

Incoming Sixth Grade Parent Orientation

Roger Ludlowe Middle School

2015

The skills and dispositions typically taught in schools were required by 95% of the workforce in the early 1900s.

The same skills and dispositions are required by only 5% of the workforce in the 21st century.

(Barron & Darling-Hammond, 2008)

We are preparing students
for a world that doesn't yet
exist, and we have no way
of knowing what it looks like

(Sir Ken Robinson, 2007)

“When we no longer know what to do, we have come to our real work, and when we no longer know which way to go, we have begun our real journey. The mind that is not baffled is not employed. The impeded stream is the one that sings.”

-- Wendell Berry

- Rigor
- Relevance
- Relationships

(Duggest, 2008; Ball, 2008) & Quaglia, 2007; Quint,

Personal Academic
development improvement

“Treat people as if they were
what they ought to be and you
help them become what they
are capable of becoming.”

-- Goethe

Incoming 6th Grade Students



The incoming 6th grade will have ~268 students



Crews



RLMS Crews

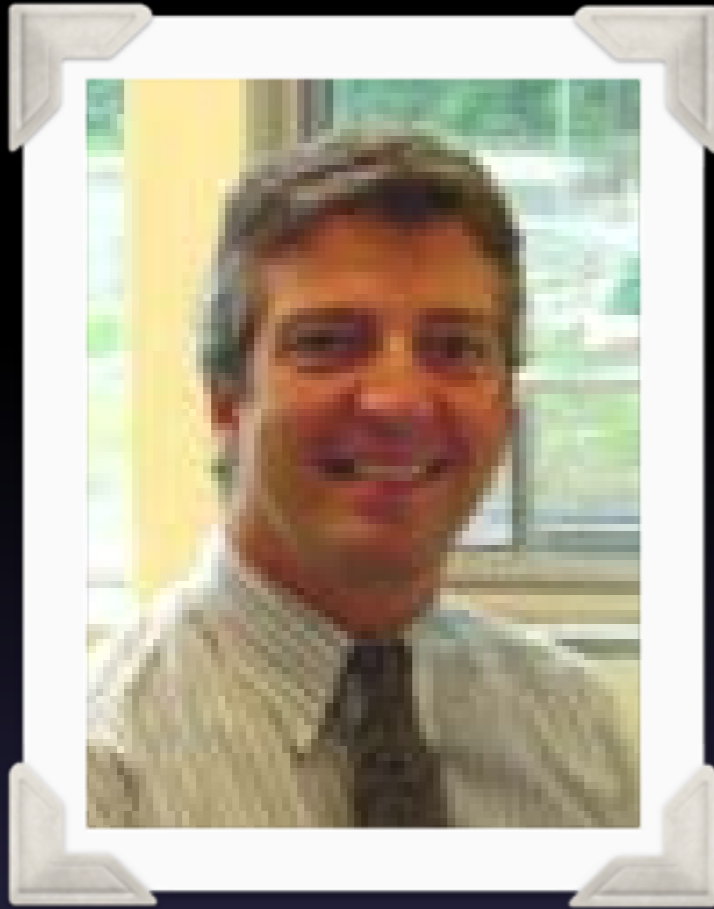
- ◆ Four crews
- ◆ Each crew has an average of ~66 children
- ◆ Each crew has three teachers
- ◆ Each teacher teaches Language Arts and one content area (Math, Science or Social Studies)

School Counselor: Kelly Cummings

- ◆ Provides individual and group counseling
- ◆ Developmental guidance lessons
- ◆ Home-school liaison
- ◆ Each counselor remains with the same grade of students throughout their three years at RLMS



Counseling Services



Walter Young

- ◆ Full time school psychologist



Meg Rosenau

- ◆ Social worker and student assistance counseling services

Dean



Steve DeAngelo

- ◆ Maintain a healthy learning environment
- ◆ Enforce school rules
- ◆ Connection between counselors and administration

Library Media Center

- 📖 Homeroom checkouts
- 📖 Classroom visits
- 📖 School projects
- 📖 Equipped with a class set of computers



Technology at RLMS

- For school projects
 - Five classroom size computer labs
 - Class sets of netbook carts to be used in any classroom
- Student computer station in every classroom
- Two class sets of iPods with microphones



School Communication

Infinite Campus

- ◆ We use Infinite Campus to communicate
- ◆ You will have access to your child's courses and grades, as well as assignments and notes posted by the school
- ◆ Please log in and begin using it as soon as you can

