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David Jakes' career as an educational designer has been influenced by the variety of roles and positions that he has held over 35 years. As a classroom science teacher, David developed a deep understanding of teaching and learning that has served as a foundation for his entire professional life. As a school administrator, David provided leadership on a wide variety of school opportunities and issues, including the application of educational technology to the school experience. During his time as an educator, David developed an interest in design and learning spaces and joined The Third Teacher+ Design Studio of CannonDesign, an international design firm. David served as a digital learning strategist and had an opportunity to work across the United States on a variety of K-12 and higher education design projects, all in the service of designing contemporary spaces for teaching and learning.

Today, David serves as the founder and lead designer for David Jakes Designs LLC, a design studio dedicated to reshaping education through the creation of inspiring learning environments. The studio specializes in designing classroom and library spaces, informal spaces, and specialized learning spaces such as makerspaces and STEAM labs. In support of this work, the firm also designs and conducts classroom pilot programs which include professional development for educators and the post-occupancy evaluation of pilot spaces. The goal of these efforts, as well as every aspect of the firm's work, is to ensure that each client's vision for their learning spaces is realized.

The firm has worked with public and independent K-12 school systems across the United States, Canada, and Central America.

Additionally, David Jakes Designs works with industry partners to provide design services. These engagements include supporting furniture manufacturers with their design and operational efforts as well as partnering with architectural firms to provide services associated with school design and master facilities planning.

Having experience as a teacher, administrator, technologist, and designer provides David with a unique capacity to support the development of nextgeneration learning spaces that truly serve a school's mission and vision. His experience adds value to any educational design project.

You can learn more about David Jakes Designs at [davidjakesdesigns.com](http://davidjakesdesigns.com). The site presents the body of David's work as a designer, including examples of project work and the associated designs, blog posts that demonstrate thought leadership, access to a learning spaces newsletter, and sets of resources on a variety of topics associated with teaching, learning, and design.