



Grenada School District's Learning Quilt 21st Century Learning Centers



*Metalworking- trivets,
crosses*



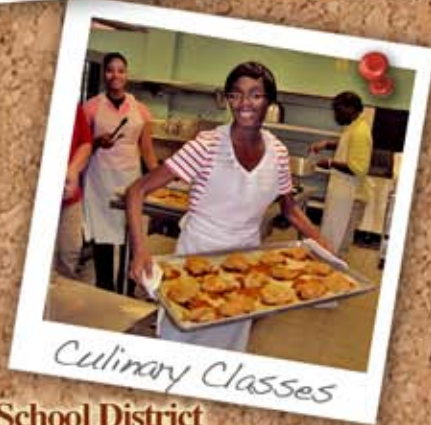
Ceramics



Tutoring

Class Options

- Podcasting/Music Production
- Marketing/Photoshop
- Pottery/Ceramics
- Building Trades
- Automotive/Welding
- Culinary Arts
- Tutoring



Culinary Classes



Building Trades



*Photoshop/
Digital Photography*



*Podcasting- copy,
voiceovers, music*

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<http://www.gsd.k12.ms.us/21st.html>
<http://www.grenadapodcasting.com>

The 21st Century Grant, administered by the Mississippi Department of Education, was established by Congress as Title IV, Part B of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, as amended by the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001. The purpose of the 21st CCLC Program is to create community learning centers that provide academic enrichment opportunities for children and their families.

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*GSD Awarded 21st Century Grant

In November 2007, Grenada School District was awarded a 21st Century Grant entitled "The Learning Quilt" to implement after school programs to address the dropout problem at Grenada High School. This award weaves pieces of academics, workplace relevance, creativity, and technology skills together to create an environment to motivate students to stay in school. "We are very excited about the opportunity to provide after school classes and a summer program that is unlike anything that has ever been offered in the Grenada School District," says Lynne Russell, Project Director. "If we expect students to be motivated to stay in school and to be prepared for today's workforce, then changes must be made that address those issues."

*Business Model to be Used

Activities will be centered upon the concept of a student "company" and will merge academic core objectives into real-life career classes. This organization of skills will enhance the connections between school and work. Building and metal trade classes will create and produce the products, photoshop/marketing classes will initiate strategies for selling the products, and the Pod Casting classes will advertise the products. Instructor for the sales and marketing class, Mable Lee states, "These classes are designed to make learning more relevant for our students. Academic objectives will be infused into a workplace environment to enable students to connect the importance of education to applications on the job. In our sales/marketing classes, students will not only learn math concepts, but they will apply these concepts to actually market a product."



Woodworking-
Children's chairs



Culinary Classes

Tutoring Classes/Parent Workshops

In addition to offering career oriented classes, student tutoring, teacher training, as well as parent workshops, are being implemented to enhance the connections between school and work. Parenting classes/workshops provide information and instruction for the participant's family members in parenting and technology skills. Computers with internet access are available to parents to give them an opportunity to help their child with school related needs such as researching projects and preparing college applications. After school tutoring is being offered in small group settings for students requiring additional academic assistance.



Podcasting studio-
Recording voiceovers

