

The Department of Career and Technical Education

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## PROGRAM GUIDE 2024-2025



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DELAWARE COUNTY

**DCTS**

TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOLS



Guided by industry professionals, Delaware County Technical High Schools prepare today's students for tomorrow's opportunities by providing innovative, meaningful technical training, a foundation for life-long learning and marketable credentials for high-wage, high demand careers.

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## CONSIDER THE POSSIBLE CAREER CHOICES:

Maybe you know exactly what type of career you want to have in your life, or maybe you are not sure about the options that are available. Either way, we can help. If you already know what field you are interested in, you can turn to that program in this guide to find out more. Similar programs are color-coded and grouped together. This way, you can look at the variety of options in your field. If you are not sure, you can check out each program page to answer questions that might match your talents and interests. For more information, including videos and future career options, please go to [dciu.org/dcts](http://dciu.org/dcts).

## DCTS IS A GOOD OPTION IF:

- You want a head start on your future.
- You want to earn professional credentials.
- You want to earn college credit in high school.

## MORE QUESTIONS?

If you need additional information or would like to visit our school, call one of our campuses and speak with a counselor. They will be happy to answer your questions and set up a visit. Also, please visit our website at [dciu.org/dcts](http://dciu.org/dcts) for more information about our programs and schools. Your current school counselors also know about our programs and may be able to answer many of your questions. They can also help with your application.

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## FREQUENTLY ASKED STUDENT QUESTIONS

### HOW DO STUDENTS APPLY?

Interested students can complete an application with their parent or guardian through our online application program available at [dciu.org/dcts](http://dciu.org/dcts). Students who do not have internet access can complete it with their high school guidance counselor.

### WHAT IS CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION?

Career and Technical Education (CTE) programs offer students the opportunity to enhance their education with valuable workforce skills. CTE links what students learn in the classroom with what they need to succeed in the real world of work.

### CAN TECHNICAL SCHOOL STUDENTS ATTEND COLLEGE IF THEY WISH?

Yes, in fact, experience gained through Career and Technical Education can give students a head start on their college application since their elective credits can follow them to college. If they choose to continue in the same post secondary program of study, they can even qualify for college credits for their work. For more information on earning college credit, see our College Opportunities section. Attending a Career and Technical Education program also helps students form strong career visions, often expressed in college entrance essays. Each year, DCTS students earn competitive and merit scholarships based upon their technical school experiences.



### WHEN CAN A STUDENT APPLY TO DCTS?

DCTS programs start in 10th grade. While most applications are submitted before or during the school's course selection process, DCTS continues to process applications and place applicants provided there is room in the requested program.

### WHAT IS THE COST TO ATTEND DCTS?

There is no tuition cost to attend. All programs require a uniform and certain tools.

### CAN STUDENTS STILL PARTICIPATE IN EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES LIKE SPORTS AND CLUBS?

We encourage students to be involved at their high school and at DCTS! Many students participate in clubs and organizations at their high school. DCTS also offers four Career Student Organizations for students to join!

### HOW WILL STUDENTS GET THE ACADEMIC CREDITS NEEDED TO GRADUATE?

DCTS counts as elective courses. Students will continue to take English, Math, Science, and Social Studies at their high school.

### A DAY IN THE LIFE OF A DCTS STUDENT...

Half of each school day is spent in your chosen DCTS program, and half is spent in academic classes at your high school. Most students take four core academic classes and DCTS is equivalent to elective credits. In your DCTS lab, much of your time will be spent in hands-on work experiences. For example, if a student takes Advertising Design & Commercial Art, the student will spend significant class time creating and designing. If a student is enrolled in Culinary Arts, the student will be learning in a commercial kitchen environment. The work students do in their labs will simulate the actual settings found in their chosen career fields. There is also ample opportunity to get involved in student leadership activities on campus and in Career and Technical Student Organizations (CTSOs). These organizations offer direct connections to careers, plus opportunities for leadership, competitions, awards, and fun! When the day at DCTS is finished, students can also stay involved in activities at their respective high schools.





# CAREER CLUSTERS

Biomedical Technology & Laboratory Sciences  
Dental Occupations  
Emergency & Protective Services  
Exercise Therapy & Sports Science  
Health Sciences  
Medical Careers

## SCHOOL OF HEALTH & BIOSCIENCES

Immersing students in a rich curriculum designed to prepare them to be career and college ready during their training and exploration of various health-related occupations.



## SCHOOL OF CONSTRUCTION TECHNOLOGY

Supports the efforts of students entering the skilled-trades by equipping them with proper safety and work ethic skills. Students apply academic math to real world challenges.

Building Trades  
Carpentry  
Electrical Construction Technology  
Heating, Ventilation, & Air Conditioning (HVAC)  
Welding



Cosmetology  
Culinary Arts  
Early Childhood Education  
Teacher Preparation Academy

## SCHOOL OF HOSPITALITY, TOURISM, & HUMAN SERVICES

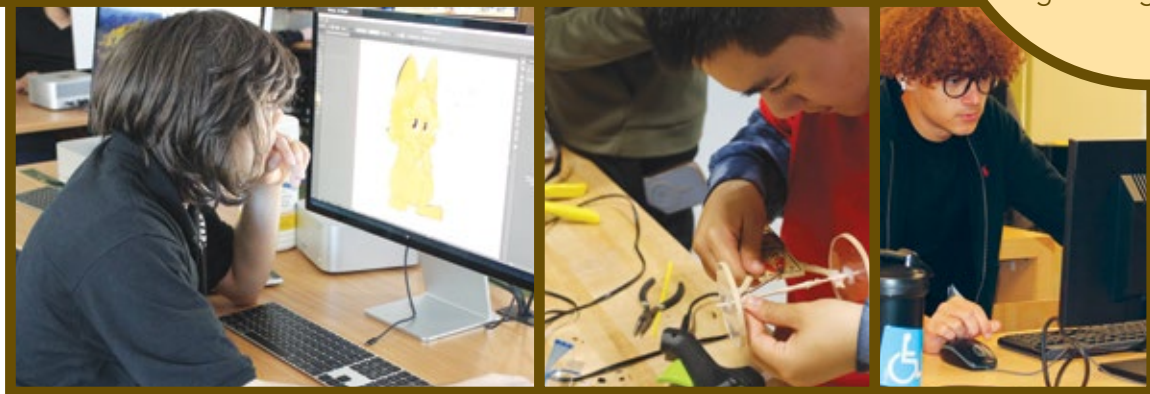
Providing programs that prepare students to enter a variety of different careers in education, culinary arts, hospitality, and cosmetology. Students are prepared for the workforce and opportunities for entrepreneurship and self-employment.



## SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING & COMPUTER SCIENCE

Programs that highlight challenging and fulfilling career pathways in engineering, design, and computer network technologies.

Advertising Design & Commercial Art  
Computer IT Programming & Software Development  
Computer Networking & Digital Forensics  
Engineering & Robotics



## SCHOOL OF LOGISTICS, DISTRIBUTION, & TRANSPORTATION

Offering programs that involve the transportation of passengers and cargo, warehousing & storage of goods, and the supportive activities related to modes of transportation.

Automotive Technology  
Collision Repair Technology  
Logistics & Inventory Management





# Universities & Colleges

## SOAR CREDIT STUDENTS OCCUPATIONALLY & ACADEMICALLY READY



### DUAL ENROLLMENT

The Delaware County Technical High Schools are excited to continue a dual enrollment partnership with Delaware County Community College (DCCC) for several programs. Eligible students have the opportunity to earn college credits and fulfill high school requirements at the same time through dual enrollment.

The Delaware County Technical High Schools are excited to continue a dual enrollment partnership with Delaware County Community College (DCCC) for several programs. We also have a dual enrollment partnership with Immaculata University for Medical Careers and Exercise Therapy & Sports Science. While enrolled in this unique program, courses are taught by your DCTS instructors. DCTS students can also take specific courses with Widener University and earn up to 15 credits.

Through this statewide initiative, students enrolled in career and technical education (CTE) programs have the opportunity to align their high school courses to college programs.

Visit [CollegeTransfer.net](http://CollegeTransfer.net) to check how DCTS programs may transfer into participating colleges, universities, and technical centers.



## LOCAL ARTICULATION AGREEMENTS

Partnerships exist between DCTS programs and post-secondary colleges/universities for college credits. Credits will only transfer to the school the agreement is with. These are not transferable credits. For more information on our agreements, please visit [www.dciu.org/dcts](http://www.dciu.org/dcts).