Typical Grade 6 School Day

Monday, Wednesday, Friday

Time	Period	Subject
8:10 - 8:34 a.m.	Homeroom	Homeroom/SSR
8:37 - 10:12 a.m.	1 and 2	Language Arts (including Spanish)
10:15 - 11:01 a.m.	3	Science, Soc. Studies or Math
11:03 - 11:34 a.m.	Lunch	Lunch
11:36 a.m. - 12:21 p.m.	4	Science, Soc. Studies or Math
12:24 - 1:10 p.m.	5	Science, Soc. Studies or Math
1:13 - 2:00 p.m.	6	Unified Arts (Art, Computers, Consumer Science, Health, Music, PE)
2:03 - 2:50 p.m.	7	Unified Arts (Art, Computers, Consumer Science, Health, Music, PE)

Typical Grade 6 School Day

Tuesday and Thursday

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8:10 - 8:34 a.m.	Homeroom	Homeroom/SSR
8:37 - 10:12 a.m.	1 and 2	Language Arts (including Spanish)
10:15 - 11:01 a.m.	3	Science, Soc. Studies or Math
11:03 - 11:34 a.m.	Lunch	Lunch
11:36 a.m. - 12:21 p.m.	7	Unified Arts (Art, Computers, Consumer Science, Health, Music, PE)
12:24 - 1:10 p.m.	6	Unified Arts (Art, Computers, Consumer Science, Health, Music, PE)
1:13 - 2:00 p.m.	5	Science, Soc. Studies or Math
2:03 - 2:50 p.m.	4	Science, Soc. Studies or Math

Extra Curricular Activities

- ◆ Sports: Basketball, Cross Country, Track, and Cheerleading
- ◆ Peer Leadership
- ◆ Garden Club, Chess Club
- ◆ Yearbook, Newspaper, Literary Magazine
- ◆ Drama Club, Jazz Band
- ◆ Family Consumer Science Club, Technology Club
- ◆ Homework Club and Club O



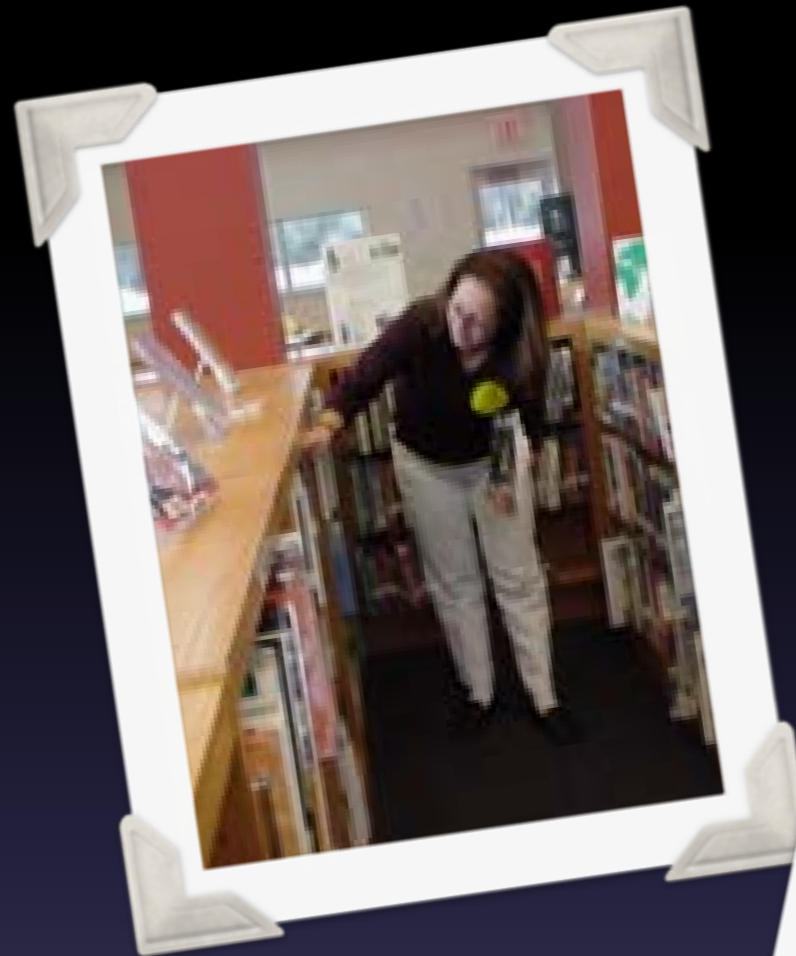
Parent Involvement at RLMS

- ◆ Volunteers

- Library
- Field Trips
- P.T.S.A.

