## Wanting It All:

### Designing and Developing A Sustainable Life Of Well-Being Through Reflective Practice

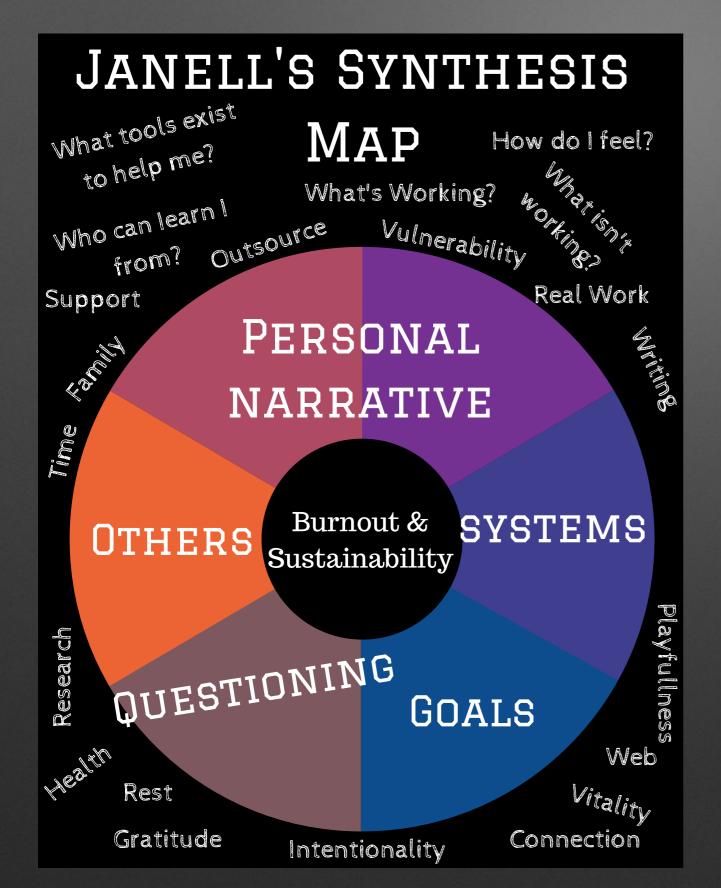
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# Why Critical & Creative Thinking? From Act to Occupation



Self Knowledge & Development Applied as Tools & Offerings for Others

# Living the Synthesis



Continued and Emerging:

