



Important Need-to-Knows for Parents 2017-18



Welcome to the NTI Family! It takes everyone working together to make a great school year and educational experience for your child. Please contact your child’s teacher(s) with any academic concerns, and please contact the office with other concerns. We are glad to have you as part of the NTI family!!

How Things Work at NTI

School starts @ 7:40am, dismisses @ 2:10pm

Four 90-minute periods each day on an 8-block schedule (ODD Days and EVEN Days)

ODD Day

1st period

3rd period (Enrichment/Advisory)

5th period

7th period

A or B Lunch before 5th or 7th period

EVEN Day

2nd period

4th period

6th period

8th period

A or B Lunch before 6th or 8th period

Physical Education: students complete a log of activity totaling 70 hours, plus related journals, for each of their three PE credits



Attendance

Attendance at school is important - AND mandatory! Please call school at **(812) 435-0967** when students are ill or absent for any reason – it helps us keep accurate attendance. A call from the parent/guardian will count as an absence; there must be a medical/legal/dental excuse to count as an excused absence. High school students are expected to attend school regularly to derive maximum benefits from the instructional program. All absences will contribute toward a ten-day absence maximum before pre-court proceedings, with the exception of the following when accompanied by acceptable documentation: personal injury or illness documented by doctor or other health professional’s statement, death in immediate family, field trips, religious holiday, election worker, or page in the Indiana Legislature.

School Start and Dismissal

We encourage all students to be at school, on time, and ready to learn by 7:35am. Class starts at 7:40am. School dismisses at 2:10pm. We strive **for on-time behavior** from every student! At dismissal, please refer to the **Dismissal Procedures** (at end of this document) if you plan to pick up your child.

Nurse Visits

Students who feel ill should ask for a pass to the nurse before calling home. The nurse will assess the student and will determine if the student needs to go home. If the student needs to go home, the nurse will call the parent/guardian. It is difficult to maintain proper attendance when students call/text for parent to them pick up. Students who leave without following the policy outlined above will have an unexcused absence.

Lockers

NTI students can carry backpacks at school since we don’t have lockers. Students can store coats and other belongings in the closet in the office. Students new to NTI will receive a backpack with padded laptop compartment on the first day of school.

Deliveries to Students

Unfortunately, we cannot accommodate or accept deliveries of flowers, balloons, cookie bouquets, etc. since there is nowhere to store them (i.e. lockers). Also, we cannot accept deliveries of food from outside sources (i.e. fast food) for

lunch as it is disruptive to the school environment.

Class Fees/Textbooks

New Tech is mostly textbook-free, but class fees allow teachers to purchase necessary supplies and other needs in the classroom. There is a laptop fee per semester, and laptop insurance is available. Students who receive free/reduced lunch will still be required to pay class fees. Please help us by paying class fees promptly once you receive a bill from the EVSC. You will receive an invoice at the end of September.

Breakfast

Students may eat breakfast in our cafeteria at the price listed on the NTI website. Students have until 7:38am to eat in the cafeteria, at which time they will need to move on to class.

Lunch: Procedure and Paying for Meals

Students may eat lunch in our cafeteria at the price listed on the NTI website. Students also may bring their lunch. Parents/guardians have an easy, convenient, and secure online option to check school meal balance (no charge), check menus (no charge), sign up for lunch account low balance email reminders (no charge), and deposit money into your child's account via VISA or MasterCard (\$2.50 charge per transaction). Students may also bring a check to the cafeteria. To register, visit www.ezschoollpay.com and enter your child's seven-digit ID number and New Tech's zip code (47711). A form for Free/Reduced Lunch eligibility will come home at the beginning of the school year. If you have questions about this process, call the school OR EVSC Food and Nutrition Office: (812) 435-8262.

Emergency Contact Form

Please return the emergency contact form soon after school starts, and please update them as needed. This information helps the office contact you in case of an emergency or illness.

