

Education Specifications

The Power of Innovative Schools

An environment where every student succeeds

Educational institutions continue to learn more and more about what makes students successful. Creative, active, and innovative models require teaching and learning spaces beyond the traditional model. To support and empower innovative schools, the needs of the District are assessed as a whole. From there, a portfolio of offerings is developed and considers what is available for all students, at all grade levels. Innovation is not about trying new things just because; innovation is matching students with learning environments that play to their passions and interests. And when we succeed, students are more engaged; when students are more engaged, learning is deeper. Learning includes each of five modes: to think, to create, to discover, to impart, and to exchange. Equally important, students are developing the way in which they relate to self, others, and the world.

By exercising choice, personalizing space and finding their own particular point of view, students develop their relationship to self. They develop their relationship with others by learning alongside peers and other children, both younger and older, as well as adults of all ages and backgrounds. By learning with and being in nature, the neighborhood, and building, students develop their relationship to world.

