UNDERSTANDING PERSONALITIES

Personality tests can be an effective tool to spark selfreflection and discussion about personal strengths and weaknesses. It's important to emphasize to youth that personality tests, especially free options online, are not an all-encompassing, or totally accurate tool to describe a person's entire existence. These tests are meant to be a fun way to talk about what each person brings to a team.

WHAT YOU'LL NEED

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- QR code printed out to link to your favorite online personality test.
- Ask youth to bring their smartphones.

"DO" THE ACTIVITY

Ask each youth to take a personality test online, we recommend this one: https://mycreativetype.com

"REFLECT" ON THE ACTIVITY

After everyone has their personality type, debrief with the following questions:

- What is your personality type?
- What is your best strength?
- What do you need to watch out for about your personality?
- How can you take your groups strengths and weaknesses into consideration when you're working together?
- Who should you try to work with? Find a person who you should work with and share your greatest strength.

"APPLY" - WHAT'S NEXT?

- What is the best personality type for our group? (Note, the answer is NONE! Everyone brings their own set of skills and characteristics that are a valuable part of this team)
- Would you rather have a team of people who all have the same personality type, or one with different types? Why?
- Knowing the personalities on our team, how can we work more effectively? Give specific examples.