Laptops/Cases

All NTI students will receive a laptop the first day of school. This laptop is the "textbook" for all classes, and as such students must care for the laptop so it is not damaged. We ask students carry their laptop in a backpack with padding to prevent damage. At this time EVSC does not have a Bring Your Own Device policy, and as such students are expected to use the EVSC-issued laptop. Students should label their laptop chargers, and should not loan out chargers to others.

Physical Exams

State law requires each freshman to have a physical exam prior to entering 9th grade. Please return physical exam form to the office once it is complete.

ECHO Grade System

NTI uses **ECHO** as the grade notification system. Parents/Guardians can log onto ECHO to check grades, homework and coursework. Please follow directions on the ECHO handout, and please call school with questions. NTI parents will also have RDS Access to check attendance, transcript and graduation plan.

Bus Transportation

EVSC provides bus transportation from the five EVSC high schools to NTI in the morning, and from NTI to the neighborhood district high school and then to the student's home address in the afternoon. Students who ride the bus should receive information from EVSC Bus Transportation in late July. Please contact (812) 435-1287 for more information. Students can ride a bus from home to their EVSC District school, then a bus from that school to NTI; this information will go home via post card in late July. Buses *between NTI and EVSC High Schools: Bosse (56 & 114), Central (53 or 135), Harrison (47 or 78), North (21 or 87), Reitz (2 or 99).*

NTI Counselor and College Connection Coach

We are pleased to have Mrs. Ann Gomoll as our full-time school counselor at NTI. Her role is to assist students with college and career planning – including college transcripts/applications/financial aid as well as social and emotional needs. Mr. Lemarceo Shemwell is our College Connection Coach from Ivy Tech, and he can provide valuable resources for college admissions, financial aid, career exploration and more.

Behavior

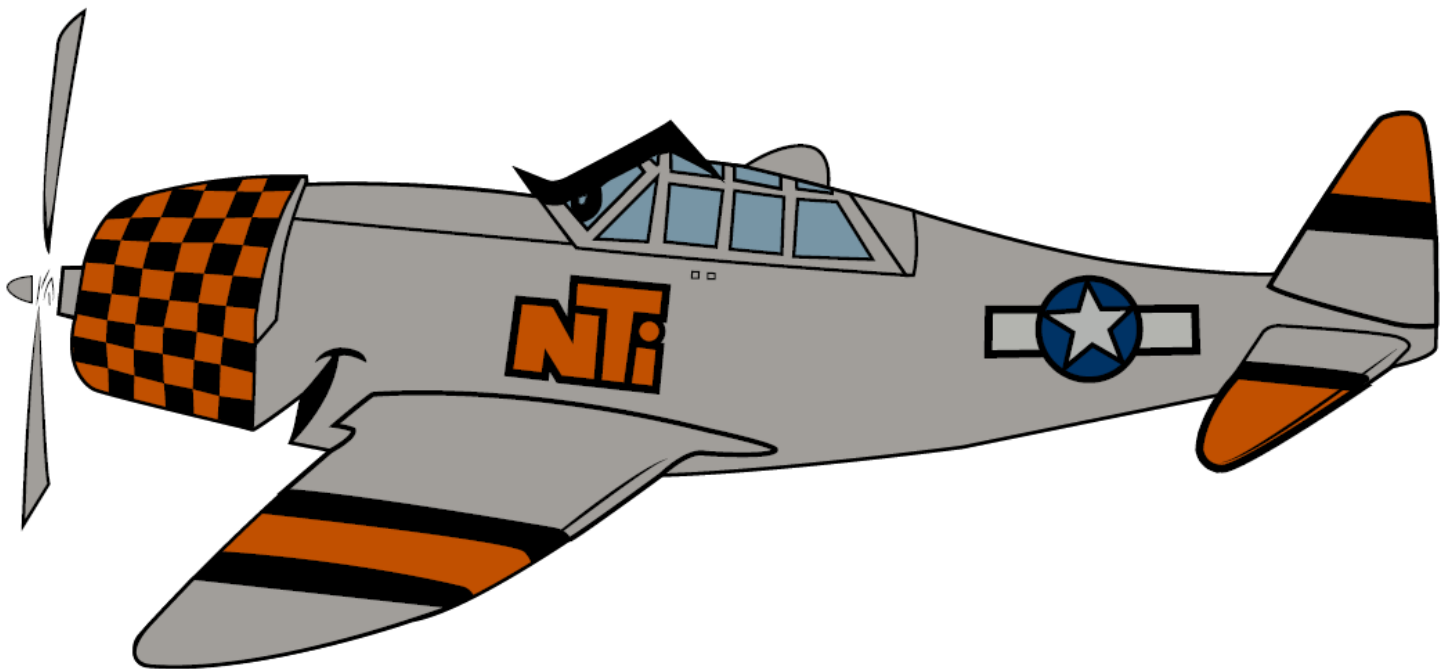
NTI has TRUST, RESPECT, and RESPONSIBILITY at the core of everything we do, as part of our Positive Behavior Intervention and Support (PBIS). Students can earn commendations and TRR cards for behavior above and beyond expectations, which gives them certain acknowledgements and/or privileges. Students can receive low-level referrals for failure to follow behavior expectations, and repeated offenses can lead to restricted privileges (cell phone, earbuds, dance privileges) or further consequences.

