

## Linked Learning Pathway Team Commitments

### Purpose

Linked Learning is an approach to education that has been proven to increase student results in the areas of academic success and improved equity as well as college and career readiness. The research shows that Linked Learning delivers better outcomes for students when the four core principles are strongly implemented.

The four core principles of **Linked Learning Pathways** are: **rigorous academics** that prepare students for success in college as well as apprenticeships and other post-secondary programs and employment; **demanding technical courses** through a cluster of classes emphasizing practical application; **work-based learning** in real-world workplaces, job shadowing, and internships; and **personalized student supports** services including counseling and supplemental instruction to help students master rigorous academic, professional and technical skills.

### Expectations of a Pathway

- Incorporate pathway theme into the content standards of each course
- Maintain equitable access to all students
- Utilize cohort scheduling to maximize student outcomes
- Offer industry-recognized certifications that lead to entry-level employability
- Incorporate dual enrollment to enhance student preparedness for college and career options

### Focus Commitments for 2018/19

- Establish a consistent meeting time and structure for pathway teams.
- Make intentional daily connections to the pathway theme in the classroom.

### Interdisciplinary Team Member Commitments

Common Commitments:	Purpose and Action:
Engage in consistent collaboration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Use a variety of student data, for purposeful planning, with regard to curriculum and student supports</li> <li>• Share responsibility of pathway outcomes within the pathway teacher team</li> <li>• Give and receive feedback for improvement of instructional practice</li> <li>• Regularly use a variety of formative and summative interdisciplinary assessments</li> </ul>
Integrate daily connections to industry theme	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Implement two interdisciplinary projects per school year</li> <li>• Build authentic connections across curriculum and student experiences</li> </ul>
Involve industry partners	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Build authentic connections across curriculum and student experiences</li> <li>• Support pathway outcomes</li> </ul>
Understand and support the pathway <i>Program of Study</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Deepen knowledge of industry theme</li> <li>• Promote student persistence</li> <li>• Collectively own student outcomes</li> </ul>