White Paper

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1 Background

During the 2012-2013 academic year, I worked closely with Technology / Engineering Teacher Rich Monagle and Interim Assistant Superintendent Dick Robbat to develop a comprehensive plan for education involving science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) in the Winchester public schools, grades K-12.



1.1 Technology

The word 'technology' is fraught. It comes from the Greek word $\tau \acute{\epsilon} \chi \eta \nu$, meaning both art and craft, and the Greek suffix $\lambda o \gamma \acute{\iota} \alpha$, meaning $system\ of$ — hence the English definition: the practical application of knowledge, or a capability so enabled, or a specialized aspect of it.

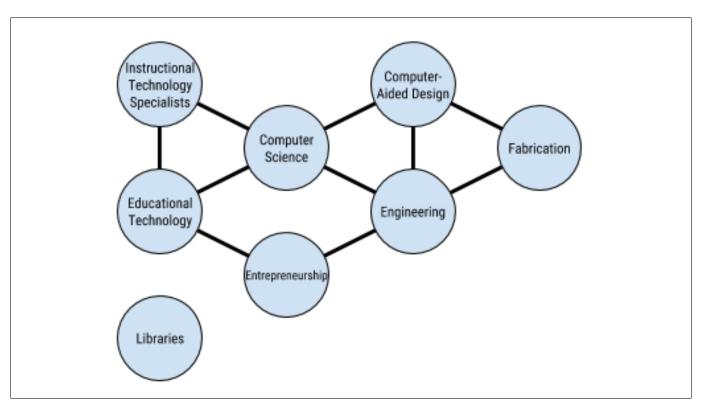


Figure 1: Career & Technology Education Organization

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Figure 2: Career & Technology Education Course Sequences

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