LEARNING ENVIRONMENTS:

THE IMPORTANCE OF INTERIOR DESIGN
Education Experts

More than 450 educational projects

80% Educational Projects
90% Repeat Clients

Award-Winning Educational Facilities

1/3 of Staff are Interior Designers
Top Quality School Division

30,913 Children

5 Early Childhood Centers
26 Elementary Schools
8 Middle Schools
5 High Schools

ALL 40 Schools Fully Accredited

5 years in a row on Newsweek’s top high schools list
What is Interior Design and why is it important to your learning environments?

Is it affordable?

How does Newport News engage Interior Designers?
SO WHAT IS INTERIOR DESIGN?
INTERIOR DESIGN

IS NOT: "making things look pretty"

IS NOT: “expensive”

IS NOT: “decoration”
The improvement of environment through NOT ONLY aesthetics but also *functionality and productivity*.

- Accommodate a variety of teaching and learning styles
- Interior spaces are designed to fit your needs
- Provide for flexibility
Research and analysis merged with creativity

- Learning Styles
- Child Development
- Educational Theory

- Latest product development
- Ergonomics
- Spatial Comfort: lighting, acoustics, air quality

Best Practices
A Qualitative Impact:

Good interior design can make a qualitative impact on education.
Integrated & Affordable:

• You’re going to spend the money anyway – why not make the right choices?

• More Bang for your Buck - Huge Impact
How NNPS Utilizes Interior Designers
School Board Meeting Auditorium

Took a bland concrete block walled space with 1970’s vintage finishes and brought into the 21st century
School Board Meeting Auditorium

Sound Attenuation panels on walls help the acoustics in left photo. Use of wood varieties and wood grain pattern matching create a wonderful visual backdrop for televised proceedings.
This is an example of a space study done in our television studio to determine if new equipment would fit into our space.
Functional Decor
Model of all schools in the city
Sound Attenuation

Wave Panels
Sound Attenuation
Systems Fixtures, Furnishings & Finishes
Small meeting area
Lighting
Seating
A/V