

**INNOVATION ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL  
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**INNOVATION ACADEMY CHARTER ANNOUNCES LOCATION FOR NEW HIGH SCHOOL**

Chelmsford, MA – The Innovation Academy Charter School is pleased to announce an agreement with the Town of Chelmsford to lease the Old Town Hall at 1A North Road, Chelmsford for its high school expansion. The building will provide a unique environment for the high school's first year. Innovation Academy is an expansion of the successful Murdoch Middle Charter Public School and will open with approximately 50 students in grade 9 in September 2007. The school will then add one grade per year, eventually serving 300 students in grades 9-12.

"It's an inspiring historic building in a wonderful central location that will serve our needs quite well for the start of the high school," said Walter Landberg, Innovation Academy Executive Director. "This is a great opportunity for us to work together with the town of Chelmsford. It's a win-win for all involved."

The mission of Innovation Academy Charter is to provide a model high school for the 21<sup>st</sup> century – innovative and creative, with leading edge teaching and learning. "We will help students make connections between what they're learning in school and the broader community around them," Landberg added. "Here, they will have the chance to apply their learning to the real world."

The education offered at the school will be liberal arts in nature, with a strong emphasis on developing students in science, technology, engineering, and math. It will emphasize the integration between the traditional disciplines, with a balance among all subjects, as well as partnerships with institutions of higher education, community, and business.

Charter schools are public schools that are free and open to all Massachusetts students. To learn more about the school, arrange a tour, or to download an application, please visit the school's website [www.murdochschoo.org](http://www.murdochschoo.org) or call 978-970-0100, extension 303.