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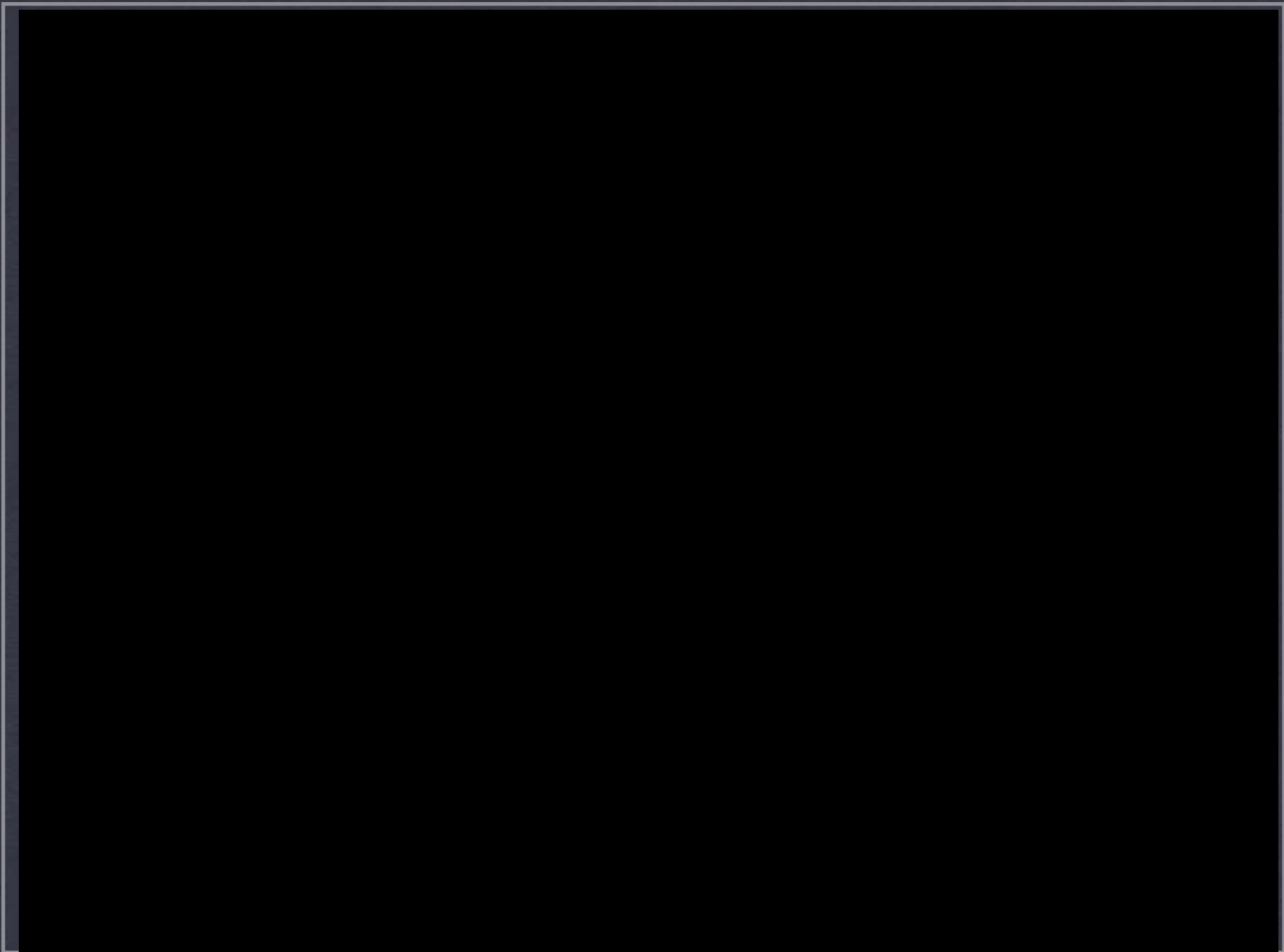


Utica Center for Science and Industry

Engineering

Mechatronics

Multimedia



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***“Our goal is to foster an engaging, challenging and creative environment where each student feels competent, confident, and motivated to learn.”***

# The Decision...

**Traditional  
Comprehensive  
High School**

**Utica Center  
for Science  
and  
Industry**

**Utica  
Center for  
Math,  
Science,  
and  
Technology**

**Utica  
Academy of  
International  
Studies**

**Find the right fit for YOU!**

# What is CSI?

Half day program, grades 9-12

High-tech career/elective pathways:

