nex+Gen Academy is a small community, public, APS school of choice that offers a unique project-based learning environment as part of the proven national model established by the New Tech Learning Network.

OUR MISSION and VISION: nex+Gen Academy will create a community of facilitators, learners, and other school personnel where learning and global citizenship are cultivated to develop future leaders.

CORE VALUES: Relevance, Rigor, Relationships, Tenacity and Flexibility

ADMISSIONS
nex+Gen Academy is an APS High School of choice. There is no tuition required to attend. Because students come to us from various places, we require interested students to submit an application. Admission to nex+Gen Academy will be granted on a first-come, first-served basis. Admission to nex+Gen Academy shall be open to all students on a nondiscriminatory basis, without regard to race, color, national origin, creed, gender, ethnicity, behavior, ancestry, disability or academic achievement.

WHAT IS A School of Choice?
Schools of choice are public school that offer a unique and specialized curriculum. nex+Gen Academy is the only public school in APS and New Mexico implementing a PBL (Project-Based Learning) curriculum based on a proven national model established by the New Tech Network.

IS NEX+GEN RIGHT FOR YOUR CHILD?
nex+Gen Academy fosters a professional collaborative learning environment and rigorous academic standards that prepare students to become self-directed learners. nex+Gen Academy is a small community school with a capacity of 400 students and a unique culture of trust, respect, and responsibility. Students at nex+Gen Academy are expected to demonstrate independence in learning, self-motivation and autonomy. nex+Gen Academy offers a particular emphasis on the unique academic opportunities provided by a collaborative working environment. Students are expected to build and demonstrate mastery of standards in core content through dynamic collaboration and technology integration. Technology is viewed as a professional tool to advance student work. Students are immersed in a learning environment that closely mimics the workplace with emphasis on 21st Century Skills. Assessment is based on a specific set of learning outcomes: content area standards mastery, written communication, oral communication, work ethic and collaboration.

CAMPUS FACILITY
Nex+gen Academy is an award-winning facility that incorporates an array of collaborative spaces ranging from spacious learning studios to small breakout spaces for small groups of six or eight students.

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2014-2015
Application Process and Checklist

The early application deadline is **Feb. 28, 2014.** In order to be eligible for early admission, you must complete the following steps and have your application packet completed and turned in by 3:00pm on February 28th.

___ 1. **ORIENTATION MEETING**
   Date attended: ______________
   Attend a nex+Gen student/parent orientation meeting (dates below) at nex+Gen Academy. Application packets will be distributed at the meeting. The application process and required documents will be reviewed at this meeting for clarification. This will be an opportunity for prospective families to learn more about nex+Gen and ask questions before applying.

___ 2. **nex+Gen Academy APPLICATION FORM**
   Please complete the Student Application Form. Both parent(s)/guardian(s) and student should sign the application form. If you currently live in the DNHS boundary area, please include proof of residence in the form of a bill and/or mortgage agreement.

___ 3. **PERSONAL ESSAY QUESTIONS COMPLETED BY STUDENT APPLICANT**
   Students applying to nex+Gen Academy are required to compose two essays questions which should be returned with the application packet. Please read the essay form for instructions.

___ 4. **TECHNOLOGY POLICY AGREEMENT**
   Parent(s)/Guardian(s) should read Technology Policy Agreement. Please sign and date the bottom of the form to indicate an understanding of the requirements.

___ 5. **AGREEMENT BETWEEN NEX+GEN ACADEMY, PARENTS & STUDENTS**
   Read the Agreement Between nex+Gen Academy, Parents, & Students. Please sign and date the bottom of the form to indicate an understanding of the requirements.

___ 6. **REQUEST FOR SCHOOL RECORDS**
   Please sign and complete only the top portion of the form and return with your child’s
application packet.

__7. TEACHER RECOMMENDATION FORMS__
Two letters of recommendation from teachers currently working with the student. If a student is receiving special education services one of the letters must come from the sponsor teacher.

__8. ACADEMIC CREDIT RECOVERY EXPECTATION__
Please read, fill out and sign the Academic Credit Recovery Expectation form and return with your child’s application packet.

__9. COPY OF TRANSCRIPTS AND/OR REPORT CARD__
Please request a copy of the transcript or most current report card from the school student is currently attending.

**IMPORTANT:** Only complete applications will be considered for admission.
AGREEMENT
between nex+Gen Academy, Parent(s)/Guardian(s) and Students

1. As a member of Albuquerque Public Schools, nex+Gen Academy abides by all district rules and policies. In addition, nex+gen will have policies and procedures specific to the school culture and norms and technology policy use that must be followed.

2. nex+Gen Academy is a magnet high school and does not provide student transportation. Parents or students are responsible for transportation to and from school as well as to and from additional school requirements such as internships and dual-credit classes on a college campus.

3. nex+gen Academy offers a unique sequence and course of studies. Nex+Gen Academy’s course of studies for all students meets APS graduation requirements over 4 years. Many courses are integrated and students earn credits for several subjects while taking one course. While nex+Gen Academy’s program of studies lists integrated course titles, traditional APS titles such as “English 9” and “World History” will appear on the student’s transcript. Students will earn credits for the courses they are enrolled in, but due to the differences in sequencing standards in a project-based learning environment, they may find themselves in a slightly different place in the curriculum at a traditional high school. For this reason and others, we strongly discourage students from transferring to nex+gen Academy mid year. As is the case with all APS high schools, the sequence of courses varies.

4. Additional curricular requirements by grade (supported through student’s daily advisory class):
   - 9th grade: Service Learning
   - 10th grade: Carer and Academic Planning
   - 11th & 12th grade: 2 dual-credit college classes, Mentorship, Internship, Job Shadow, a fourth year of Science, Completion of a Senior Project, and Completion of a Digital Portfolio

5. Parents are always welcome visitors. At nex+Gen Academy, parents are partners in the educational process and should make every effort to attend school events, attend Student Led Conferences twice a year, and log on to the Grade Management System (Echo) to view and monitor their student’s progress on a regular basis. Contact information in the form of phone numbers, addresses and e-mails should be updated regularly to facilitate nex+Gen Academy’s commitment to maintaining constructive communication with parents.

6. nex+Gen Academy supports provided for students:
   - A daily small advisory class throughout the student’s school career
   - A school counselor to facilitate mentorships, internships and job shadows
   - A laptop for every student

By signing I agree to the terms and conditions of this agreement:
Student: ______________________________ Date: ________________________
Parent: _______________________________ Date: ________________________