



Guiding future generations of innovative changemakers in the Greater Cincinnati region.

Picture of Thomas More full scholarship recipients 2022

NEXT is a youth development program that utilizes innovation and entrepreneurship skills to prepare our next generation to lead, create, and succeed in academics, career, and life.

NEXT DELIVERS

Innovative Thinking

- Problem Identification
- Idea Creation
- Design Contests

Skills to Lead

- Teamwork
- Personal Branding
- Diversity & Inclusion
- Internships
- Public Speaking

Entrepreneurial Mindset

- Opportunity Recognition
- Problem Solving
- Shark Tank Pitch Contest

The Process

1-2 Monthly Workshops

Pairs well with business, tech, and leadership courses

Expert Led

Keith Schneider, founder and entrepreneur, leads and engages local professionals

Contest Series

Teams compete to advance to regional contest

Over \$600k in scholarships awarded!

"Square 1 gives students the opportunity to step outside of the classroom and experience real business situations."- Sandy Roark (Beechwood High School)