### Automotive Training Center

- Automotive Technology
- Collision Repair Technology

### Culinary Institute of America

- Culinary Arts

### Delaware Valley University

- Emergency & Protective Services

### Delaware County Community College

- Early Childhood Education
- Teacher Preparation Academy

### Harrisburg University of Science and Technology

- Advertising Design and Commercial Art

### Neumann University

- Advertising Design & Commercial Art
- Automotive Technology
- Biomedical Technology & Laboratory Sciences
- Building Trades
- Carpentry
- Collision Repair Technology
- Computer IT Programming & Software Development
- Computer Networking & Digital Forensics
- Cosmetology
- Culinary Arts
- Dental Technology
- Early Childhood Education
- Electrical Construction Technology
- Emergency & Protective Services
- Engineering Technologies
- Exercise Therapy & Sports Science
- Health Science
- Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning
- Logistics & Inventory Management
- Medical Careers
- Welding

### Northampton Community College

- Automotive Technology

### Pennsylvania Institute of Technology

- Computer Networking & Digital Forensics
- Early Childhood Education
- Emergency & Protective Service
- Engineering Technologies
- Exercise Therapy & Sports Science

### Philadelphia Suburban Training Center (PHCC)

- Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning (HVAC)

### Pittsburgh Technical College

- Advertising Design & Commercial Art
- Biomedical Technology and Laboratory Sciences
- Computer IT Programming & Software Development
- Computer Networking & Digital Forensics
- Culinary Arts
- Electrical Construction Technology
- Emergency & Protective Services
- Health Sciences
- Medical Careers

### Saint Francis University

- Advertising Design & Commercial Art
- Automotive Technology

- Biomedical Technology & Laboratory Sciences
- Building Trades
- Carpentry
- Culinary Arts
- Collision Repair Technology
- Computer Networking & Digital Forensics
- Dental Technology
- Early Childhood Education
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- Emergency & Protective Services
- Engineering Technologies
- Exercise Therapy & Sports Science
- Health Sciences
- Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning (HVAC)
- Logistics & Inventory Management
- Medical Careers

### University of Northwestern Ohio

- Automotive Technology
- Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning (HVAC)

### Walnut Hill College (Restaurant School)

- Culinary Arts





# Career & Technical Student Organizations

Students have the chance to gain additional skills in communication, civic responsibility and competition in all phases of career and technical education through the following organizations:

- SkillsUSA
- Future Health Professionals (HOSA)
- Family, Careers and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA)
- National Technical Honor Society (NTHS)



## Student Services

### INTEGRATED MATH & LITERACY

Academic Integration is a very successful initiative that is well ingrained into the curriculum throughout our school. Math and Literacy coaches work with instructors and students to integrate these subjects into our DCTS programs, reinforcing the theory behind the practice. Through coaching, team teaching, and workshops, students are exposed to math and literacy materials that are specific to their career interest and enhance their professional skills.

### STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES

The Delaware County Technical High Schools provide a continuum of support services for students with special needs. Through collaboration with the CTE Instructors, Student Support staff including special education teachers and instructional assistants provide support to ensure the implementation of Specially Designed Instruction (SDI) per students' Individualized Education Plans (IEPs) to promote student success in the CTE program. Student Support Staff work with IEP teams on transition planning, reviewing student progress, ensuring necessary support for students are in place and in helping IEP teams determine appropriate CTE program placement.



### SCHOOL COUNSELING

In collaboration with each sending school district, students' parents or guardians, and community agencies, DCTS counselors facilitate opportunities for students to develop workplace skills and program knowledge to apply for future employment in their area of study or for post-secondary opportunities.

### SCHOOL TO CAREER PROGRAMS

Delaware County Technical High Schools, in cooperation with Business Education Partners, have established school to career opportunities for all eligible students. Cooperative Education is a unique plan of education designed to integrate classroom learning with supervised, paid work experience. Learning by doing is the key to helping students relate schoolwork to real world employment. Shadowing, Mentoring, Internships, Co-op Work experience, Company Visitations, Guest Speakers and Career Fairs are all designed to provide hands-on experience in a specific career. School to Career programs have proven to help students develop a positive work attitude, increase self-awareness and responsibility, refine career goals and enhance problem-solving skills. Consider School to Career programs as part of your technical school experience!





Whether you start in 10th, 11th, or 12th grade, there are many opportunities and career pathways to explore.





## IS THIS CAREER RIGHT FOR YOU?

- ✔ Do you have the ability and interest to study biology, forensics, and technology?
- ✔ Would you like to analyze DNA fingerprinting?
- ✔ Would you enjoy learning and working in a laboratory science environment?
- ✔ Are you curious about scientific investigation?
- ✔ Do you enjoy leisure activities that focus on solving crimes and mysteries?



# BIOMEDICAL TECHNOLOGY & LABORATORY SCIENCES

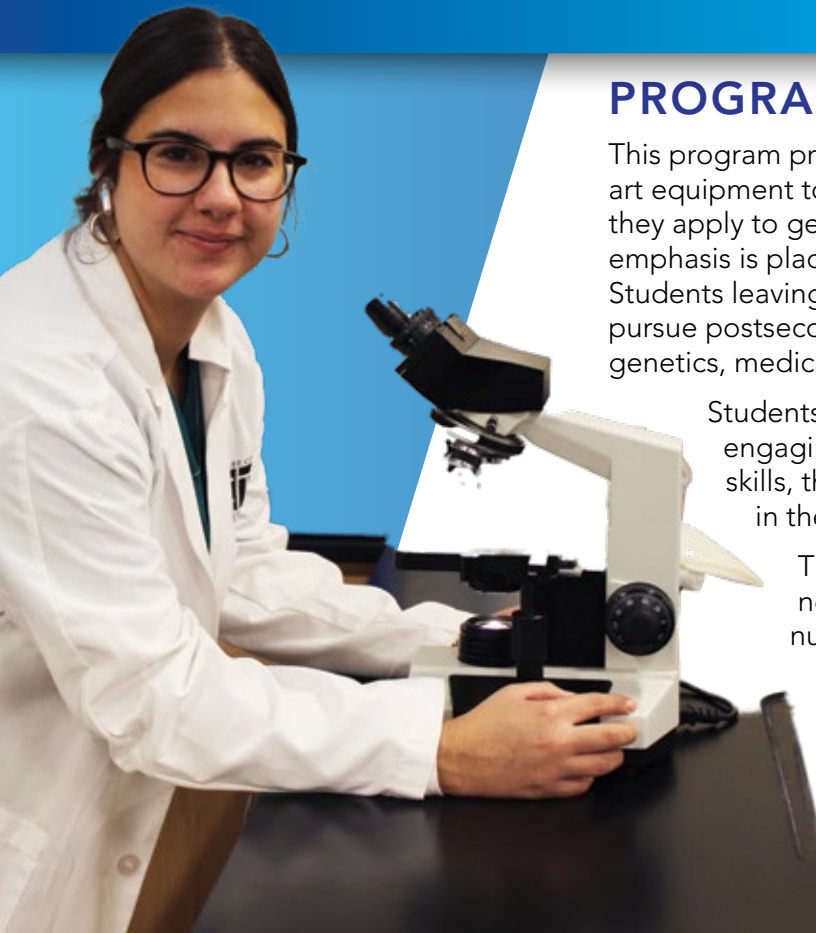
## PROGRAM OVERVIEW

This program provides students with the opportunity to use state-of-the-art equipment to learn the principles of scientific investigation and how they apply to genetic engineering, drug discovery, and medicine. An emphasis is placed on current methods in the Biotechnology industry. Students leaving this program have the strong foundation necessary to pursue postsecondary and career opportunities in biomedical engineering, genetics, medical technology, and molecular and cellular biology.

Students explore the principles of Biotechnology science. By engaging students in experimental design, and various laboratory skills, they learn to use equipment currently in use in laboratories in the pharmaceutical industry, research, and agriculture.

The Bureau of Labor Statistics forecasts an increase in the need for workers in biotechnology due to the growing number of agricultural and medicinal products developed from using biotechnology techniques, with fastest employment growth occurring in the drug manufacturing industry and research/testing firms.

It is strongly recommended that potential students successfully complete Biology, Chemistry and Algebra prior to enrolling in the program.



