



Winfield City Schools



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What is STEM?

"STEM is an educational program developed to prepare primary and secondary students for college and graduate study in the fields of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM).
 In addition to subject-specific learning, STEM aims to foster inquiring minds, logical reasoning, and collaboration skills."

Rouse, M. (2013, April). STEM. Retrieved from www.whatis.techtarget.com

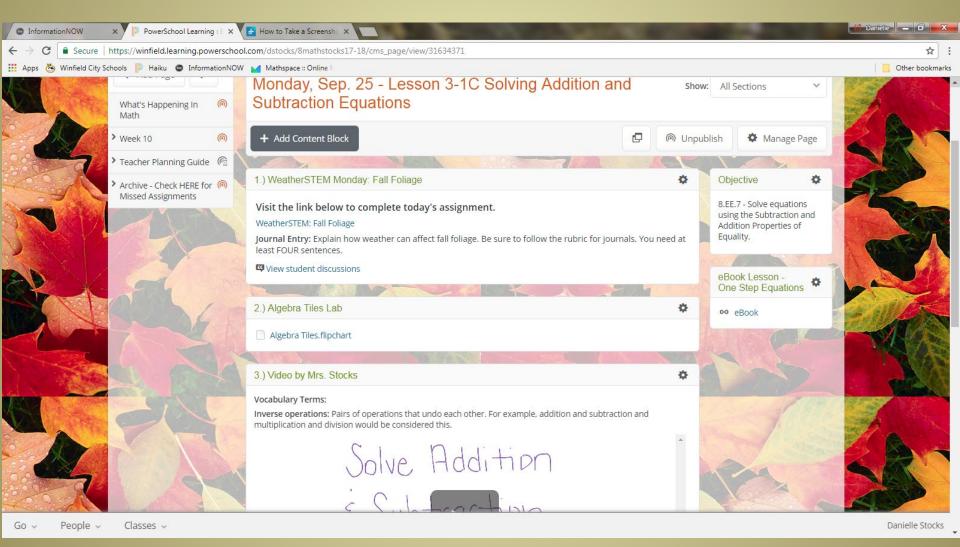
How Did We Get Here?

- School Visits
- 1:1
- 5th & 6th Pilot
- PowerSchool Learning (LMS)
- Self-reflection
- Obstacles

Obstacles

- **❖** Investment
- Fear of Change
- Controlled Chaos
- Curriculum Connectivity
 - Time Constraints
- Buy in of all departments

Learning Management System



Our Focus: Engineering Design Process



Steps:

- Ask
- Imagine
- Plan
- Create
- Improve



Opportunities for Our Students

Provide your students with.....

- Opportunities to create
- Opportunities to build
- Opportunities to show their creative side
- Opportunities to think outside the box
- Opportunities to work in groups
- Opportunities to problem-solve without your help

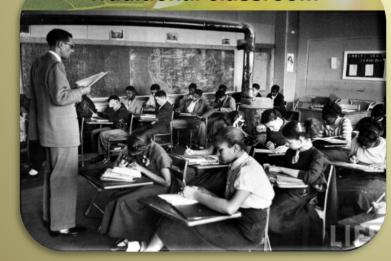
Benefits

- Creativity utilization
- Comprehensive college prep
 - Increased confidence
- *Better job chances/more income
 - More equality
 - Scholarship opportunities
 - College choices

My Role as a STEM Facilitator

Traditional Teacher	Facilitator Teacher
How I used to be	How I am now
Teacher does all the talking. All of the	Teacher guides a discussion with students.
students are facing the teacher and listening	Leader sits among the groups and joins in on
to him/her to gain information.	the discussion.
Provides or "spoon feeds" all of the	Guides the students during their learning.
information to the students. Stands in the	The students have to work for the
front of the classroom and lectures the entire	information. Typically they are presented a
time.	problem and have to come up with a
	solution.
Doesn't allow students to work in groups to	Provides the students with opportunities to
problem-solve.	solve problems in a group setting.

Traditional classroom





What Does A STEM Classroom Look

Like?







What We Have Gained













Things to Remember:

- This will not happen over night!!!
- You won't be building something every day. There are days where I teach information to students.
- However, overtime the way you think and act as a teacher will evolve.
- STEM projects don't have to be huge or involve a lot of materials.
- Start with a few small changes and go from there.

STEM Website Links:

http://wesstem.winfield.k12.al.us/

http://wmsstem.winfield.k12.al.us/

http://wchsstem.winfield.k12.al.us/