



# CASE STUDY | Teacher Desk



"We're an innovative district of champions where students are academically and culturally prepared by a team committed to developing critical thinkers and productive citizens ready to serve."

This large school district in central Ohio needed a teacher desk that could perform as well as their students and staff. The district was not satisfied with the standard offerings available on the market so they turned to our Vanerum Studio design team to help them create a multifunctional solution.

This innovative district, driven by increasing technological integration needed a desk that would manage an extensive amount of wires and electrical. Teachers also wanted a desk that would facilitate the student-teacher exchange by creating a small conference setting where students and teachers could work one-on-one to solve problems and collaborate. Their final request was to create a desk that could be easily re-configured with

The Studio team visited the school and walked the faculty through an hands-on design activity that involved teachers actually creating their "dream desk" from cardboard and tape. The school district, dealer, and the design firm then worked with the Studio team to develop a custom piece that fit all of their requirements using information gathered from the design charrette. We presented three options to the customer, all of which were designed around their specifications. The district approved a mock-up of Vanerum's design. The final desk included full wire management, a top shelf book rack, peninsula worksurface, and a laminate pedestal and bookshelf for storage.

After the initial order, the district plans to standardize on the design for an additional ten schools.



Elevated book rack provides visibility to classroom without interference and the peninsula shape increases work space.



Wires and cords route throughout the workstation and are accessible through a locking, hinged back panel.