## INSIDE THE INDUSTRY

OCCUPATION	LOCAL WAGE
Healthcare Technologists & Technicians, all other	\$57,800
Healthcare Practitioners & Technical Workers, all other	\$82,870
Healthcare support worker	\$47,000
Nurse, Other Specialist	\$90,000



## INDUSTRY CERTIFICATIONS

- OSHA-10
- Employability: Interviewing Skills
- CPR/AED
- First Aid





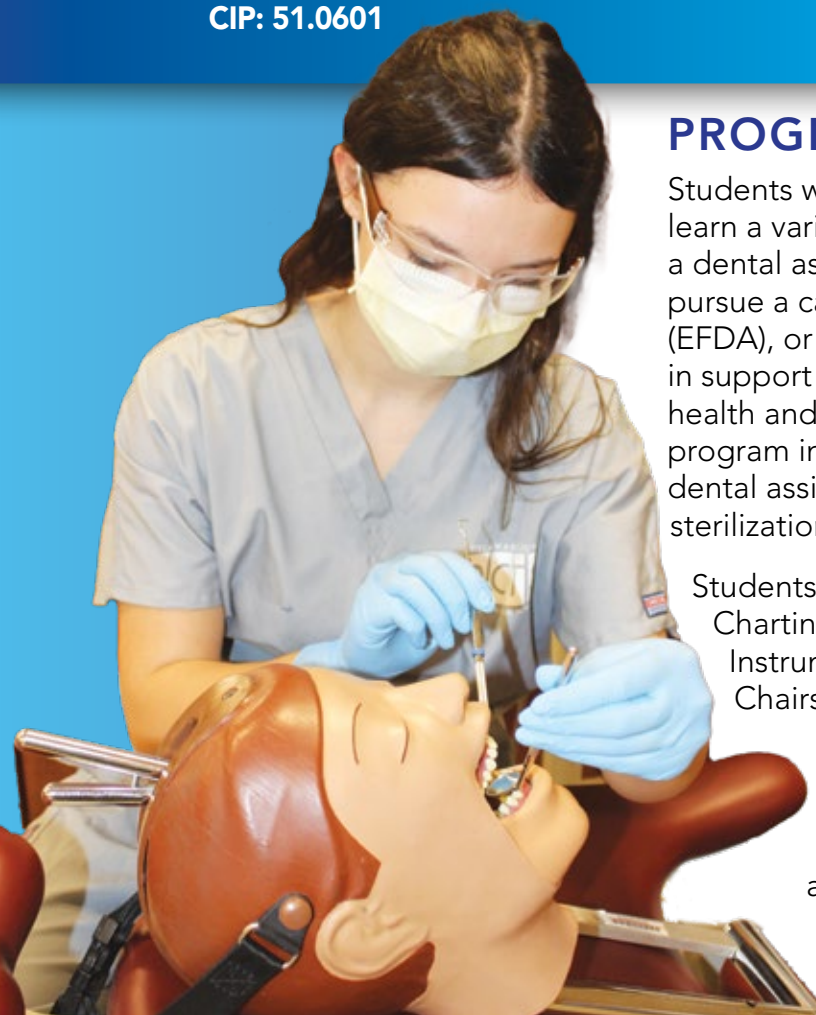
# IS THIS CAREER RIGHT FOR YOU?



- ✔ Would you be comfortable working in the dental field?
- ✔ Do you have the ability to successfully study science?
- ✔ Are you personable and friendly?
- ✔ Do you have strong hand-eye coordination?
- ✔ Are you patient and able to do tasks repetitively?

## DENTAL OCCUPATIONS

CIP: 51.0601



### PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Students who enroll in the Dental Occupations Program learn a variety of skills that will enable them to become a dental assistant, dental laboratory technician, and/or pursue a career as an Expanded Function Dental Assistant (EFDA), or dentist. There is a focus on patient-centered care in support of improving oral health as a key to personal health and well-being. The major areas of study in this program include: dental radiology, oral pathology, chair-side dental assisting, anatomy and physiology, dental materials, sterilization, and dental office business procedures.

Students will be introduced to Dental Anatomy, Dental Charting Systems, Infection Control Procedures, Dental Instruments and Procedures for General Dentistry, Chairside Assisting Techniques, and Radiology Basics.

As students continue in this program, they receive more lectures on advanced dental anatomy, dental software programs, dental specialties, prep for certified dental assisting and radiology Board Exams.



### INSIDE THE INDUSTRY

OCCUPATION	LOCAL WAGE
Dental Assistant	\$55,000
Expanded Functions Dental Assistant	\$75,000
Dental Hygienist	\$98,000
Dental Lab Technician	\$57,300
Dentist, Other Specialist	\$150,000



### INDUSTRY CERTIFICATIONS

OSHA-10

Employability: Interviewing Skills

CPR/AED

Prepare to obtain State Radiology Certification

Prepare to obtain Certified Dental Assistant (CDA) Dental Assisting National Board (DANB) certification\*

\* This program is not accredited by CODA. Graduates will need to work 3500 hours before they are eligible to sit for the exam.





# IS THIS CAREER RIGHT FOR YOU?

- ✔ Do you feel like you work well under pressure?
- ✔ Do you like helping people?
- ✔ Are you a good problem solver?
- ✔ Can you work with individuals and groups?
- ✔ Do you see yourself working in a protective field such as law enforcement, security, emergency rescue, or fire safety?



## EMERGENCY & PROTECTIVE SERVICES CIP: 43.9999

### PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The Emergency and Protective Services program offers a comprehensive public safety education to students interested in pursuing a career or volunteering in Emergency Medical Services (EMS), law enforcement, firefighting, private security, industrial safety or emergency management. Students work with protective service professionals to gain first-hand experience in all areas of these exciting professions. Units of study include firefighting, law enforcement, criminal justice, Emergency Medical Services, 911 communications, corrections, homeland security, report writing, public speaking and physical training.

The EPS program offers several Field Learning Opportunities to students. During these opportunities, students will complete shifts with firefighters, EMT's and nurses on ambulances and in the emergency department with local hospitals and EMS organizations. Students will be able to hone their skills, while responding to real emergencies!



### INSIDE THE INDUSTRY

OCCUPATION	LOCAL WAGE
Emergency Medical Technician & Paramedics	\$46,000
Firefighters	\$63,660
Police & Sheriff's Patrol Officers	\$68,110
Transit and Railroad Police	\$74,030
Animal Control Workers	\$58,990
Paramedic	\$56,000
Security Guards	\$29,680
Crossing Guards	\$29,540
Emergency Management Director	\$76,739
Transportation Security Screeners	\$41,490



### INDUSTRY CERTIFICATIONS

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| National Registry Emergency Medical Technician                            | Federal Emergency Management Agency                                |
| Pennsylvania Department of Health Emergency Medical Technician            | National Incident Management Systems 100, 200, 700 & 800           |
| OSHA-10   | Pennsylvania State Fire Academy Hazardous Materials Awareness      |
| Employability & Interview Skills  | Pennsylvania State Fire Academy: Intro to the Fire Service (PSFA)* |
| American Heart Association Basic Life Support for the Healthcare Provider | PSFA Fireground Support*   |
| American Heart Association Heart Saver First Aid                          | PSFA Exterior Firefighter*   |

\*These are 3 out of 4 requirements for Pennsylvania State Firefighter 1





# IS THIS CAREER RIGHT FOR YOU?

- ✓ Are you interested in fitness and athletic activities?
- ✓ Do you like learning about the human body?
- ✓ Are you personable?
- ✓ Do you like learning about anatomy and nutrition?
- ✓ Are you patient?



## INSIDE THE INDUSTRY

OCCUPATION	LOCAL WAGE
Occupational Therapy Aides	\$32,580
Personal Trainer	\$46,250
Athletic Trainer	\$46,150
Physical Therapist	\$84,620



## INDUSTRY CERTIFICATIONS

- OSHA-10
- Employability: Interviewing Skills
- American Heart Association-Basic Life Support (CPR/AED)
- National Academy of Sports Medicine-Certified Personal Trainer



# EXERCISE THERAPY & SPORTS SCIENCE CIP: 51.2604

## PROGRAM OVERVIEW

This program provides both a theoretical and lab component and is designed for those students whose career objective includes college and a career within the Sports Medicine, Athletic Training, Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Exercise Physiology, Fitness Training, and/or Nutrition fields. Program graduates are prepared to pursue postsecondary education, while developing a foundation of technical knowledge.





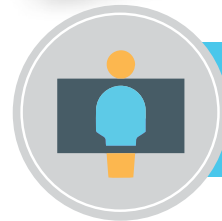
# IS THIS CAREER RIGHT FOR YOU?

- ✔ Do you want to help and care for others?
- ✔ Are you adaptable?
- ✔ Are you good with people?
- ✔ Are you interested in the healthcare field?
- ✔ Can you accurately manage several tasks at the same time?



