



Understanding Washington Township's “Flipped Classrooms”



Like many school districts across the country, the Washington Township Public Schools have integrated the concept of “Flipped Classrooms” throughout grades 6-12.

A flipped classroom is a shift in philosophy that moves direct instruction from a group space to an individual learning space. In this teaching model, students have some element of control over the time, space, path and pace of their individual learning, recognizing that different students learn differently. New technology allows teachers, who once stood at the front of a classroom and delivered instruction to students, to deliver instruction and concepts directly to the students’ fingertips.

In this model, teachers can better differentiate their instruction to smaller groups of students who may need extra practice or enrichment. In this model, more class time can be dedicated to collaboration and problem-solving.

The goal of the flipped classroom is to better prepare students to evolve into self-directed learners who can master 21st century skills, allowing students to effectively communicate, create, collaborate and critically think as they venture into college and careers.

