



**Program Description:**

Offered to 7th and 8th grade students, Project i is an alternative option for students to meet all required state standards through a variety of learning experiences in their core area classes (science, social studies, math, and language arts) classes. The unique environment allows for the fostering of student communication, self advocacy, technology, and life skills. Project i combines 21st century learning as a personalized approach to help students succeed in high school and beyond.

**Student Learning Experiences in Project i**

Shown below are some key ideas/concepts behind the different ways students learn, grow, and succeed in Project i.

Independent Projects:	Teacher-led Seminars:	Community Clubs:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Involve student choice and interest to drive project</li> <li>● Link to standards</li> <li>● Differ from student to student and year to year</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Link to standards</li> <li>● Encourage student choice and collaboration</li> <li>● Focus on critical content/skills within a core area</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Encourage community and citizenship skills</li> <li>● Promote communication and collaboration</li> <li>● Emphasize service learning</li> </ul>

**Benefits of Project i**

- Cohort-style environment
  - Cross grade level collaboration between 7th and 8th grade students
  - Students have the same team of teachers for two years, which allows for a greater sense of community and a deeper understanding of students' strengths
- Flexible Pace
  - Independent work time
  - Students track and communicate their tasks
  - ALEKS math (online) is used to personalize pacing for students
- Voice and choice in Learning
  - Interdisciplinary approaches to learning
  - Happens in variety of ways
    - What they learn and how to show it
    - Tools used to learn it
    - When they learn it
- Collaboration
  - Student/student
  - Student/advisor
  - Student/community
- Space is Movable and Flexible
  - Variety of work spaces