## HEALTH SCIENCES

CIP: 51.9999



### INSIDE THE INDUSTRY

OCCUPATION	LOCAL WAGE
Patient Care Technician	\$36,500
Healthcare Practitioners & Technical Workers, all other	\$82,870
Medical Assistant	\$38,000
Nurse, Other Specialist	\$83,200



### INDUSTRY CERTIFICATIONS

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|------------------------------------|--|
| First Aid                          | HIPAA  |
| CPR                                | Medical Assistant Certification (CCMA)       |
| Direct Patient Care Provider       | Patient Care Technician Certification (PCTC) |
| OSHA-10                            |  |
| Employability: Interviewing Skills |  |
| Bloodborne Pathogen                |  |

### PROGRAM OVERVIEW

This is a healthcare career exploration program culminating with the opportunity to choose a Medical Assistant or Patient Care Technician pathway. The Health Sciences curriculum is a foundation for all health career pathways.

Medical Assistants work in the offices of physicians, podiatrists, chiropractors, and other health practitioners. They assist physicians and nurses, communicate with patients, take patient history, manage online medical records, measure vital signs, give injections, schedule appointments and obtain lab specimens.

Patient Care Technicians work primarily in a hospital setting. They assist nurses and other team members in providing care to the acute patient. They assist patients with activities of daily living, taking vital signs, and obtain lab specimens.







# IS THIS CAREER RIGHT FOR YOU?

- ✔ Do you have the interest and ability to study science-related courses?
- ✔ Would you be comfortable working in a hospital or healthcare facility?
- ✔ Are you adaptable?
- ✔ Can you think and make decisions quickly?
- ✔ Do you enjoy working with people?

## MEDICAL CAREERS

CIP: 51.9999



### INSIDE THE INDUSTRY

OCCUPATION	LOCAL WAGE
Physician Associate	\$110,000
Physical Therapist	\$101,530
General Practitioner	\$190,000



### INDUSTRY CERTIFICATIONS

- OSHA-10
- Employability: Interviewing Skills
- AHA BLS Provider CPR and AED
- AHA Heartsaver First Aid
- Stop The Bleed
- HIPAA

### PROGRAM OVERVIEW

This program provides students with the opportunity to participate in clinical rotations at their assigned workplaces and observe alongside healthcare professionals while visiting patient rooms. The students observe many health care professionals in most departments or units of the medical facilities to learn how each contributes to caring for patients. Students typically observe in the following departments: Pharmacy, ICU, OR, ER, Lab, PT/OT and many patient care units/areas. This program is offered at several different area hospitals and/or other health care settings.

Students benefit from career-based presentations from an array of healthcare professionals including nurses, physicians, physician associates, physical therapists, medical technologists, pharmacists and other key staff members.

The curriculum includes anatomy, physiology, pathophysiology, medical terminology, safety, infection control and medical law and ethics. Students graduate from the program with a solid understanding of the integral relations of the medical facilities team and a vision of their potential role in the healthcare industry.







# ADVERTISING DESIGN & COMMERCIAL ART

CIP: 50.0402



## PROGRAM OVERVIEW

This program introduces students to the creative design industry. In a world where commercial art has never been more relevant, DCTS Advertising Design and Commercial Art offers students a community in which to develop the conceptual foundation and skills needed for admission to a post-secondary institution to refine their skills. Students learn the fundamentals to finish each project at an entry level. They are introduced to the relevant applications of the Adobe Creative Suite and explore mediums such as print design, electronic design, drawing and illustration.

Students learn the fundamentals to finish each project at a beginner level. They explore graphic design, advertising, print design, illustration, digital photography, and game art & design. Students gain an exceptional amount of knowledge and understanding of creative software such as Adobe Photoshop, Illustrator and InDesign.



## IS THIS CAREER RIGHT FOR YOU?

- ✔ Do you have a strong interest in art?
- ✔ Do you enjoy being creative and exploring the use of different types of media?
- ✔ Do you have the ability and interest to apply technology to your creative endeavors?
- ✔ Do you have interest in the fields of advertising marketing?
- ✔ Are you a good planner and organizer?



## INSIDE THE INDUSTRY

OCCUPATION	LOCAL WAGE
Multimedia Designer	\$70,420
Commercial & Industrial Designer	\$75,650
Graphic Designer	\$51,730
Desktop Publishers	\$51,090



## INDUSTRY CERTIFICATIONS

OSHA-10

Employability: Interviewing Skills





# IS THIS CAREER RIGHT FOR YOU?

- ✔ Do you have the ability and interest to work with computer hardware and software?
- ✔ Do you have the ability and interest to work with and manage data?
- ✔ Would you like to learn the skills needed to operate and maintain computer systems?
- ✔ Could you see yourself being a software developer?



## COMPUTER IT PROGRAMMING & SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT

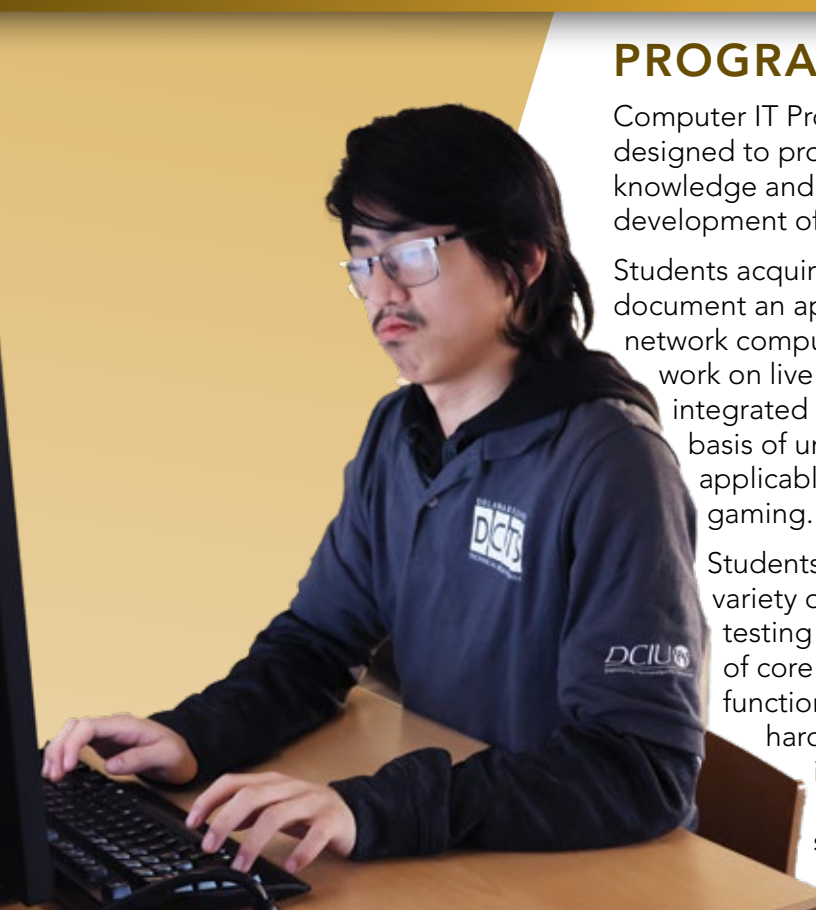
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### PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Computer IT Programming and Software Development curriculum is designed to provide instruction that prepares students to apply technical knowledge and skills to support problem solving and the design and development of software applications.

Students acquire the skills to analyze, design, implement, test, and document an application solution. The students utilize a state-of-the-art network computer system and its associated peripheral equipment to work on live problems, utilizing business software and object-oriented integrated development environments. Concepts delivered provide the basis of understanding in the area of computer programming and are applicable to business applications, mobile applications, and video gaming.

Students will create a relational database, receive instruction in a variety of computer programming languages including writing, testing and debugging code; demonstrating an understanding of core computer concepts to include the internet and the basic functions of business desktop applications; and analyzing common hardware, software and network processes. Students will receive instruction in business ethics and law, economics, office procedures and communications. Students will learn office safety, computer fundamentals, database administration and computer maintenance/troubleshooting.



### INSIDE THE INDUSTRY

OCCUPATION	LOCAL WAGE
Computer User Support Specialist	\$51,160
Electrical & Electronic Engineering Technicians	\$52,810
Search Engine Optimization Specialist	\$51,965
Computer Programmer	\$84,880



### INDUSTRY CERTIFICATIONS

OSHA-10

Employability: Interviewing Skills





## IS THIS CAREER RIGHT FOR YOU?

- ✔ Do you have the ability and interest to work with technology?
- ✔ Are you logical and curious about computers?
- ✔ Are you organized and attentive to details?
- ✔ Do you have an interest in developing and maintaining computer networks?

