



NORTH KANSAS CITY HIGH SCHOOL

College & Career Pathways



Our Community Counts

The Pathways model creates an integrated partnership between students, teachers and the business community, providing relevant, equitable, personalized, and real-world learning experiences. Students have the opportunity to participate in internships, job shadowing, mentorships, off-campus programs, and more with leading business partners in our region.



Where Real World Meets the Classroom

North Kansas City High School encourages all students to step outside the box and push the limits with academics and extracurriculars throughout their high school experience. Our team of dedicated teachers and staff are excited to offer Northtown students a new model of learning through the College & Career Pathways initiative.

Pathways prepare all students for college, career and beyond with opportunities to earn industry certificates, network with business partners, earn college credit, and receive hands-on instruction within a focused industry sector.

A School Within A School

All incoming 9th graders at Northtown apply to participate in one of four "schools within a school" based on their area of interest:

School of Human Services

School of Business, Leadership and Entrepreneurship

School of Health and Wellness

School of Design, Innovation and Technology

Within each school, students explore a focus area of study, or "pathway," designed to provide students with a four-year course of study to prepare them and introduce them to a future college major and/or rewarding career post-graduation.



Home of the Hornets

The overall student experience at Northtown will continue to feature all of the existing comprehensive services and offerings, including the regionally recognized International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme, individualized academic counseling, advanced placement classes, and student support services. In addition to their individual pathway focus, students are encouraged to participate in a wide variety of offerings to enhance their high school experience, including:

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| ■ Athletics | ■ Vocal Music | ■ IB Diploma Programme |
| ■ Orchestra | ■ A+ Program | ■ IB Career-related Programme |
| ■ AVID | ■ Band | ■ Speech & Debate |
| ■ Clubs & Organizations | ■ Theater | ■ Journalism |

Something For Everyone at North Kansas City High School

Taken in concert with core 9–12 grade curriculum, every student will join the “school within a school” and pathway of their choice. With a focus on college and career readiness, all of our schools and pathways provide hands-on learning opportunities and support from leading industry partners in our community.



School of Human Services

RELATED INDUSTRY CAREERS:

Teacher, Police Officer,
Psychologist, Social Worker,
Attorney, Public Administration,
Environmental Scientist

Students in the School of Human Services are empathetic problem solvers that collaborate and build the skillset needed to educate effectively for the betterment of humanity.

Public Service Pathway – step into the fascinating world of communication and interaction as you learn how we think, act and live through the study of concepts such as social and cultural anthropology.

Environmental Science & Sustainability Pathway – understand the importance of advocating for a healthy and sustainable community as you study renewable energy, geography and more.

School of Business, Leadership and Entrepreneurship

RELATED INDUSTRY CAREERS:

Entrepreneur, Sales Manager,
Marketing Specialist, Financial
Advisor, Accountant, Small
Business Owner

Students in the School of Business, Leadership and Entrepreneurship gain marketable skills through relevant, authentic projects that are based on the foundation of business partnerships with the community. Students will have the opportunity to lead, plan, promote, and sell products through job shadows, internships, and client-based projects.

Marketing and Communications Pathway – master the basics of marketing and operations and gain exposure to opportunities in the world of communications and business.

Management and Finance Pathway – learn how to create and use budgets, how to interpret financial data and make sound business decisions to create a financially healthy business.

School of Health and Wellness

RELATED INDUSTRY CAREERS:

Registered Nurse, Physician &
Surgeon, Licensed Practical &
Vocational Nurse, Pharmacist,
Physical Therapist, Veterinarian

The School of Health and Wellness provides students with the academic foundation and technical background to prepare them to contribute to the physical, mental and emotional health of our communities at the local and global levels.

Health Services Pathway – experience all aspects of overseeing healthcare facilities and the services they provide as you prepare to improve the lives of patients in your community.

Wellness Pathway – learn how to help patients live longer, healthier and happier lives as you study best practices for wellness, fitness, nutrition and overall healthy living.

School of Design, Innovation and Technology

RELATED INDUSTRY CAREERS:

Engineer (Mechanical, Electrical,
Civil), Electrician, Plumber,
Construction Project Manager,
Graphic Designer

In collaboration with local and global organizations, businesses, parents, and teachers, students in the School of Design, Innovation and Technology use problem solving skills and creativity to innovate products that elevate our community and create real world solutions.

Technology Pathway – prepare for a future in the digital frontier as you learn the fundamentals of software, hardware, and how to apply emerging practices to solve real world data security problems.

Construction & Engineering Pathway – begin the blueprint to your future career as you apply scientific, mathematical, and management principles to the planning, design and building of facilities and structures.

Creative Design Pathway – unleash your individual creativity and expression as you learn how to engage in the creative process as you invent, solve and reimagine the visuals of our future.

Visit nkschools.org/pathways to learn more.

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