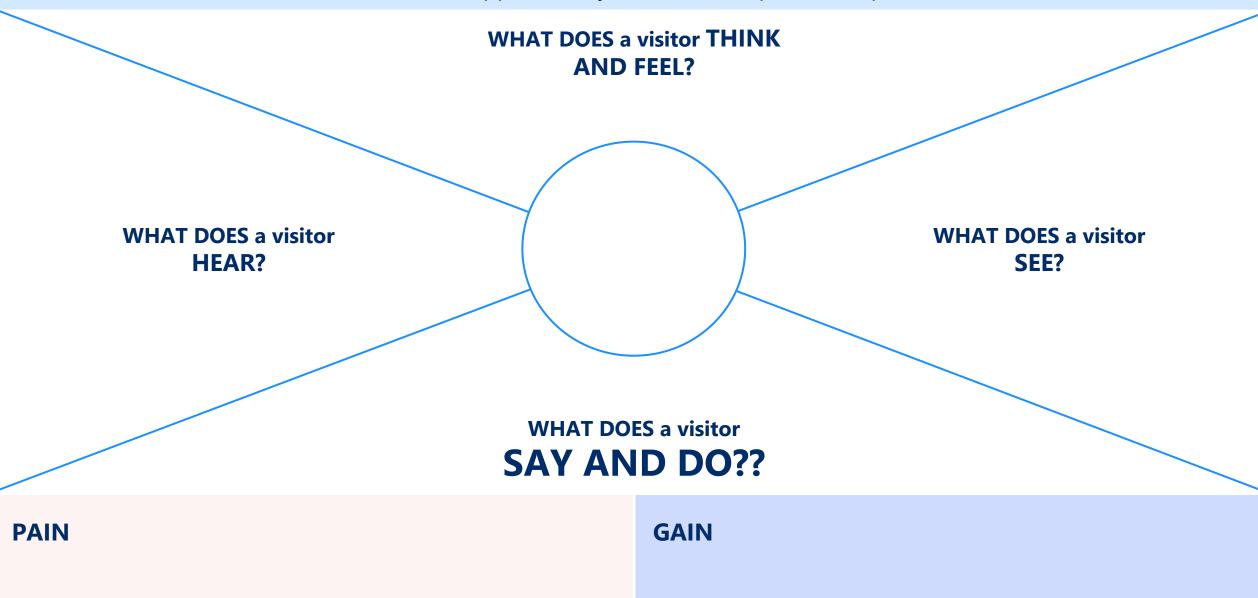
 What are the positives for This student to join your school?



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HYPOTHETICAL SITUATION – What could happen if they didn't have a positive experience?





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