- Mechatronics
- Engineering Technology
- Multimedia Production

Each year, students take English,  
math, and elective

(Note: no science credit at CSI)

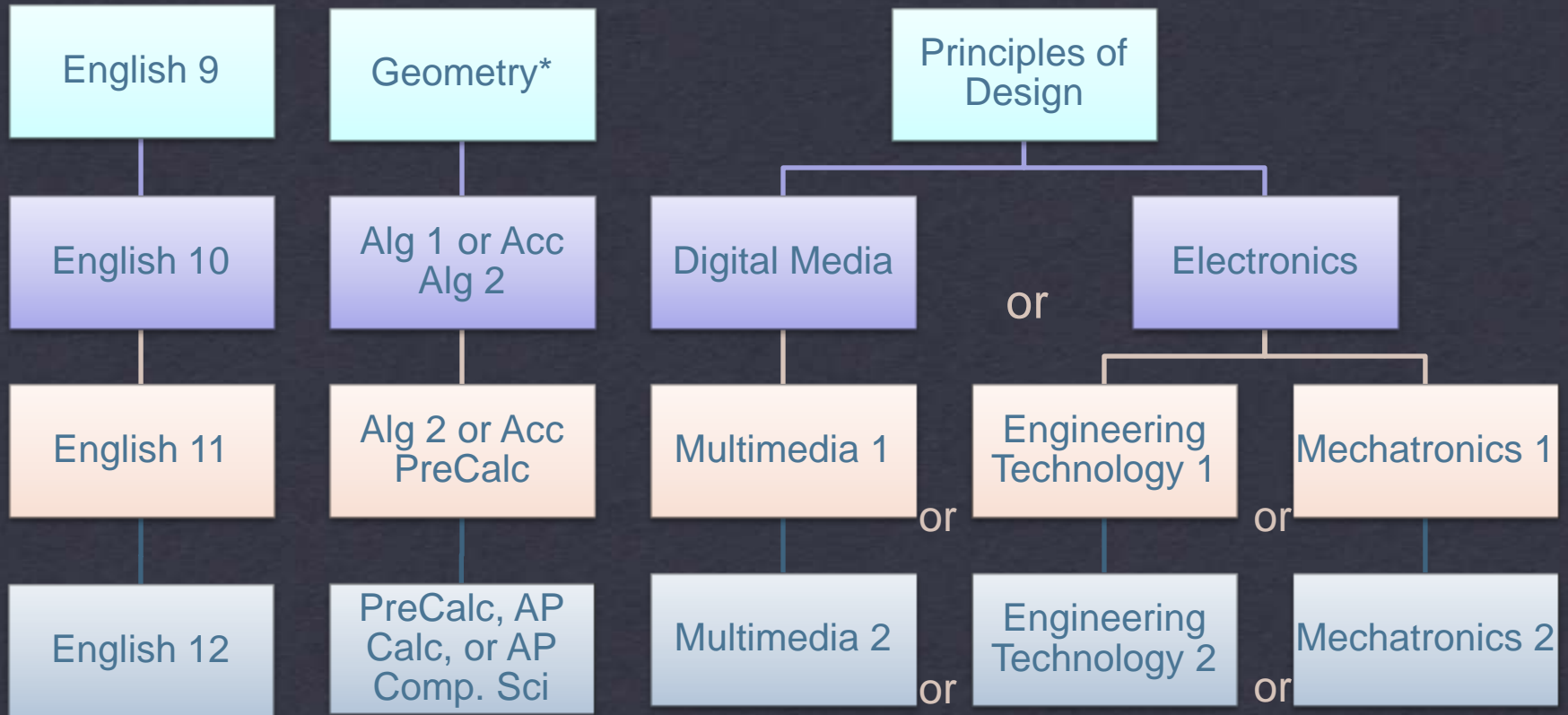
# The Ninth Grade Schedule

<b>CSI Ninth Grade Classes (a.m.)</b>	<b>Home School Classes</b>
CSI English 9	Social Studies
CSI Geometry*	Science
CSI Design Principles: Elective in creative and technical design**	Elective

\*Or AP Computer Science if credit already earned in Geometry

\*\*No previous art experience (or “talent”) required.