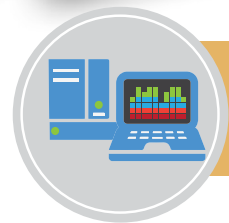


# COMPUTER NETWORKING & DIGITAL FORENSICS

CIP: 11.0901

### PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The Computer Networking & Digital Forensics curriculum centers on networks and the computer devices that comprise a typical network, including building, maintaining, and supporting computer network systems forming the foundation for beginning a career in Information Technology. With a solid understanding of network fundamentals, a variety of careers related to information technology are possible. The industry career focus in the program is on desktop support, network engineering, digital forensics, and IT security. Industry certifications align with CompTIA including IT Fundamentals, A+, Network+ and Security+. Additionally, there is a copper-based certification. Computer based training certifications also include routing and switching. Upon achieving the skills and certifications offered in the program, students are competitive for entry level employment in Information Technology as well as many post-secondary colleges or universities.



### INSIDE THE INDUSTRY

OCCUPATION	LOCAL WAGE
Information Security Analysis	\$103,350
Web Developers	\$70,240
Electrical & Electronic Engineering Technicians	\$52,810
Network & Computer Systems Administrator	\$87,520
Computer Network Architects	\$115,180
Computer Network Specialist	\$65,730



### INDUSTRY CERTIFICATIONS

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|------------------------------------|--|
| OSHA-10                            | TestOut Security Pro                             |
| Employability: Interviewing Skills | CompTIA Security+                                |
| TestOut IT Fundamentals Pro        | TestOut Routing and Switching Pro                |
| TestOut Client Pro                 | Cisco Certified Entry Network Technician (CCENT) |
| CompTIA IT Fundamentals            | Network Cabling Specialist                       |
| TestOut PC Pro                     | AccessData Certified Examiner (ACE)              |
| CompTIA A+                         |  |
| TestOut Network Pro                |  |
| CompTIA Network+                   |  |







## IS THIS CAREER RIGHT FOR YOU?

- ✔ Are you logical and analytical?
- ✔ Can you solve problems?
- ✔ Do you enjoy programming robots?
- ✔ Do you prefer project based learning or activities?
- ✔ Do you practice critical thinking skills?

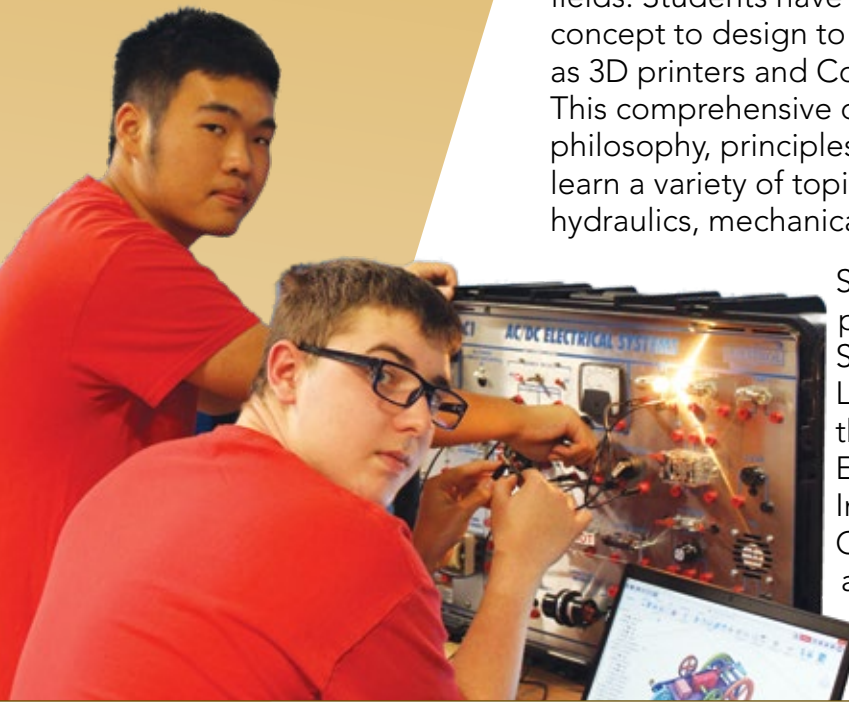
# ENGINEERING & ROBOTICS

CIP: 15.9999

### PROGRAM OVERVIEW

This program prepares students for high-demand, life sustaining, STEM careers in the engineering and advanced manufacturing fields. Students have the opportunity to take an invention from concept to design to production by utilizing hi-tech equipment such as 3D printers and Computer Numerical Control (CNC) machines. This comprehensive curriculum covers topics such as engineering philosophy, principles, ethics, safety and quality control. Students learn a variety of topics, including computer-aided design, electronics, hydraulics, mechanical drawing, robotics, and precision measurement.

Students in the Engineering Technologies program have the opportunity to complete STEM- enhanced curriculum through five Project Lead The Way (PLTW) modules. Students have the opportunity to choose from Introduction to Engineering, Principles of Engineering, Computer Integrated Manufacturing, Digital Electronics, Civil Engineering & Architecture. Students are introduced to problem solving, learning about engineering principles, teamwork, and Computer-Aided Design (CAD).



### INSIDE THE INDUSTRY

OCCUPATION	LOCAL WAGE
Electro-Mechanical Technicians	\$57,300
Engineering Technicians	\$68,470
Robotics Technicians	\$50,000
Robotics Operators	\$31,671
Electrical Engineer	\$91,710

### INDUSTRY CERTIFICATIONS

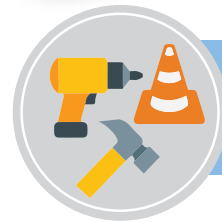
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 Employability: Interviewing Skills





# IS THIS CAREER RIGHT FOR YOU?

- ✔ Do you enjoy working with your hands?
- ✔ Do you like working with hand tools and power tools?
- ✔ Do you have an interest in carpentry, masonry, roofing, and drywall application?
- ✔ Is math one of your favorite subjects?
- ✔ Would you like to work with home or industrial construction needs?



## INSIDE THE INDUSTRY

OCCUPATION	LOCAL WAGE
Maintenance & Repair Workers, General	\$48,150
Construction, Workers, General	\$46,000
Property Manager	\$67,000
Supervisor, Construction	\$82,000



## INDUSTRY CERTIFICATIONS

- OSHA-10
- Employability: Interviewing Skills
- National Center for Construction Education and Research (NCCER) Construction Technology
- National Center for Construction Education and Research (NCCER) Core



# BUILDING TRADES

CIP: 46.0401

## PROGRAM OVERVIEW

This program teaches general construction skills and knowledge necessary to build a house. Practical experience and classroom training prepares students enrolled in the Building Trades program for employment in general construction or property maintenance. Students are taught carpentry, electrical units, masonry, plumbing, roofing, drywall application, and framing/finishing.

Students learn basic safety, the use of hand tools and power tools, and construction technology. Students explore floor systems, wall systems, ceiling joists, and roof joists. They also learn plumbing with copper tubing and fittings.

Students learn about exterior finishes, basic stair layout, electrical safety, residential electrical work, and PVC plumbing for drains, waste, and vents. Also, the opportunity is provided to students for creating a National Occupational Competency Testing Institute (NOCTI) box for their exam.





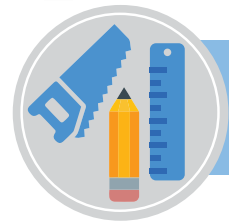


# IS THIS CAREER RIGHT FOR YOU?

- ✔ Do you enjoy working with your hands?
- ✔ Do you like building things?
- ✔ Do you like working with hand tools and power tools?
- ✔ Do you think you would enjoy working everyday with wood?
- ✔ Are you good with basic math and measuring?
- ✔ Do you pay close attention to detail?

## CARPENTRY

CIP: 46.0201



### INSIDE THE INDUSTRY

OCCUPATION	LOCAL WAGE
Helpers - Carpenters	\$32,360
Carpenters	\$66,440
Lead Carpenters & Foremen	\$74,000
Supervisor, Construction	\$82,000



### INDUSTRY CERTIFICATIONS

OSHA-10  
 Employability: Interviewing Skills



### PROGRAM OVERVIEW

This program provides students the opportunity to learn building layout, framing, roofing, window and door installation, and finish trim work. On-site projects include the use of hand and power tools to do building layout, flooring, framing and wall construction, roofing, and the application of exterior and interior finishes. Upon graduation, students can continue their education through local union apprenticeships, a variety of partnering college programs, or the Association of Builders and Contractors.

