



Northview Primary

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Stakeholder Voices

"We have a STEM advisory council comprised of teachers, admin from other schools, personnel from central office, parents, and representatives of businesses that help us throughout the school year. We meet virtually once a month and review previous goals, present evidence of current goals, and establish new goals for the upcoming month."

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STEM Mindset

"We embed STEM in our day-to-day curriculum. We also have monthly STEM challenges, a STEM room, and an incredible STEM teacher that is built into the special area rotation. We have clear plans for succession if any member moves out of their position and almost every teacher is part of the STEM team in some capacity such as the STEM literacy team, the State Design Challenge, the Executive STEM Team, etc."

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PBL Spotlight

"Our STEM executive committee decided to go with the food truck PBL this year. We had a teacher do it a few years back and it went well, so we decided to take it school wide. The teachers paired classrooms together such as a Kindergarten class working with a 3rd grade class and a 1st grade class working with a 2nd grade class. The peer effect was amazing to watch as leaders emerged. The students had to research food trucks, pick a theme, create a menu, design and build a truck, and create a commercial to sell their food for the food truck. It was a great connection of state standards and soft skills that the students will remember for ages. We learned a lot from our first attempt and will modify for next year!"

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Futurecasting

"We are doing a STEM reading walk around our school next year, our teachers are writing a book juxtaposing STEM with Appalachia."

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Teacher Moral

"Our teachers have embraced learning new pedagogy and technology, learning from failure, and they have created a contagious excitement throughout our building. STEM Designation has allowed for teachers to become leaders and encourage others across the state in STEM best practice as well as to experiment and do things that have never been done. Our staff is recognized by the local paper, our school board in meetings, and they encourage each other. I would never want to see this staff go back to business as usual."

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Celebrations

"From a TCAP perspective, we perennially have the best Science scores in the county... and it's not even close. This year's raw TCAP data showed 67% proficiency in Science for TCAP. In math, we have a county wide multiplication challenge that we have won twice and came in second once. All of our scores are above the state and district."

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