

TEST INTRODUCTION

OVERVIEW OF TEST YOUR PROTOTYPE PHASE

The worksheets in the **Test Your Prototype** phase are designed to help you construct tangible tests of your solutions. These tests are intended to elicit feedback, answer specific questions about a concept and test assumptions embedded in the ideas. The work of these workshops can be done collaboratively with school-based teams or other schools. Prototyping will be conducted by individual educators.

This phase of the design challenge will include: preparing you to test your prototype and reflect on what you learned, evaluating your idea based on the stakeholder's needs and determining the best next steps.

OBJECTIVES OF TEST YOUR PROTOTYPE PHASE

The goal of this phase is to test your low-resolution prototype with stakeholders to get authentic feedback.

At the end of this phase, you should be clear about whether the solution you brainstormed has the potential to meet the needs you identified in your POV statement. You should also have a clear sense of how you want to iterate your next prototype.

MINDSETS OF TEST YOUR PROTOTYPE PHASE

- Stay optimistic that you can solve the problem
- Prototype early and often in order to learn about your idea
- Start small to make big change
- Show don't tell
- Many cycles of prototyping are necessary to develop an idea
- Feedback is a gift to improve your ideas