Observations Development Refinement

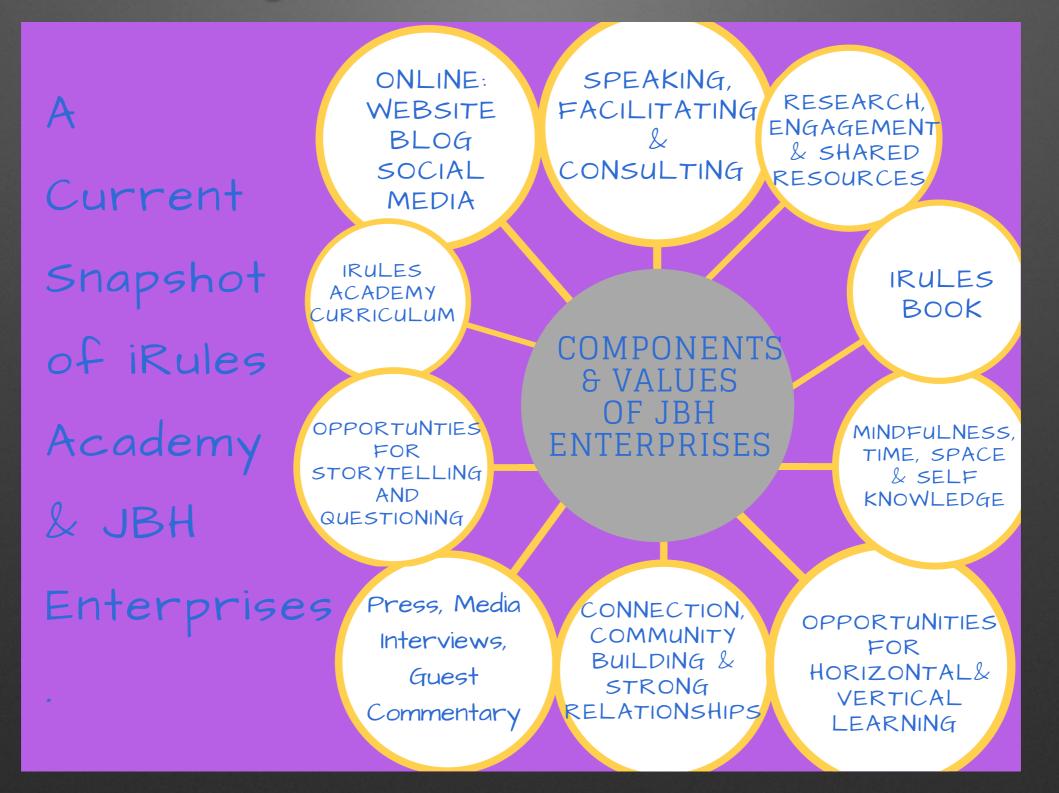




# Professional Considerations



# Professional Well-Being Components & Values



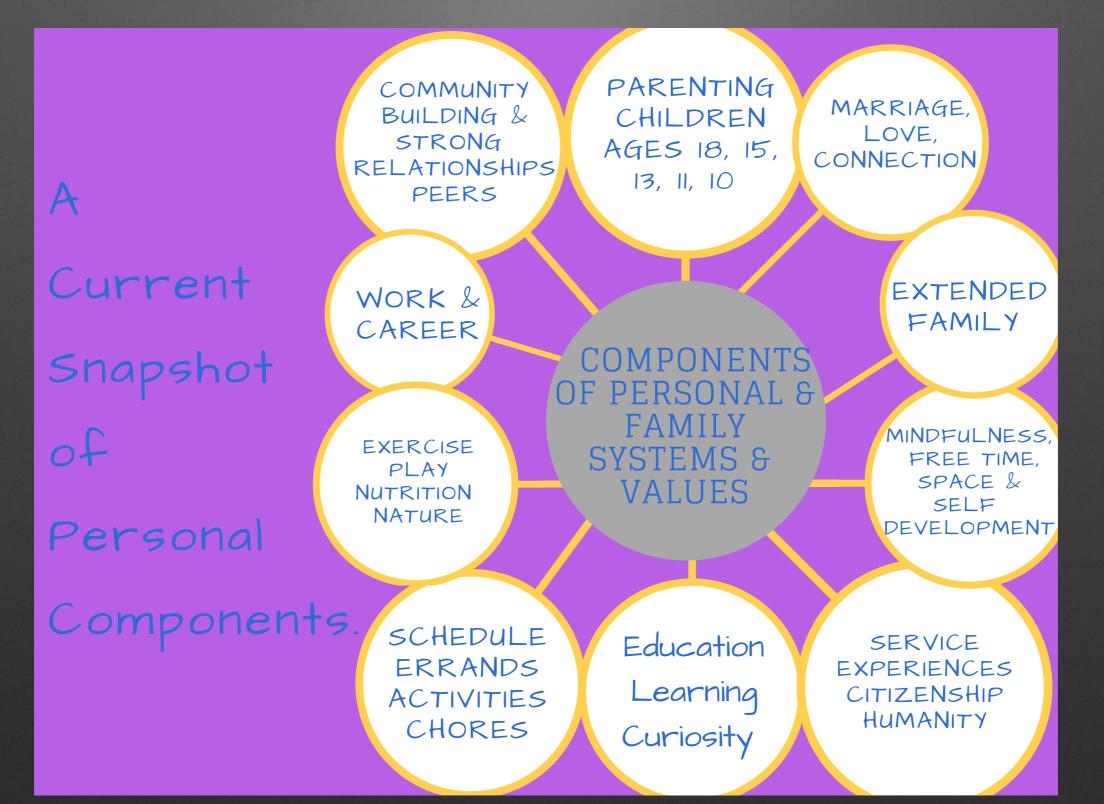
## Personal Considerations







# Personal Well-Being Components & Values



### Treating Burnout With Reflective Practice, Systems & Design



Symptoms of Burnout: extreme exhaustion, feeling down, and reduced performance.

