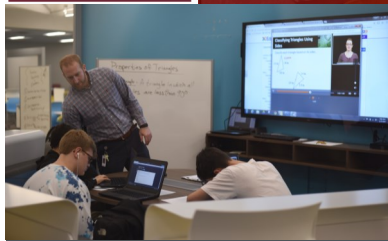




**D-B EXCEL**  
Excellence in a Creative Environment for Learning

The FUTURE of education is HERE...



STUDENTS UTILIZING TWO OF SEVERAL BREAKOUT ROOMS ↓



*"D-B EXCEL is a unique program of choice specializing in blended-learning classes and featuring flexible class schedules for students."*

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"21<sup>st</sup> Century Active Learning Space"  
KINGSPORT, TN

D-B EXCEL benefits from a strategic partnership between Kingsport City Schools, Steelcase, and **workspace interiors, inc.** that leverages an Active Learning Pilot for Kingsport City Schools, thus maximizing the return on the City's investment in this innovative "21st Century Active Learning" space. The Steelcase Pilot program allows dealers like **workspace interiors**, a strategic Steelcase Platinum Partner dealer, the ability to participate in impactful projects by allowing schools to "test drive" a state-of-the-art active learning center. The results being what is experienced today, the latest most innovative interactive solution made possible by research, direct applications, and post-occupancy analysis.

Located in the Kingsport Press Building, home of Kingsport City Schools' main office and the Kingsport Chamber of Commerce, **D-B EXCEL** is a program of choice for Dobyns-Bennet High School students. The new facility houses 210 students in a collaborative, more instructionally focused, and a more intimate environment.

The smaller learning environment provides a more personalized, collaborative, and family atmosphere between students, as they alternate between 30-minute group sessions and individual breakout sessions. Students move around frequently and utilize the various integrated tools, technology, and learning modules throughout the day. With an open interior architecture that integrates multiple learning postures and technology, students can learn at their own pace using online course platforms, developed by the **EXCEL** program instructors.

*The EXCEL academy achieves its vision to create a more personalized and education centric experience for both faculty and students.*

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