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Vineyard STEM Magnet School, in the Ontario-Montclair School District, named a 21st Century Learning Exemplar, a national recognition of educational excellence

P21 has designated Vineyard STEM Magnet School in the Ontario-Montclair School District as a 21st Century Learning Exemplar School for 2018-2019. Vineyard STEM Magnet earned this award for its outstanding practices in equipping students with the necessary skills and knowledge for success in college, career, and beyond.

In order to become part of the P21 Exemplar Program, schools and districts must demonstrate not just an adequate implementation of the Framework for 21st Century Learning, but also expertise in the elements of: Student Agency, Distributed Leadership, a Climate of Achievement, Engaged Community, and use of Evidence and Research.

"The Board of Trustees is very excited that our Vineyard STEM was selected for this distinction. Vineyard STEM is truly a special place of learning for students, staff, and families. For this school to be part of the P21 Exemplar Program is an honor for our Vineyard STEM community and very well-deserved", stated OMSD Board President Elvia M. Rivas.

"We are proud to be able to offer the type of learning experiences here at Vineyard STEM that engage our students in highly collaborative, and cooperative learning. Our STEM instructional model gives students the opportunity to think critically about complex tasks and find creative solutions. I am pleased that the P21 organization has recognized the hard work our staff has put in to creating a STEM for all learning model", said Principal Alec Hobbs.

Vineyard educators strive to actively involve families and diverse community organizations to enhance student learning. Students are prepared with technology skills that reflect the needs of a 21st century learner while offering students multiple enrichment opportunities.

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