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This article presents a review of instructional models with the goal of demonstrating how engineering and technology studies can be incorporated seamlessly into P-12 curricula. Various rationales for the critical need to introduce students to engineering and technology concepts and design processes throughout the pre-college pipeline give cogent reasons for their adoption, even (or, perhaps, especially) in light of related issues of in-service teacher training and development, curricular standards, and the challenge of introducing new material in a system driven by No Child Left Behind and associated high-stakes assessments. An extensive list of references is provided.

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