- ◆ Team meetings

- ◆ Scheduled parent-teacher conferences



Keeping in Touch with RLMS

- ◆ P.T.S.A. Friday Blast
- ◆ School website
- ◆ Infinite campus
- ◆ E-mail: teacher's first initial and last name @ fairfieldschools.org (check with individual teacher)

Example: (mtiley@fairfieldschools.org)

5th Grade Student Orientation and Team Building Day

- ◆ Wednesday, June 3, 2015
- ◆ 9:30 a.m. - 1:15 p.m.
- ◆ UA workshops, activities and lunch



6th Grade Students' First Day of School

- ◆ Wednesday, September 2, 2015
- ◆ 9:00 – 11:00 am (subject to change. This will be published in the electronic summer mailing)
- ◆ Review schedules and become acclimated to the school



“What lies behind us and what lies before us are
tiny matters compared to what lies within us”

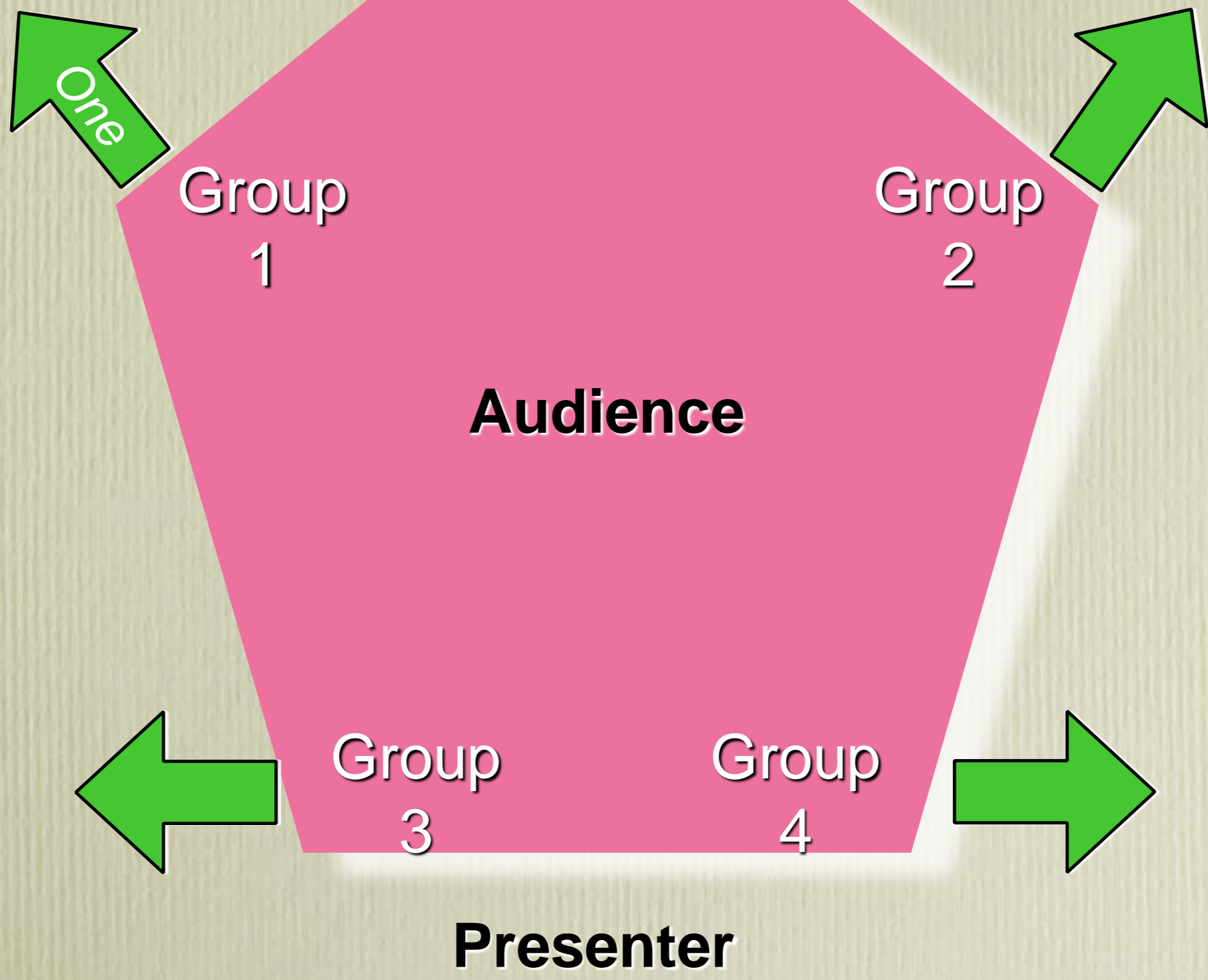
– Ralph Waldo Emerson

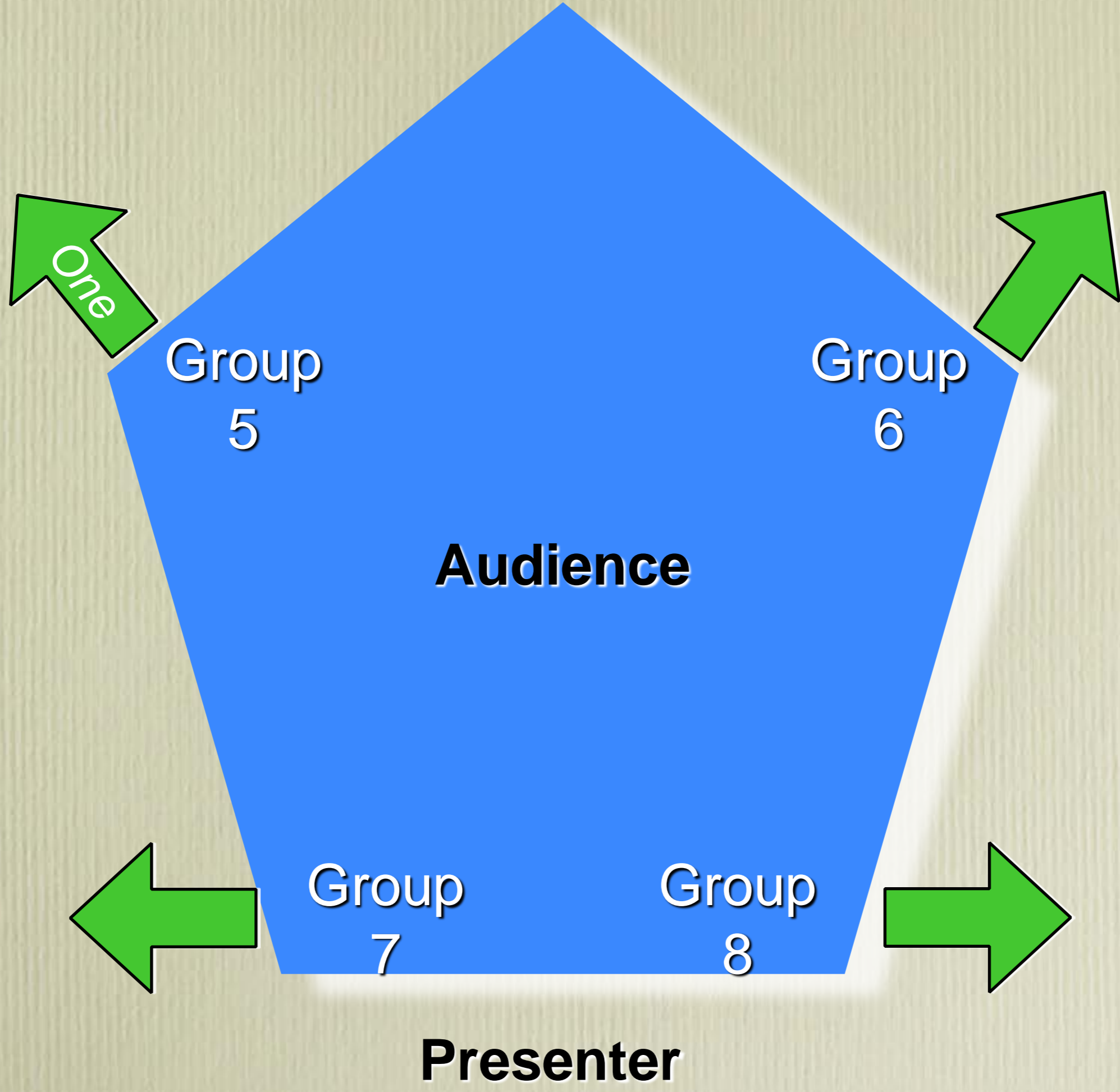
“Never let your memories be greater than your
dreams.”

– Doug Ivester

Tour Time







Group
5

Group
6

Audience

Group
7

Group
8

One

Presenter