# Four Years of CSI



*\*Already had Geometry? You'll take AP Computer Science*  
Work-based learning experiences throughout  
Portfolio/resume development in 11<sup>th</sup>/12<sup>th</sup>

# High Tech Career Pathways

## CSI Engineering Technology

- Principles of Design
- Electronics
- Engineering Tech I, II

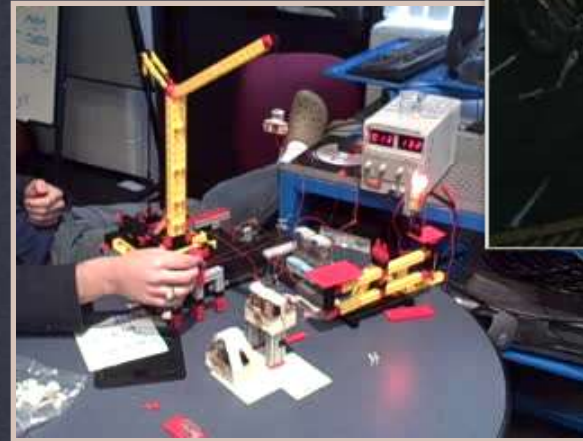




# High Tech Career Pathways

## CSI Mechatronics

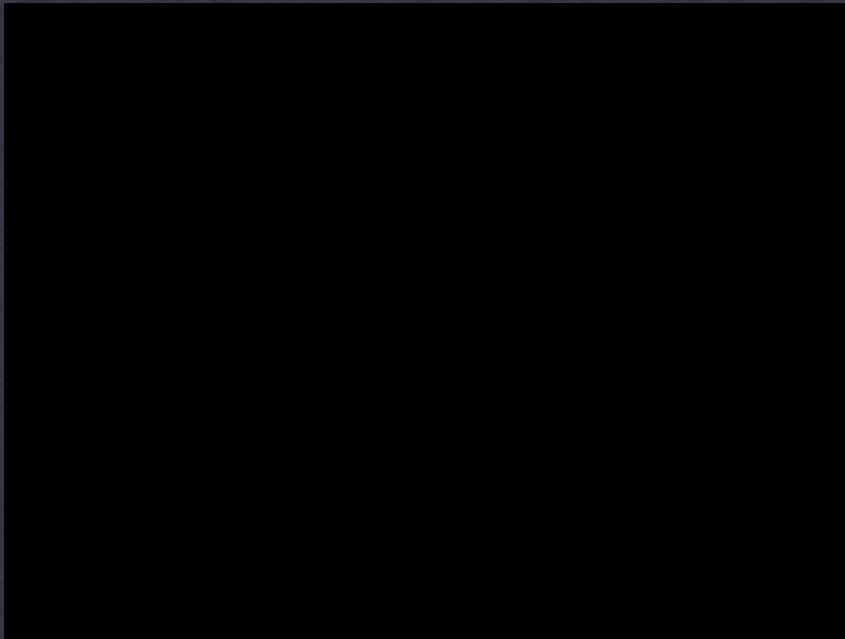
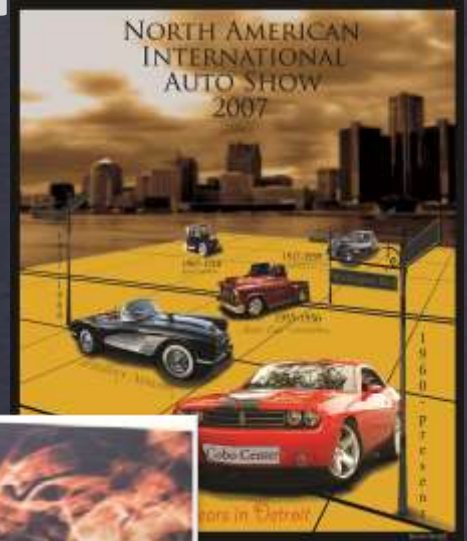
- Principles of Design
- Electronics
- Mechatronics I, II
  - Automated Systems
  - Robotics
  - 3D Printing
  - Circuitry
  - PLC Programming



# High Tech Career Pathways

## CSI Multimedia Production

- Principles of Design
- Digital Media
- Multimedia I, II



# Earn College Credit

- Articulation agreements with Macomb Community College in all three pathways
- Advanced Placement Computer Science
- Advanced Placement Calculus A/B
- MAT2 Program

