

# SOLUTIONS



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*Recommendations for successful implementation of project-based learning*

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- Nothing has to be done all at once. Do one new thing per semester or marking period and over the course of a couple of years, projects will be developed.
- Investigate resources—Buck Institute ([www.bie.org](http://www.bie.org)), Edutopia ([www.edutopia.org](http://www.edutopia.org)), and books and videos on project-based learning and makerspaces (see resources).

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- Start by doing some research—watching videos and reading about project-based learning
- Ask why—why do I want to include projects-based learning? Why do I want to change my instruction?
- Embed instruction and support for 21st century skills—creativity, critical thinking, working collaboratively, real-world problem solving and applying what they know
- Start small—start with mini-projects and components of projects: how to work as a team, how to do research and identify good resources, how to organize and track their work
- Find projects that have already been designed and make tweaks rather than designing from scratch
- Project-based learning can transform education by making learning more relevant, more engaging, and more accessible for all students