Through this project-based program, students learn about hand and power tool safety, measuring, layout, basic blueprint reading, basic wood joints, and material sizing. Additionally, they learn basic trim methods, advanced framing methods, interior trim package installation, exterior, roofing, window and door installation, blueprint reading, and estimation.

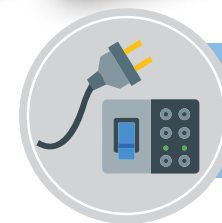
Advancement in the program means students will be eligible to increase their knowledge on roof framing, building layout, advanced exterior finishes, advanced interior finishes, blueprint reading, deck construction, and advanced estimation.





# IS THIS CAREER RIGHT FOR YOU?

- ✔ Do you like the challenge of detailed puzzles?
- ✔ Are you good with math and measuring?
- ✔ Do you think you would enjoy the stability of working everyday with electricity?



## INSIDE THE INDUSTRY

OCCUPATION	LOCAL WAGE
Supervisor - Construction Trades & Extraction Workers	\$87,520
Electricians	\$81,210
Helpers - Electricians	\$39,120
Supervisors - Mechanics, Installers & Repairers	\$74,290
Security & Fire Alarms System Installers	\$48,180
Electrical Power Line Installers & Repairers	\$85,950
Signal & Track Switch Repairers	\$69,770



## INDUSTRY CERTIFICATIONS

OSHA-10

Employability: Interviewing Skills

Ladder Safety Training provided by the American Ladder Institute

S/P2 - Construction

# ELECTRICAL CONSTRUCTION TECHNOLOGY

CIP: 46.0399

## PROGRAM OVERVIEW

This program provides students with an introduction to the basic concepts of residential and commercial wiring. With an emphasis on safety, students install circuits, switches, conductors, circuit breakers, and other electrical devices. Topics covered include selecting and ordering materials, key supplies and tools, codes, blueprint reading, and low voltage wiring. Students are taught in compliance with the National Electrical Code (NEC) and the Residential Construction Academy (RCA) industry standards. Students begin working toward their RCA and OSHA 10 certifications immediately.

When students first explore this program, they learn safety, tools, residential wiring, blueprints, circuitry, devices, raceways, bending, OHM's Law, and work to complete OSHA 10. As students continue in the program, they attain employability skills. Students gain more in-depth knowledge with respect to safety & tools, commercial wiring, review of blueprints, devices, raceways, bending conduit, panels, disconnects, and circuitry.





## IS THIS CAREER RIGHT FOR YOU?

- ✔ Do you enjoy working with your hands?
- ✔ Do you like working with tools?
- ✔ Do you like doing repair work and connecting different components to existing systems?
- ✔ Do you think you would enjoy working everyday with heating and cooling systems?
- ✔ Are you good with basic math and measuring?
- ✔ Are you able to pay close attention to detail?



### INSIDE THE INDUSTRY

OCCUPATION	LOCAL WAGE
Solar Photovoltaic Installers	\$49,700
Heating, Air Conditioning & Refrigeration Mechanics & Installers	\$61,200
HVAC Service Managers	\$75,250



### INDUSTRY CERTIFICATIONS

- OSHA-10
- Employability: Interviewing Skills
- EPA 608 - Environmental Protection Agency Certification
- Universal R-410-A Safety & Training, Ladder Certifications provided by the American Ladder Institute

# HEATING, VENTILATION & AIR CONDITIONING (HVAC)

CIP: 47.0201

## PROGRAM OVERVIEW

HVAC professionals are instrumental in ensuring that homes and buildings function properly on a daily basis.

The HVAC Technology program introduces students to the basic concepts of residential and commercial work. With an emphasis on safety, students work with copper, black pipe, electric, and full HVAC systems.

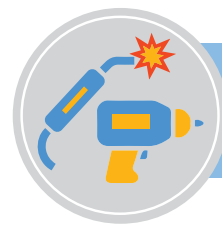
Topics covered include selecting and ordering materials, supplies, tools, codes, blueprint reading, and low voltage wiring. Students learn about safety, tools, residential work, blueprints, and basic HVAC systems. Students are taught in compliance with the International Code Council (ICC) Mechanical, Fuel Gas Code and the Residential Construction Academy (RCA) industry standards.





# IS THIS CAREER RIGHT FOR YOU?

- ✔ Do you like working with your hands?
- ✔ Would you be comfortable using tools that require strong attention to safety?
- ✔ Could you spend everyday working with a variety of different welding techniques?
- ✔ Do you have good eye-hand coordination?
- ✔ Do you have strong math skills?
- ✔ Are you precise?



## INSIDE THE INDUSTRY

OCCUPATION	LOCAL WAGE
Welder/Fabricator	\$70,000
Union Welder	\$83,000
Millwright	\$95,000
Iron Worker	\$89,000



## INDUSTRY CERTIFICATIONS

OSHA-10  
 Employability: Interviewing Skills  
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# WELDING

CIP: 48.0508

## PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The welding industry can be extremely rewarding due to the fact that employers have a constant need for skilled welders. Welding is used in manufacturing, construction and many other industries. In the Welding Technology program, students are taught oxy-fuel gas cutting principles and practices, arc cutting principles and practices, and welding inspection and testing principles. Welding Technology students research careers in the welding field and learn how to weld in all positions. Further, they learn how to interpret blueprints and layout projects from cutting to tacking to full completion of projects. Students learn about precision cuts in steel plates using superheated gases and learn how steel is formed from a liquid to solid. Students also gain hands-on training in a variety of welding procedures including shielded metal arc welding (STICK), gas metal arc welding (MIG), flux cored arc welding (FCAW) and gas tungsten arc welding (TIG).

In this program, students learn how to use the proper equipment for testing welds, destruction, and hardness testing. They gain experience in reading and understanding manuals and specification charts for the welding process. The students learn how to use grinders and chemical baths for surface cleaning, proper clamping techniques, and welding standards established by the American Welding Society.





## IS THIS CAREER RIGHT FOR YOU?

- ✔ Do you like working with your hands?
- ✔ Do the different fundamentals of cosmetology interest you?
- ✔ Are you creative?
- ✔ Do you enjoy math and science?



### INSIDE THE INDUSTRY

OCCUPATION	LOCAL WAGE
Hairdressers, Hairstylists & Cosmetologists	\$37,530
Makeup Artists, Theatrical & Performance	\$67,570
Skincare Specialist	\$42,000

# COSMETOLOGY

CIP: 12.0401

## PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The Cosmetology program focuses on the fundamentals of the profession. This enables students to confidently begin working with hair, skin and nails early in their training. Technical skill development blends with applied sciences to guide them toward a successful career as a salon professional. During this three-year, 1250-hour training program, students learn hair sculpture, color application, chemical texture, and skin and nail procedures. Students study a wide variety of scientific applications, such as the chemistry of cosmetics, biology, human anatomy, and physiology. Upon completion, graduates are fully prepared to take the Pennsylvania State Board of Cosmetology examination.

Students learn the history and career opportunities of Cosmetology. Topics of study include Life Skills, Professional Image, Communicating for Success, Infection Control: Principles and Practices, Basics of Electricity, Properties of the Hair and Scalp, Principles of Hair Design, Scalp Care, Shampooing & Conditioning, Hairstyling, Braiding and Extensions, Hair Cutting, Hair Removal, Facials, Make-up, Manicuring, and Pedicuring.

**Students must successfully complete the 1250 hour training program to qualify for the Pennsylvania State Board of Cosmetology Examination.**



## INDUSTRY CERTIFICATIONS

- OSHA-10
- Employability: Interviewing Skills
- Cosmetology License
- Barbicide Certification





## IS THIS CAREER RIGHT FOR YOU?

- ✔ Do you have a passion for preparing food and other tasks related to culinary arts?
- ✔ Do you like to be creative and try new things?
- ✔ Do you have good math and measuring skills?
- ✔ Can you manage several tasks at the same time?