"...coined in the 1970s by the American psychologist Herbert Freudenberger. He used it to describe the consequences of severe <u>stress</u> and high ideals experienced by people working in 'helping' professions...Nowadays, the term is not only used for these helping professions, or for the dark side of self-sacrifice. It seems it can affect anyone, from stressed-out careerists and celebrities to overworked employees and homemakers." (US National Library of Medicine)

## What Do We Mean By Well-Being?

#### How is life in Massachusetts?



#### How is life around you?



http://oecdregionalwellbeing.org

"The OECD (Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development) has identified as essential to well-being in terms of *material living conditions* (housing, income, jobs) and *quality of life* (community, education, environment, governance, health, life satisfaction, safety and worklife balance).

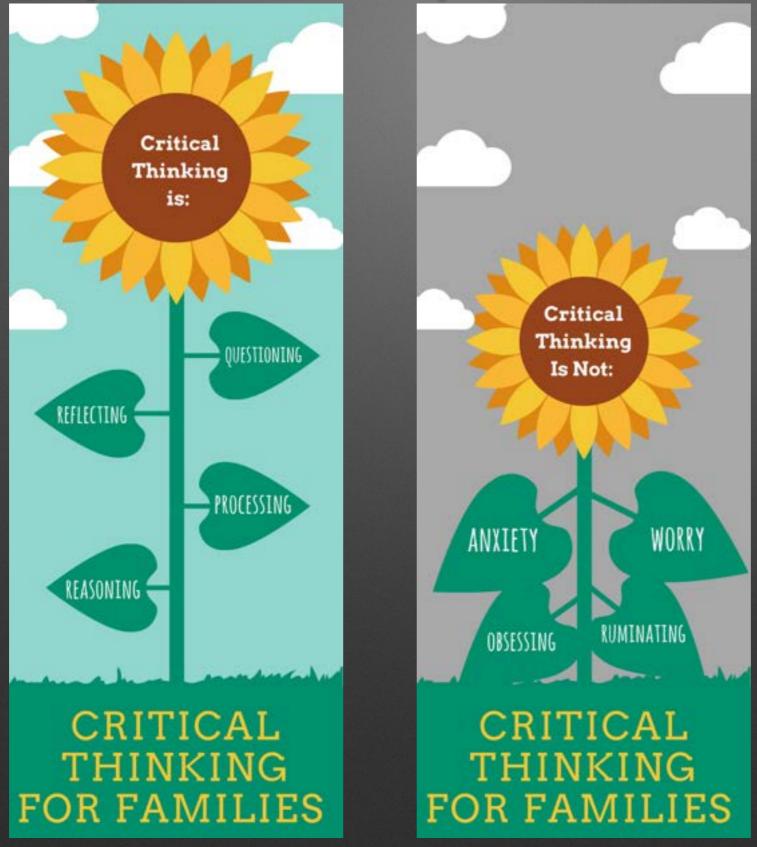
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### **Reflective Practice Cornerstones**



Reflective Practice: "Reflection is key to new insights emerging—Revelation. Creating Change (in one's concepts, practices, and products) involves Re-engagement with oneself and others as change agents." (Taylor)

### What Has Emerged? Reflective Practice for Well-Being Example: Sustainable Perspective for Families



# What Continued to Emerged? Life By Design

"A great design comes together in a way that can't be solved with equations and spreadsheets and data analysis. It has a look and feel all of its own - a beautiful aesthetic that speaks to you." Burnett & Evans



## In Response To:

### l feel overwhelmed.

I'm tired.

l'm not sure.

I don't know where to begin.

### Where Do I Begin Right Now?



### Goal: Break The Cycle of Exhaustion and Enhance Sustainability



#### I nat Contributed to this Synthesis:

**Critical Thinking:** Development of a Personal and Professional Reflective Practice.

**Creative Thinking**: Contributed to the introduction of systems and processes to support creativity.

**Dialogue Processes :** exploration of dialogue in presencing, listening, using the four fields in organizations, activism, relationships.

**Creative Realization of Ideas:** Rediscovering the value of passion projects - creativity with meaning - for personal growth, but also applicable professionally.

**Processes of Research and Engagement:** cycles of reflection, evaluation, feedback as critical components of work and development.

Action Research: how can I be involved and engage with others within my research?

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