



## NEWS RELEASE

### **Lancaster High School named Distinguished High School by Project Lead the Way**

**July 20, 2021-** Lancaster High School has been named a 2020-2021 Project Lead the Way (PLTW) Distinguished High School.

LHS was recognized for its commitment to helping students own their education by increasing student access, engagement, and achievement in programs that empower students to unlock their potential by developing the in-demand, real-world knowledge, and skills necessary to thrive in life beyond the classroom.

LHS offers PLTW courses in the areas of Engineering, Computer Science and Biomedical Sciences. During the 2020-21 school year, LHS offered the following PLTW courses:

- Principles of Engineering and Introduction to Engineering Design instructed by Mr. Clay Hartzler
- Civil Engineering and Architecture instructed by Mrs. Holly Lavender
- Computer Science Essentials and Computer Science Principles instructed by Mr. Justin Rysz
- Human Body Systems and Principles of Biomedical Science instructed by Mr. Jeff Wells
- Medical Interventions and Biomedical Innovations instructed by Mr. Todd Bayat

“Lancaster High School continues to provide students with exceptional experiences that will prepare them for college and career, led by a talented and committed staff,” said Nathan Hale, LCS Superintendent. “PLTW courses provide unique opportunities for our students to explore interests, imagine and design solutions to real-world challenges, and fosters independent, confident problem solving. This honor is another example of how Lancaster City Schools strives to be innovative in our instruction to ensure each student has the opportunity to fulfill his or her potential.”

#### ***About Project Lead the Way (PLTW)***

*Project Lead The Way curriculum and programming provides transformative learning experiences for PreK-12 students and teachers across the U.S. PLTW creates an engaging, hands-on classroom environment and empowers students to develop in-demand knowledge and skills they need to thrive. PLTW also provides teachers with the training, resources, and support they need to engage students in real-world learning. PLTW offers pathways in computer science, engineering, and biomedical science to engage students in hands-on activities, projects, and problems; empower them to solve real-world challenges; and inspire them to reimagine how they see themselves.*

*The Lancaster City School District is focused on student achievement, safe and secure schools, friendly and responsive staff members, the responsible use of budget, and innovative technology. The district serves the educational needs of more than 6,400 children and youth in our community with a dedicated team of more than 700 employees. Offices are located at 345 East Mulberry Street in Lancaster. More information is available at <http://www.lancaster.k12.oh.us/>.*

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