Cell Phones

We ask that our students use only their school-issued technology (laptop) during class. In order for students to be engaged fully in their education, students may not have cell phones out in class. NTI Staff may ask students to observe “Tech-Free” or “Courtesy Mode” during which students should put away laptops. If students do not comply, NTI staff may hold the device and secure it in the main office. Repeated offenses may require a parent/guardian to pick up the device.

Dress Code

Please see separate dress code handout.



New Tech Institute – Faculty and Staff 2017-18

Mr. Chris Gibson, Principal	christopher.gibson@evsck12.com	(812) 435-8805
Mrs. Ann Gomoll, Counselor	ann.gomoll@evsck12.com	(812) 435-0967
Mrs. Diane Kraft, Secretary	diane.kraft@evsck12.com	(812) 435-0967
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Mrs. Cheryl Gordon, School Nurse (shared with SICTC)	cheryl.gordon@evsck12.com	(812) 435-8438
Mr. Jason Hale, Technology Support (shared with SICTC)	jasond.hale@evsck12.com	(812) 435-0967
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Mrs. Brooke Wheeler, Art and Health	brooke.wheeler@evsck12.com	Room 10

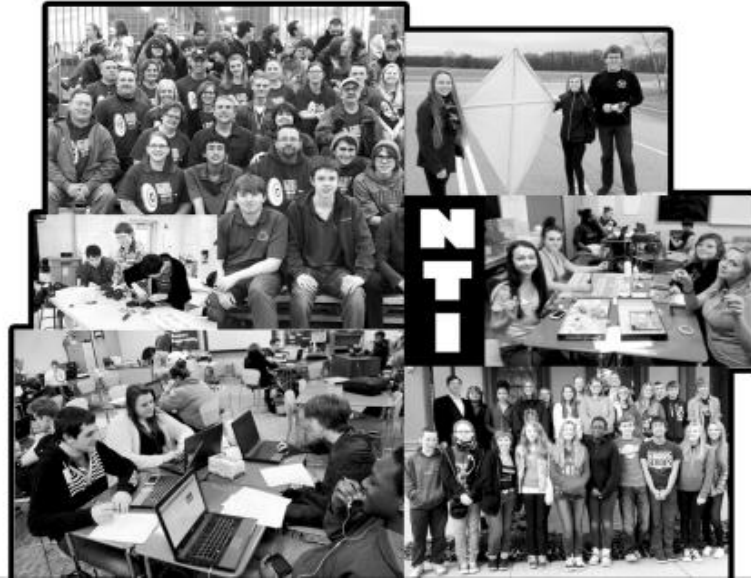
New Tech Institute – Extra-Curricular Sponsors 2017-18 (subject to change)

<u>Archery</u>	Mr. Havener & Mr. Carter
<u>Student Council</u>	Mrs. Bowden
<u>Spanish Club</u>	Mr. Miner
<u>National Honor Society</u>	Mrs. Dill/Ms. Alcorn
<u>Yearbook</u>	
<u>Book Club</u>	Mrs. Dill

Students can start a new club with the sponsorship of a teacher.

