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New Orleans

VISION

New Orleans public school graduates will thrive economically as a result of being the most sought-after talent for hiring and advancement in our region’s high-wage career pathways.

OVERVIEW

The New Orleans design team has supported three training providers (NOCC, Operation Spark, and Next Level NOLA) in expanding their pathways from 11th grade through postsecondary credentials (an associate degree or equivalent industry-based credential), using 13th year bridge programming that is closely aligned to the needs of regional employers.

ORGANIZATIONS / ENTITIES REPRESENTED ON DESIGN TEAM

- YouthForce NOLA
- Collegiate Academies/Next Level NOLA
- New Orleans Career Center
- Operation Spark
- Delgado Community College
- NOLA Public Schools
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— High School Student

STUDENT VOICE

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