Indiana’s Network of New Tech High Schools has grown to become the largest statewide network in the nation to implement the New Tech project-based learning model. The groundbreaking steps that Indiana New Tech schools have taken have made Indiana a destination for other states to study educational transformation. Across the state, school corporations of various demographics, sizes, and community involvement have come together to create a powerful network of schools dedicated to transforming education and focused on preparing students for the 21st century. While the 16 Indiana New Techs work together as a network, their paths are widely varied. In Indiana there are currently three New Tech implementation styles: school-within-a-school, whole school conversion, and autonomous schools. There also are variations found in the day-to-day components of the school, including the implementation of technology, which is the focus of this summary.

### PC vs. Mac

Sixty-seven percent of all Indiana New Tech High Schools utilize a completely PC-based computer infrastructure. Two schools have implemented a combination of PCs and Macs and four schools solely utilize Macs. Of the four schools utilizing a Mac platform, three are small rural schools implementing New Tech in 2010 and the other is an urban school-within-a-school model that has been established for three years. Several schools (13%) are electing to use both Macs and PCs, enabling students to become proficient in using both platforms.

### Laptop vs. Desktop

Half of the schools (50%) have chosen to implement the New Tech model with a combination of both laptop and desktop computers. Following a combination of laptops and desktops, the next most popular method is to solely utilize laptops (32%). Of the five schools electing to use laptop computers, no consistency exists among the type of implementation.

### Wired vs. Wireless

The majority of schools (63%) in the Indiana Network utilize a combination of a wired and wireless network. Some schools rely completely on a wireless network; however, no schools rely solely on a wired network. Of those using a combination, many utilize both specifically to address the mix of laptop and desktop computers in use. Among completely wireless schools, 50% utilize Macs and 50% utilize PCs; however, 100% of the combination sites utilize primarily PCs.