Note: NTI students may participate in athletics at their EVSC district high school. Contact the Athletic Office at the district high school for more information.

EVSC NEW TECH INSTITUTE



- New Tech Institute is a member of the New Tech Network of more than 180 schools.
- NTI is STEM-Certified by the Indiana Department of Education and a Demonstration Site in the New Tech Network.
- Our mission: Providing students with Project-Based Learning and Leadership Opportunities in an atmosphere of Trust, Respect and Responsibility.
- We focus on STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) and Entrepreneurial Leadership.
- Our graduates in the Class of 2014 had a 97% graduation rate, with \$1.2 million in scholarship offers.
- We teach English, Math, Science, Social Studies, Engineering, Fine Arts, Spanish, and electives – all of which follow Indiana Academic Standards.
- We offer Core 40 and Honors Diplomas to students in grades 9-12.
- Our project-based focus helps build knowledge and thinking while also building communication and presentation skills in a way that is relevant to real-world thinking.
- Students work collaboratively on group projects, and then present their discoveries using relevant technology.
- Four of our fifteen teachers have earned New Tech Network Certified Teacher status, and three teachers are certified as New Tech trainers.
- NTI and Company is our parent group, which is a 501 (c) 3 organization that supports the school in many ways.
- Our Archery Team placed 10th in the 2017 Indiana State Archery Tournament.
- In addition to Archery and Theater, we offer: Book Club, Yearbook, Student Council, and more.
- NTI earned a US News and World Report Best High Schools Bronze Rating for 2015.



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NTI Drop-off and Dismissal Procedure

Drop-off

School starts at 7:40am. Parents/guardians can drop off students at either the NTI or SICTC entrances. Due to traffic, it is best to make sure drop-off happens by 7:35am. There are no restrictions on turns around the building in the morning.

Dismissal

School dismisses at 2:10pm. Parents/guardians can park in the NTI parking lot in areas designated VISITOR to wait for students to come to the car. Please note the following restrictions on turns: all vehicles need to exit the east end of the NTI parking lot and then at the first stop sign it is **right turn only**. Then at the next stop sign, it is **left turn only** toward Maxx Road. This procedure helps traffic flow and avoids congestion from NTI students, SICTC students, and buses. It also funnels traffic to a stoplight for the safety of students and families.





Bringing Learning to Life

NTI Dress Guidelines 2017-18 School Year

New Tech Institute promotes a professional environment of trust, respect, and responsibility, and we encourage students to dress accordingly.

EVSC Dress for Success Policy, accessible at:

<http://district.evscschools.com/cms/One.aspx?portalId=74772&pageId=1097875>

Pants

Type: uniform style, khaki, dress or cargo

Colors: solid navy, black, tan, brown

Shorts/Capris

Type: uniform style, khaki, dress or cargo, knee length

Colors: solid navy, black, tan, brown

Skirts

Type: uniform style, khaki, dress, or cargo, knee length

Colors: solid navy, black, tan, brown

Shirts

Type: collared button down or polo shirt, long or short sleeves; a solid color long sleeve shirt may be worn under the polo

Colors: any solid, stripe, or plaid shirt. Any school issued apparel is acceptable.