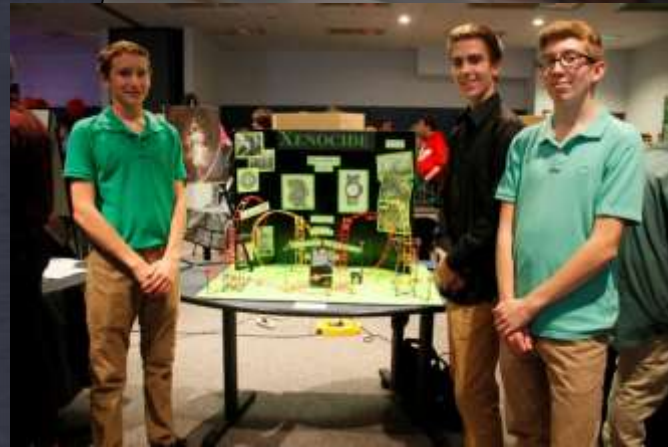
NOTE: Students enrolled in UCSI (and MST and UAIS) are **ineligible** for Early College Macomb (ECM) or other early college programs.

If you are interested in  
one of our elective  
pathways, consider the  
following questions...

# Do you learn better when building or creating in a hands-on way?



# Do you enjoy working as part of a team?



...and are you willing to explore different solutions to problems?

# Do you enjoy using technology to enhance your learning?



# Are you more motivated when your learning is connected to the “real world”?



**Dr. Ed Catmull**  
Co-Founder of Pixar and  
President of Disney Animation



**Smart Vehicle Technologies**  
21<sup>st</sup> World Congress



**TEDx Detroit**

**Tank Automotive Research**  
Development Engineering Center



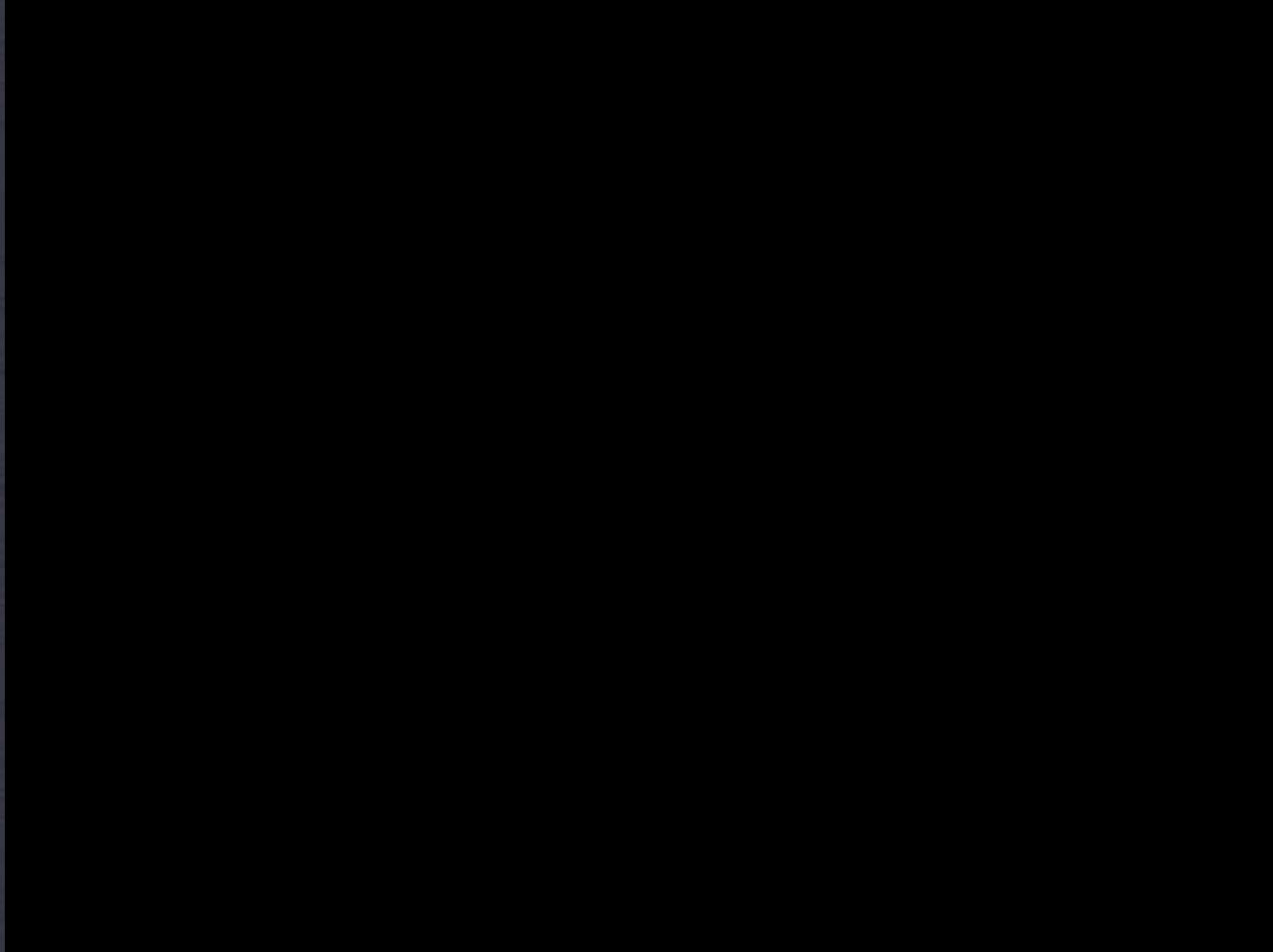
**Women in S.T.E.M.**  
General Dynamics Land Systems



