

Focus on Science, Technology, Engineering & Math (STEM)

New Tech Academy focuses on science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM). The problem-solving, projects and collaborations are the perfect foundation for higher education for STEM careers. Of course, this doesn't mean that New Tech is only for students interested in a STEM career. The robust use of technology, problem solving and teamwork found at New Tech are invaluable for every career. Students also have the privilege of being exposed to the Project Lead The Way curriculum focused on introducing the students to the different engineering fields. In these courses students are able to earn college credits.

Fort Wayne Community Schools has five comprehensive high schools focused on preparing students for college and career readiness. In addition to the core rigorous academic programs, each high school offers a specialized Program of Study to provide even more opportunity to prepare students for a successful future. Parents and students are encouraged to explore each of the Programs of Study and enroll in whichever one offers the career path best suited for the student. The Programs of Study are:

- South Side** International Baccalaureate
- Wayne Business**
- Wayne** New Tech Academy
- North Side** Global Studies/World Languages
- Northrop** Project Lead the Way Engineering
- Snider** Project Lead the Way Biomedical Sciences
- Anthis Career Center** Career Education Programs

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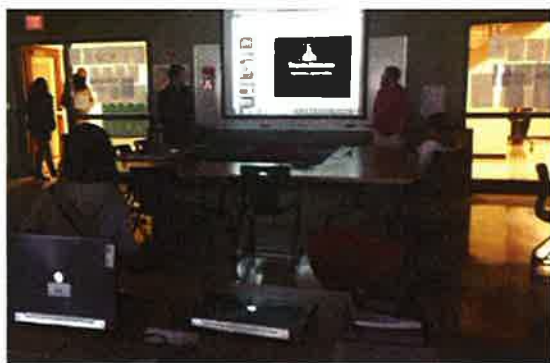


Project Based Learning



At New Tech, students are engaged in solving problems and making decisions rather than just memorizing facts for a test. Students are assigned projects modeled after real-world problems and challenges. As they progress through their project, students learn the same mathematical principles, language skills, and science they would in a regular classroom, but now it's through hands-on learning. Students apply what they learn, as they learn it--helping them gain a deeper understanding.

Wayne High School: New Tech students are still Generals and have the option of participating in all extra-curricular activities.



Collaborative Environment

The typical New Tech classroom is open and airy with glass walls and natural light. You'll find students clustered in groups around tables instead of desks staunchly organized in rows. You can practically see the synapses firing as they work face-to-face, huddled around computers, working and smiling.

Real World Advantage

To maintain a high level of relevance, New Tech instructors partner with area businesses when developing class projects. Students get to evaluate, research, troubleshoot and solve the same problems professionals work on. This kind of exposure to real world processes gives New Tech students a distinct advantage in choosing their career path.

Integrated Technology

Technology is intrinsic to the New Tech classroom. Every student is assigned a computer for the length of the school year; they have constant access to their grades and projects and are taught to use technology to accelerate their learning. Students use the Web for research, collaborate online with their classmates and share projects and ideas. Technology becomes a powerful tool for learning, not a crutch or shortcut.

Culture of Trust, Respect & Responsibility

Together, New Tech students create a culture of trust, respect and responsibility. At the beginning of each school year, a code of conduct is developed for themselves and their classmates. The result? A deep respect for each other and a sense of ownership for their learning environment. High expectations for themselves and for one another. A commitment to setting goals and attaining them in a timely manner.

“NTA is like a second family to me. It really helps you prepare for college, and I believe it's a special opportunity that every student should take!”

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