Logo: small manufacturer's logos are acceptable school logos are permitted

Cool-Weather Items

Type: hoodless sweaters or hoodless/crewneck sweatshirts, vest, zip up fleece, softshell or cardigan worn with a collared button down or polo shirt underneath

Colors: any solid color (any school issued apparel is acceptable)

Logo: small manufacturer's logos are acceptable; school logos are permitted

Belt

Recommended

Footwear

Any footwear except flip-flops, athletic slides, or house shoes/slippers

Spirit wear

May be worn at the principal's discretion



2017-18 Important Dates for New Tech



Event	Date	Time	Location
Ice Cream Social for Students new to NTI	Monday August 7, 2017	5:30pm	NTI
FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL!	Wednesday August 9, 2017	7:40am	NTI
School Pictures	Thursday August 31, 2017	Morning	NTI
Celebrate NTI	Thursday August 31, 2017	10:20am	Assembly Hall
NTI Open House & Senior Parent Night	Thursday August 31, 2017	6:00pm	Assembly Hall, NTI
Labor Day – No School	Monday September 4, 2017		
Celebrate NTI	Friday September 29, 2017	10:20am	Assembly Hall
Fall Break	Friday October 6 – Tuesday October 10, 2017		
EVSC Advanced Learner Fair	Wednesday October 11, 2017	6:00pm	Assembly Hall
NTI STEM Fest & 5K	Saturday October 14, 2017	All Day	Assembly Hall, NTI
Class of 2022 Prospective Student Open House	Thursday October 26, 2017	6:30pm	Assembly Hall, NTI
Celebrate NTI	Friday November 3, 2017	10:20am	Assembly Hall
Veterans Day – No School	Friday November 10, 2017		
Class of 2022 Prospective Student Open House	Tuesday November 14, 2017	6:30pm	Assembly Hall
Thanksgiving Day – No School	Wednesday November 22, 2017 – Friday November 24, 2017		
Celebrate NTI	Friday December 1, 2017	10:20am	Assembly Hall
Winter Break for Students	Thursday December 21, 2017 – Tuesday January 2, 2018		
Teacher Workday	Tuesday January 2, 2018	All Day	NTI
Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Day – No School	Monday January 15, 2018		
NTI Science Fair	Tuesday January 23, 2018 - Thursday January 25, 2018	All Day	Assembly Hall
Celebrate NTI	Friday January 26, 2018	10:20am	Assembly Hall
NTI Archery Tournament #1	Friday February 2 – Saturday February 3, 2018	Friday PM Sat. All Day	Bosse HS
President's Day – No School	Monday February 19, 2018		
Celebrate NTI	Friday March 2, 2018	10:20am	Assembly Hall
NTI Archery Tournament #2 TENTATIVE	Friday March 16 – Saturday March 17, 2018	Friday PM Sat. All Day	Central HS
Spring Break	Monday March 26 – Friday March 30, 2018		
Class of 2022 Welcome Night	Thursday April 12, 2018	6:30pm	Assembly Hall
No School	Friday April 20 & Monday April 23, 2018		
Celebrate NTI	Friday May 4, 2018	10:20am	Assembly Hall
AP Government Exam	Thursday May 10, 2018	7:40am	Room 7 or 17
AP Calculus Exam	Tuesday May 15, 2018	7:40am	Assembly Hall
AP Microeconomics Exam	Friday May 18, 2018	7:40am	Assembly Hall
Class of 2018 Senior Recognition Night	Thursday May 17, 2018	6:30pm	Assembly Hall
Class of 2018 Class Day	Monday May 21, 2018	9:15am	Assembly Hall
Senior Breakfast	Tuesday May 22, 2018	8:00am	Assembly Hall
Class of 2018 GRADUATION!	Tuesday May 22, 2018	5:30pm	AIS Diamond
Last Day of 2017-18 School Year	Wednesday May 23, 2018		

ISTEP Dates for Sophomores:

To Be Determined

Turnabout and Prom: Dates, times, and locations to be determined

*Please watch the monthly newsletters as well as Facebook/Twitter/Instagram and our website <http://evscschools.com/newtech> for calendar updates as these dates are *subject to change*.