**If you answered “yes”  
then CSI might be  
the place for you!**

# How is CSI Unique?

## The students' perspective



# **CSI Culture**

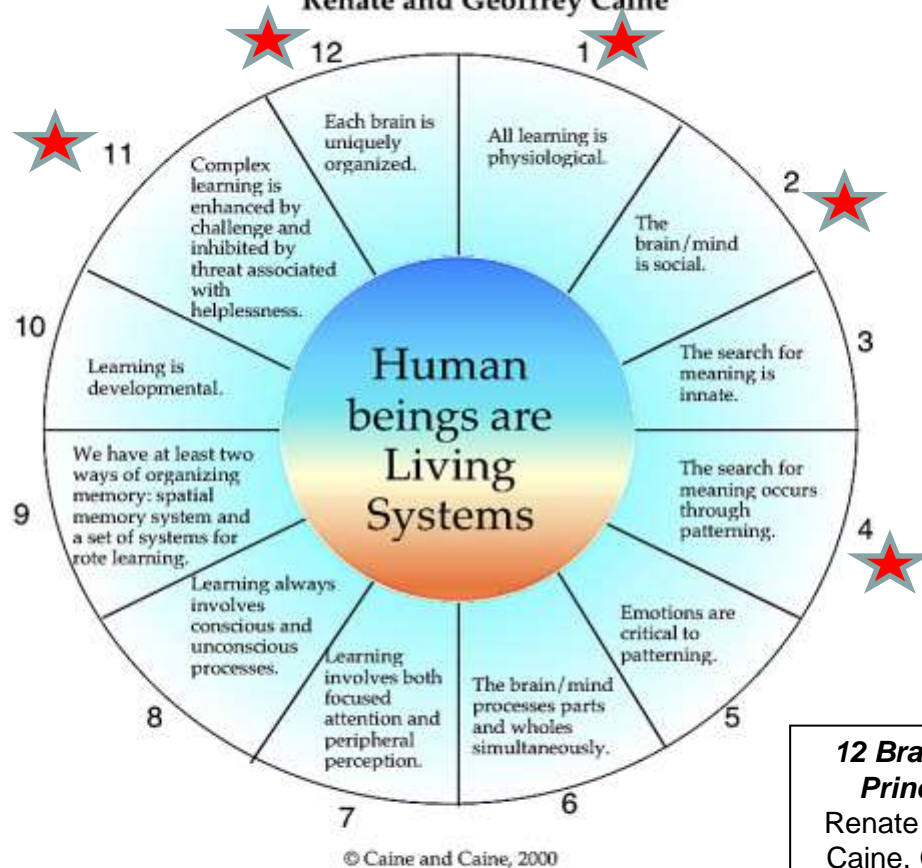
## Brain-based learning

Environment,  
and  
instructional  
practices  
are based on  
how the brain  
learns best.

12 Natural Learning  
Principles (LP 1-12)

## The Brain/Mind Learning Principles

Renate and Geoffrey Caine



### 12 Brain/Mind Principles

Renate Numella Caine, Geoffrey Caine, Carol McClintic, Karl Klimek

Three interactive elements emerging out of the principles



# Brain-based Learning

## Learning is physiological (LP1)

- Both the body and brain are a part of learning
- Learners should be physically engaged and comfortable

### *At CSI...*

- ✓ Kids are free move about the classroom and building at appropriate times.
- ✓ Technology & multi-sensory experiences are infused into daily lessons and projects.



