

## STEM School Chattanooga

## 11<sup>th</sup> Grade PBL Unit Plan

Unit Quarter: 4th Title: Lupton City Mill Site Architecture Design Project



## **Learning Target Topics**

Collaboration: Working with other people on a project or problem to achieve a shared goal.

Critical Thinking: Accessing, using, and applying information and knowledge.

Innovation: Using creative thinking to construct something new and valuable.

Grade Level	11 <sup>th</sup> Grade U	nit Length	9 Weeks
Industry	Extended Design Studio: Matt Lyle, Sally Morrow, Dawn Snyder, Sarah Page,		
Partner	Jordan Bailey, Lauren Dunn		
Unit	Working with an amazing group of architects from local firms Franklin Architects, Hefferlin Kronenberg		
Overview	Architects, Cogent Studio, Elemi Architects, and Antidote, STEM student teams will design architectural solutions to reimagine the future of Lupton City. Located only a few miles from the STEM School, Lupton City was once the classic example of a company mill town. Founded in 1920, the town provided modern worker housing near the mill, as well as community services such as a school, post office, and church, and amenities such as concrete sidewalks, a gym, a movie theater, and a swimming pool (Wikipedia). However, that all changed when the mill closed in 2009. The property was acquired by an out-of-state company which demolished the mill and left a 12-acre site of rubble. The City of Chattanooga acquired the property and the mayor announced a plan to clean up the site. For the school partner, the focus is on the application of architectural design process to discover a solution that meets the needs of stakeholders. For the STEM School, the focus is on the innovation and critical thinking skills demonstrated by the student teams.		
Unit	Project: Develop an architectural design solution for the former mill site in Lupton City for one of the		
Essential	following areas: Farmers Market, Education Center, Transit Station, Community Center, Performance		
Issue	Pavilion		
Kick Off	Kick Off: Week of March 27th		
Event	Stakeholders, including elected officials and city re		
	improve the former mill site. Matt Lyle and the team of architects will discuss the architectural design process		
	and expectations for the project. They will lead the team through a prototyping process and familiarize teams with architectural skills.		
Culminating	Presentation Day: Week of May 16th		
Events	Teams will present their architectural design solutions to their sponsors and community stakeholders.		
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Common	Students will be scored using the Association of American Colleges and Universities rubric for Creative		
Assessment	Thinking Skills and Critical Thinking Skills. All 4's		ced, scores of 3 and 4 will equate to
	Proficient, and any scores below a 3 will equate to	Below Basic.	
	Items that will be used to score student work:  • Assignments (Weekly Prototype Reports, etc.)  • Architectural products  • Final presentation		
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