

Wake NC State STEM Early College High School

BASICS

- Early College
- Opening with grade nine and will add a grade each year
- Bell schedule: 7:50 a.m. – 2:35 p.m.
- Projected enrollment of 55 students and five teachers
- School colors: Red, white, and black

LEADERSHIP AND CONTACT INFORMATION

- Principal: Robert Matheson
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PROGRAM FEATURES

- The Wake NC State STEM Early College High School is a joint project between the Wake County Public School System, NC State University, and the NC New Schools Project. STEM is an acronym that stands for the four content areas that this school will focus on: science, technology, engineering, and mathematics. This will be the theme of the school's program as well as being an Early College High School. Exploration of the Grand Challenges for Engineering will be a common instructional focus that will extend through various courses.
- The STEM ECHS will allow students to earn both a high school diploma and up to two years of college credit at NC State University at the conclusion of their five-year program.
- It is essential that entering students are highly interested in one or more of the content areas of science, technology, engineering, and/or math, and have a strong desire to attend college. This will require students to be dedicated and focused since they will be both high school and college students.
- The Wake NC State University STEM ECHS will be a small school by design, allowing the staff to place a high priority on personalization, to develop relationships between students and staff, and to create a highly challenging yet supportive learning environment.

FACILITY FEATURES

- The former NC State University Creative Services Building on Western Boulevard will temporarily house the STEM ECHS. This location will serve as the temporary home of the STEM ECHS. The school is to move into its permanent home at the Cherry Building on Centennial Campus when renovations are completed in the fall of 2013.

DIRECTIONS

- Take I-440 West/US 1 to exit for Western Boulevard toward NC State/ Downtown. Merge onto Western Boulevard Drive 1.2 miles, then turn right onto Varsity Drive. The school will be on the right at 1220 Varsity Drive.