# Brain-based Learning

## The Brain/Mind is Social (LP2)

- During learning, the brain/mind wants to question, share, communicate
- Students learn best when they feel a sense of community



### *At CSI...*

- ✓ Students sit in collaborative tables, not in rows.
- ✓ Students often work through problems and projects in teams.

# Brain-based Learning

**Learning occurs through patterning and emotions are critical to the process (LP4 & 5)**

- People are driven to identify, name, and organize elements—to find patterns
- Positive emotional state = deeper learning

*At CSI...*

- ✓ Students often work to discover new patterns rather than receive information through lecture.
- ✓ Classroom environments are positive, friendly, fun

**“Figure it out”=unofficial CSI motto**

# Brain-based Learning

**Complex learning is enhanced by challenge and inhibited by threat (LP11)**

- The threatened, fearful brain is not capable of deep levels of learning.

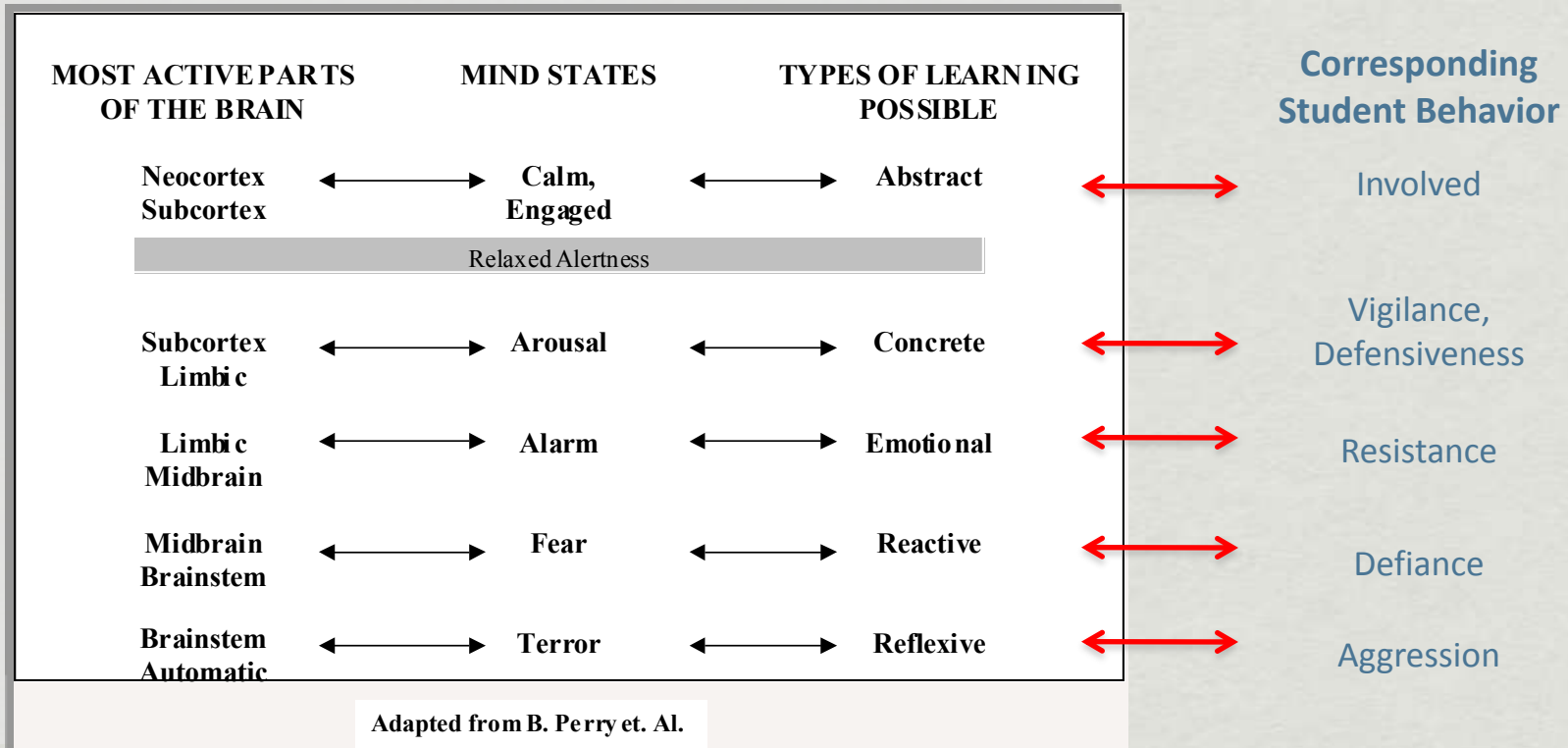
*At CSI...*

- ✓Expectations are high for all assignments, all learners: challenge for all
- ✓Flexible deadlines are possible
- ✓Revision and resubmission of assignments is encouraged as needed