### INSIDE THE INDUSTRY

OCCUPATION	LOCAL WAGE
Supervisors -Food Preparation & Serving Workers	\$45,000
Cooks, Institution & Cafeteria	\$35,000
Restaurant Cook	\$34,000
Cooks, Short Order	\$34,000
Head Chef	\$61,000



### INDUSTRY CERTIFICATIONS

- OSHA-10
- Employability: Interviewing Skills
- ServSafe Certification

## CULINARY ARTS

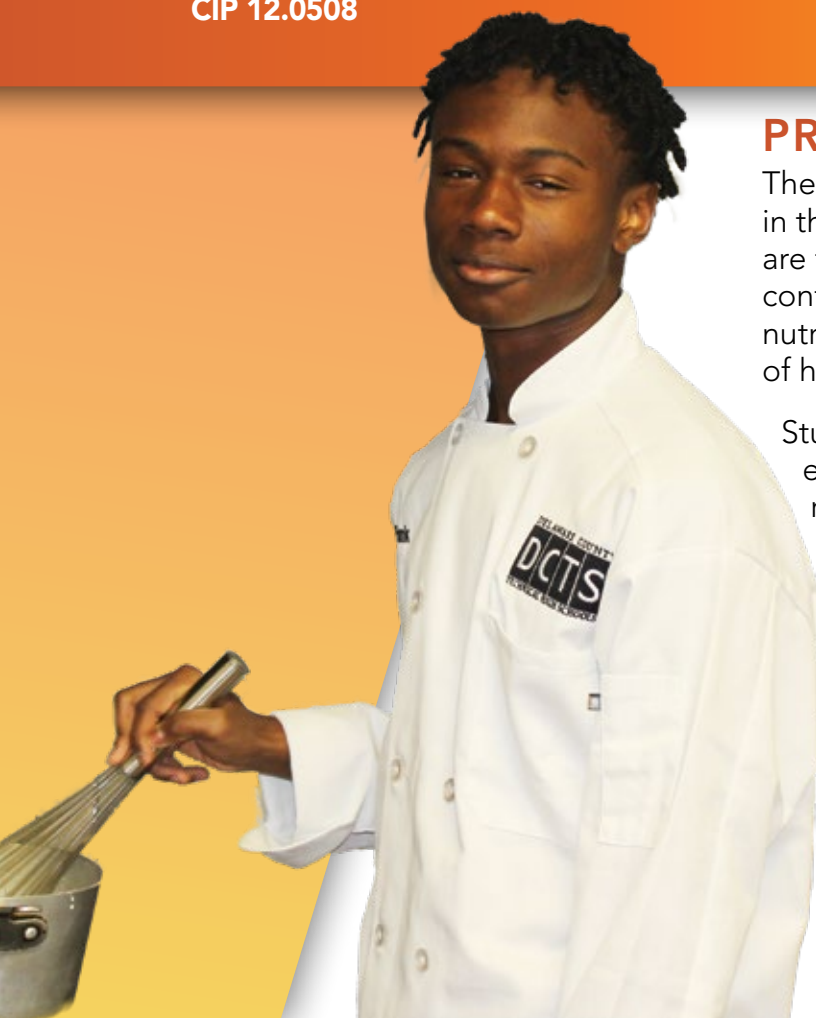
CIP 12.0508

### PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The Culinary Arts program prepares students for success in the food service and hospitality industry. Students are taught food preparation, dining service, inventory control, safety, and sanitation. Students also learn nutrition, healthy cooking, equipment identification, use of hand tools, and culinary vocabulary.

Students prepare soups and sauces, breakfast entrées, sandwich production, pies, cakes, yeast-raised products, entrée preparation, international dishes, vegetable preparation, garnishing, salads, and dressings. Students may seek immediate employment, enter an apprentice program or continue culinary or management studies at the post-secondary level. Culinary Arts is a creative program for students to learn teamwork, different techniques, and preparation skills. Students learn safety and sanitation efficiency as well as hospitality services.

Students are able to participate in Careers through Culinary Arts Program (C-CAP) and obtain different scholarship opportunities that are available.







## IS THIS CAREER RIGHT FOR YOU?

- ✔ Do you love to be around children?
- ✔ Does working around children bring out your best qualities?
- ✔ Do you communicate well?
- ✔ Are you organized?
- ✔ Can you work with individuals and groups?
- ✔ Can you work independently without constant direction?



### INSIDE THE INDUSTRY

OCCUPATION	LOCAL WAGE
Education Administration, Preschool & Childcare Center/Program	\$42,340
Preschool Teachers	\$34,000
Preschool Teacher Assistants	\$24,000
Elementary School Teacher	\$63,900



### INDUSTRY CERTIFICATIONS

- OSHA-10
- Employability: Interviewing Skills
- CDA Ready
- First Aid/CPR
- Mandated Reporter Training



# EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

CIP: 19.0708

## PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The Early Childhood program prepares students for careers in early childhood education and teaching. Students learn the physical, intellectual, social and emotional characteristics of young children plus techniques to guide young children and create a safe, healthy learning environment. The program prepares individuals to be primary providers of home, family, residential, or institutional-based child care services. Includes instruction in child growth and development, nutrition, recreation, planning and supervision of play and learning activities, child abuse and neglect prevention, parent-child relationships, and applicable legal and administrative requirements. Students in this course will be taught how to prepare for a career in the Early Childhood field and for advancement to higher education.

Students develop and prepare classroom lesson plans and learning experiences while working with the Head Start children enrolled in the DCIU Aston Head Start program.

Students participate in job shadowing at area preschools and seniors are eligible for paid work experience through the Cooperative Industrial Education program. They also prepare for the Child Development Associate Assessment, a credential that allows the student to be a group teacher in a preschool in specific Pennsylvania centers as well as most other states and earn college credits through area colleges.







## IS THIS CAREER RIGHT FOR YOU?

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- ✔ Do you communicate well?
- ✔ Are you organized?
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# TEACHER PREPARATION ACADEMY



### PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The Teacher Preparation Academy prepares students for careers in teaching. Students learn the physical, intellectual, social and emotional characteristics of children and teenagers including knowledge and skills to guide learning and create a safe, healthy learning environment. The program prepares individuals to successfully enter a teacher preparation program at a college or university. Includes instruction in child/adolescent growth and development, activity/lesson planning, and opportunities for observations/field experience in a school setting. Students in this course will be taught how to prepare for a career in teaching and for advancement to higher education.

Students develop and prepare classroom lesson plans and learning experiences while working with elementary, middle, and high school settings in Delaware County.

Students participate in job shadowing at area schools and seniors may be eligible for paid work experience through the Cooperative Education program. The program is aligned with a number of college programs through articulation agreement and dual enrollment agreements.



### INSIDE THE INDUSTRY

OCCUPATION	LOCAL WAGE
Elementary School Teacher	\$63,900
Middle School Teacher	\$63,900
High School Teacher	\$63,900
Special Education Teacher	\$63,900
Educational Specialist	\$70,000



### INDUSTRY CERTIFICATIONS

- OSHA-10
- Employability: Interviewing Skills
- First Aid/CPR
- School Safety/Mandated Reporter Training

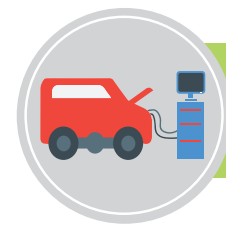






## IS THIS CAREER RIGHT FOR YOU?

- ✔ Do you have a general interest in cars?
- ✔ Would you like to learn the engineering aspects of automobiles?
- ✔ Do you feel comfortable working with tools?
- ✔ Do you enjoy working with mechanical, electrical, and computer systems?
- ✔ Do you have a mechanical aptitude?



### INSIDE THE INDUSTRY

OCCUPATION	LOCAL WAGE
Electronic Equipment Installers & Repairers, Motor Vehicles	\$44,000
Automotive Service Technicians & Mechanics	\$48,000
Automotive Product Specialists	\$44,000
Supervisor, Mechanics	\$75,000



### INDUSTRY CERTIFICATIONS

- OSHA-10
- Employability: Interviewing Skills
- SP/2
- Toyota Tecs Program Certifications
- Subaru-U Certifications
- Ford Automotive Career Exploration (ACE) Certifications



