

Skateboarder

Levi Brown, kickflip.

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YOU DIDN'T
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ROBERTS & OLSON
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BOARD MAKING 101

Building decks in Michigan schools

While many skaters are routinely hassled for skating on school grounds or even bringing their skateboards to class, the folks at Michigan's Traverse City East Junior High are taking a different approach. Recognizing the appeal and popularity of skating with today's students, tech-education teacher Scott Diment created a curriculum where students can build their own skate decks.

With skateboard construction as the basis for his course, Diment teaches his students math, science and ecology. Diment teamed up with Paul Schmitt of skateboard manufacture PS Stix to develop the "CreateAskate" program. Diment has implemented the program in two junior high classes already and hopes to spread the curriculum nationally.