

What's New!

LAKELAND'S NEW TECH PROJECT GETS THUMBS UP!

This morning the joint session of our county council and commissioners met and voted 8 out of 10 to give us the full 1.7 million for our New Tech conversion.. 1 million now for SY 2010-11 and \$700,000 in a year for 2011-12.

Lakeland is elated that they believe our project deserves funding. Beginning in August 2009, we brought them a comprehensive plan to better educate the future LaGrange workforce by teaching in a one-to-one, technology-rich environment. The elected officials took untold hours of their own time to learn about our new school concept. Today they said several nice things about our "passionate staff, students, and leadership". They support the concept and the need for the 21st century skills training in LaGrange.

We are thrilled to partner with the county to train a diverse workforce in LaGrange county as part of their economic recovery efforts. Their generous grant for technology and infrastructure will help us build a New Tech digital highway into the future for our county graduates.

The LaGrange community is stepping up to make sure its graduates are prepared for the jobs that will be available to them so they may have diverse, medium and high-wage jobs in the future. A hearty "Thank You" goes out to all those involved in making this dream a reality. We had help from students, staff, community members, board members, and administrators. This was a very long process and everyone put much research and time into the multiple presentations and today's vote.

We will continue to report back to you and the community regarding our growth. We want to be transparent to our public as we journey to improve education at Lakeland High School. Once the renovations are complete, please feel free to tour our New Tech facility. Starting in December and January there will be public overview meetings, and intense parent meetings for those students who will be involved in the New Tech school next year.

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