

NKC SCHOOLS STUDENTS BENEFIT FROM GOOGLE

Partnership Funds STEAM Lab

Google's 1-billion-dollar investment in a new Northland data center brings a new partnership with North Kansas City Schools. With the tech giant expanding its presence in the Midwest the collaboration with NKC Schools will expand innovative learning opportunities for students. Google's commitment of more than \$100,000 dollars allows NKC Schools to develop the creation of a STEAM Lab and alternate learning program for the district.

According to Google, more than 65% of young people today will work in jobs that don't yet exist. NKC Schools remains dedicated to offering cutting edge classes for all students, particularly for those who need a setting outside the traditional classroom. To assist in the development of problem-solving skills and digital competencies required to prepare for this future, Google is helping support the technology which prepares high school students to tackle the future's biggest challenges across a variety of disciplines.

The re-imagined Alternative Ed program includes the addition of an immersive STEAM Lab to include exposure to Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Mathematics. The STEAM Lab will offer the Google Career Certification Lab, a digital media studio, an Innovation Fab Lab, Virtual and Augmented Reality Career Exploration Labs, and more! The opportunity to earn a Google Career Certification will provide students a way to earn industry-recognized credentials in high-demand fields.

North Kansas City Schools Superintendent Dr. Rochel Daniels says collaborating with Google will offer another resource to further technical education for students. "With their generous contribution, North Kansas City Schools will provide holistic support with real-world learning opportunities that illuminate new possibilities, resiliency services for students and families, and comprehensive post-secondary planning to ensure success beyond our walls. We are grateful for this opportunity and look forward to a continued relationship with Google."

As relentless champions for all students, the STEAM Lab and alternative learning program ensure a first class education for NKC Schools all students.