# Brain-based Learning

## “Relaxed Alertness”



LP 11-Learning is **enhanced by challenge** and **inhibited by threat associated with helplessness or fatigue.**

# **CSI Culture**

## **Cross-Curricular Projects**

# Real World Relevance through Cross-Curricular Projects: The Kite Project



9<sup>th</sup> grade students collaborate to research and create a kite.

English	Geometry	Design Principles
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*Short story unit: <i>Kite Runner</i> excerpts</li> <li>*Research: kite construction, flight</li> <li>*Research &amp; Development Board</li> <li>*Presentation to seniors who give immediate feedback</li> </ul>	<p>Demonstration of math concepts such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*Pythagorean Theorem</li> <li>*Surface area</li> <li>*Symmetry</li> <li>*Indirectly calculate the height of their kite in flight</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*Creative process: documentation of brainstorming, sketches, final drawings and CAD renderings</li> <li>*Originality of CSI Logo</li> <li>*Craftsmanship</li> <li>*Elements of art</li> <li>*Analyze flight problems, research, reengineer</li> </ul>

# Real World Relevance through Cross-Curricular Projects: The DPS Project

9<sup>th</sup> grade students collaborate to research and create an original beverage product, container, and marketing plan.

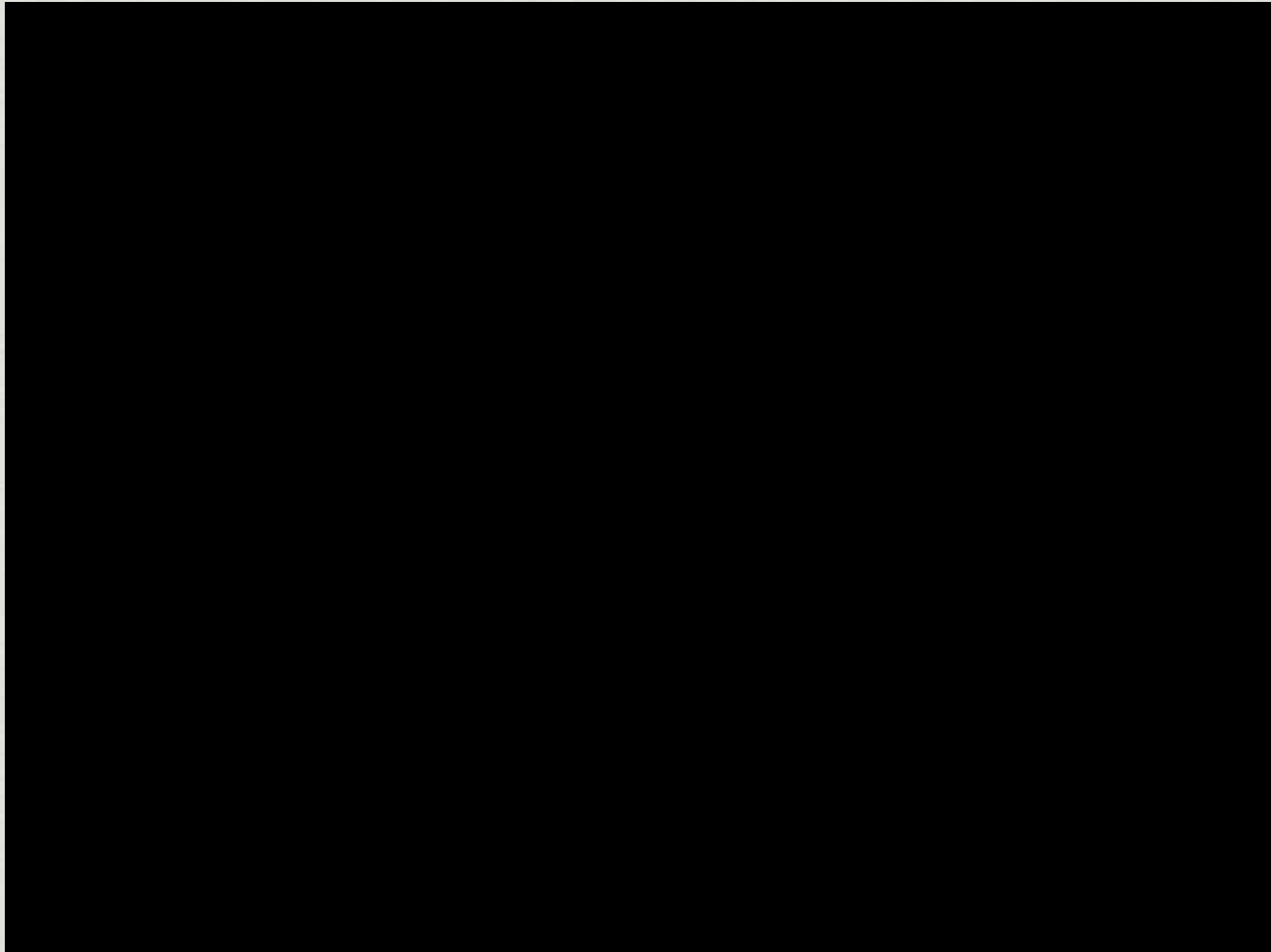
<b>English</b>	<b>Geometry/Math</b>	<b>Design Principles</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>*Group research report on HOW beverage is a healthier, marketable alternative</li><li>*Communicate their ideas clearly</li><li>*Persuasive and effective presentation</li><li>*Reflection of Corporate Role</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>*Scale ratios</li><li>*Surface Area</li><li>*Volume</li><li>*Production Costs</li><li>*Profit margin</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>*Create an original logo for their company</li><li>•Create a visual display</li><li>•Physical prototype</li><li>CAD 3D Model</li></ul>

# Real World Relevance through Cross-Curricular Projects: Roller Coasters

10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> grade students work in groups to design , create and pitch an attraction with a literary theme to “high stakes investors”

<b>English</b>	<b>Algebra</b>	<b>Engineering</b>	<b>Digital Media</b>
*Collaborate to develop literary theme throughout ride and promotional materials *Communicate their ideas clearly *Persuasive, professional presentation and marketing materials	*Construct a graph of ride’s height over time and model parts of ride with linear, quadratic, and polynomial functions	*Research, design and model an amusement ride	*Create an effective promotional campaign with clear thematic links *Analyze the elements and principles of art in campaign *Utilize appropriate technology

# Real World Relevance through Cross-Curricular Projects: The Trade Show



# Results

# Achievement Data

- CSI Students achieving above local and state averages
  - ✓ ACT (composite and all sections)
  - ✓ MME (all sections)
- Statistically significant improvement in achievement
- Class of 2014: four valedictorians
- Class of 2013: three valedictorians, one National Merit semi-finalist



# Parent Response

A 2012 parent survey showed

- 91% say that CSI “has had an impact on improving my child’s motivation & effort in school”
- 98% agree that CSI “helps my child meet state academic standards”
- 94% state that CSI “encourages my child to attend college”

# Where are CSI graduates?

- Michigan Technological University
- College for Creative Studies
- Michigan State University
- University of Michigan
- Kettering University
- Lawrence Technological University
- Saginaw Valley State University
- Wayne State University
- Kendall College of Art and Design
- Full Sail University
- California College of the Arts
- Central Michigan University
- Macomb Community College
- Grand Valley State University
- Western Michigan University
- Oakland University
- University of Detroit Mercy
- Savannah College of Art and Design
- MAT2

98% of CSI Graduates have gone on to  
post-secondary study

# Admissions-Criteria

- Application information
- Scores on math, reading, writing entrance exams
- Grade Point Average (Jan. 2014)

The above information is entered into a rubric. Students whose rubric score is higher than the determined minimum are entered into a lottery.

# Admissions-Lottery

***All qualified students have equal opportunity to be admitted.***

- Qualified students get a randomly selected number.
- Invitations sent to students #1-90.
- Waitlist letters sent to students #91 +
- Decline letters sent to non-qualified students.
- Waitlisted students contacted (in order) upon declines.

# Packet Includes

- CSI Profile & FAQ's
  - ✓ Four year plan
  - ✓ Transportation information
- Brain/mind learning information
- Map
- Application information

# Discover CSI

Use the map to guide you  
through CSI

# Creativity, Collaboration and Innovation Senior Project 2013