# AUTOMOTIVE TECHNOLOGY

CIP: 47.0604

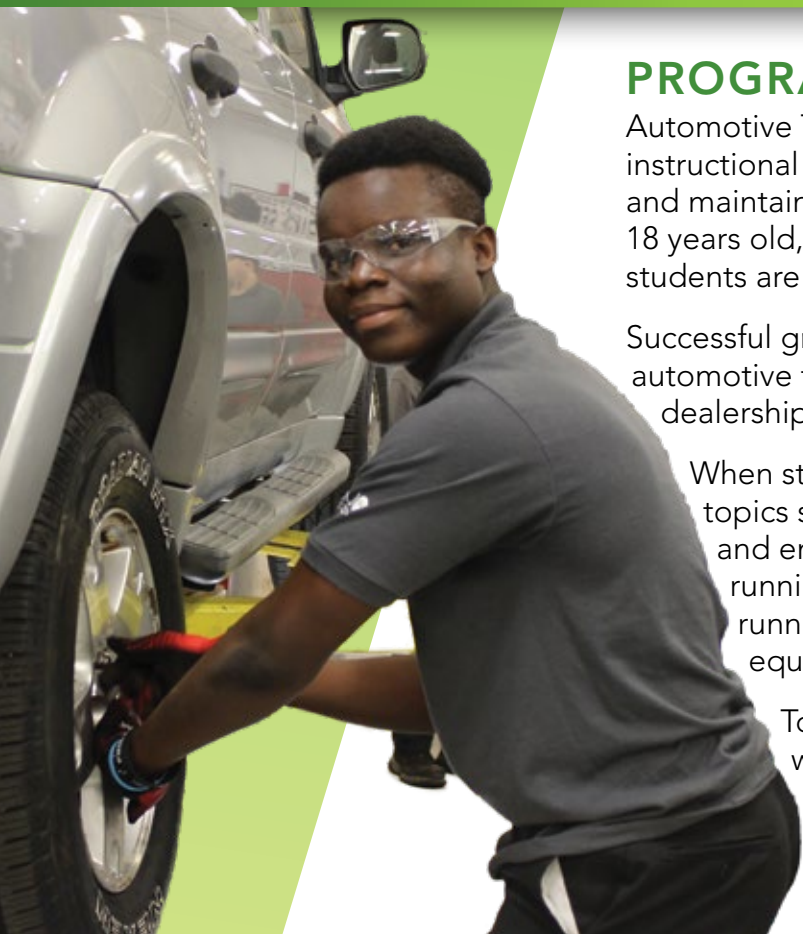
## PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Automotive Technology is a recognized NATEF/ASE accredited instructional program that emphasizes skills to diagnose, service and maintain all types of automobiles. Upon graduation, turning 18 years old, and following one year of employment in the field, students are eligible to take the automotive NATEF/ASE exam.

Successful graduates of this program are qualified to enter the automotive field as entry-level service technicians in new car dealerships or related automotive businesses.

When students start in the program, they are introduced to topics such as brakes, steering and suspension, electrical, and engine performance. If students believe a smooth-running engine is a beautiful sound, and want to keep cars running that way while using the most up-to-date tools and equipment, that student is in the right place!

To be successful, students should be ready to work with constantly changing technology. They have the opportunity to put that knowledge to use with their hands in a timely manner to repair vehicles.





# IS THIS CAREER RIGHT FOR YOU?

- ✔ Have an interest in cars?
- ✔ Would you like to learn the engineering aspect of automobiles?
- ✔ Are you interested in body repair work and applying paint finishes?
- ✔ Do you enjoy mechanical, electrical, or computer systems?
- ✔ Do you have a mechanical aptitude?



## INSIDE THE INDUSTRY

OCCUPATION	LOCAL WAGE
Automotive Body & Related Repairs	\$53,000
Automotive Glass Installers & Repairers	\$37,000
Painters, Transportation Equipment	\$59,490
Supervisor, Mechanics & Repairers	\$73,000

## INDUSTRY CERTIFICATIONS

OSHA-10  
 Employability: Interviewing Skills



# COLLISION REPAIR TECHNOLOGY

CIP: 47.0603

## PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The Collision Repair Technology course is based on an occupational analysis of the auto body field and reflects the entry-level job requirements of Inter-Industry Conference on Auto Collision Repair (I-CAR) and the Automotive Collision Technology standards. The Collision Repair Technology program is designed to give each student the knowledge, understanding and training needed to secure a position in the collision repair field and/or enter a post-secondary institution.

Using state-of-the-art equipment, students are taught metal arc welding/cutting, metal repair, corrosion protection, masking, refinishing, undercoating, unibody inspection, and detailing. They are also taught safety compliance, proper use of tools, and equipment identification. Additionally, students learn details of electrical systems and suspensions, and continuously review safety resources, refinishing, and basic welding.







## IS THIS CAREER RIGHT FOR YOU?

- ✓ Are you organized?
- ✓ Can you multi-task and keep track of details?
- ✓ Would you like working in a warehouse environment?
- ✓ Would you be comfortable learning how to operate a forklift?
- ✓ Would you like to do inventory tracking?

# LOGISTICS & INVENTORY MANAGEMENT

CIP: 52.0203



## INSIDE THE INDUSTRY

OCCUPATION	LOCAL WAGE
Industrial Production Managers	\$140,960
Transportation, Storage & Distribution Managers	\$120,090
Logisticians	\$91,390
Supervisors - Helpers, Laborers & Materials Movers	\$47,360
Supervisors - Tran & Material - moving Machine/Vehicle Oprs.	\$59,060



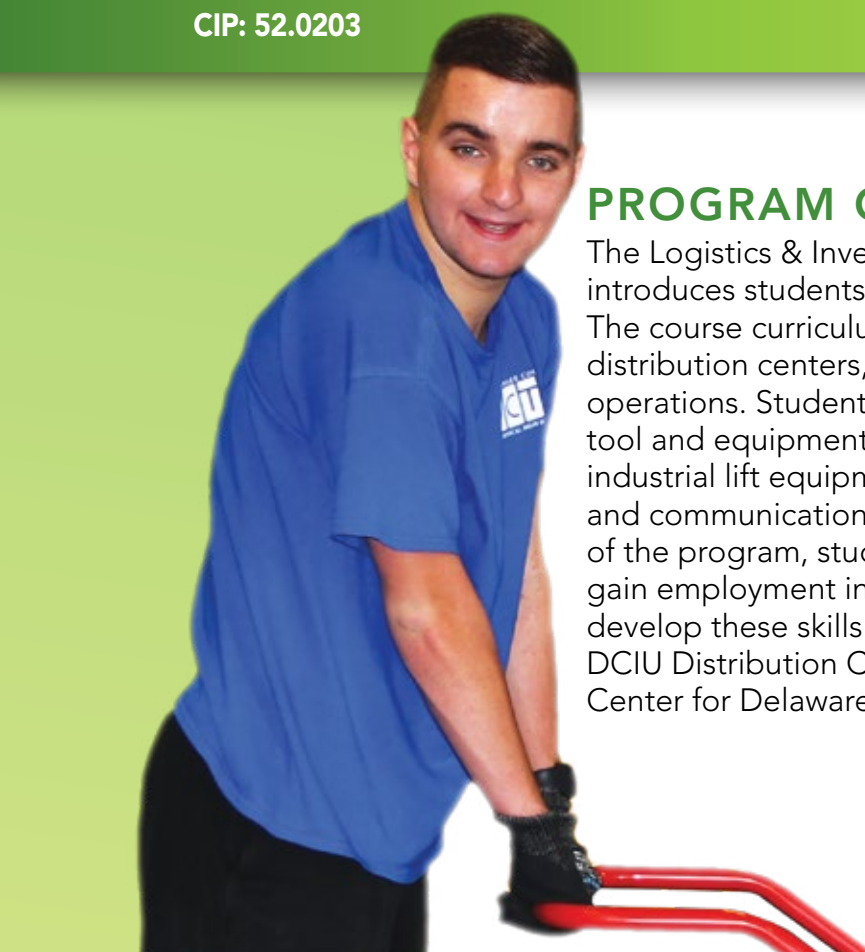
## INDUSTRY CERTIFICATIONS

OSHA-10  
 Employability: Interviewing Skills  
 Forklift Certification



### PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The Logistics & Inventory Management program introduces students to the field of supply chain. The course curriculum prepares students to work in distribution centers, warehouses, and material handling operations. Students learn safety standard compliance, tool and equipment identification, operation of industrial lift equipment, use of technology, data entry, and communication skills. Upon successful completion of the program, students have the necessary skills to gain employment in the field of supply chain. Students develop these skills while managing and operating the DCIU Distribution Center, the Science Kit Refurbishment Center for Delaware County.







# APPLICATION AVAILABLE ONLINE AT WWW.DCIU.ORG/DCTS ADMISSION APPLICATION

APPLICATION MUST BE SUBMITTED ONLINE THROUGH THE DCTS APPLICATION SYSTEM.  
THE APPLICATION BELOW IS SIMILAR TO THE DCTS ONLINE APPLICATION SYSTEM.

### STUDENT WRITING SAMPLE

Writing sample must be between 100 and 200 words.

### WHY ARE YOU APPLYING TO DCTS?

### STUDENT INFORMATION (PLEASE PRINT)

PA Secure ID# \_\_\_\_\_  
(provided by district counselor)

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ MI: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Birthdate: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Male  Female  Undetermined  Are you a US Citizen? Yes  No

Student's Birthplace: \_\_\_\_\_ Student resides with:  Parent  Guardian  Other: \_\_\_\_\_  
Country, City and State

Current School: \_\_\_\_\_ Current Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ Current School District: \_\_\_\_\_

#### PLEASE IDENTIFY WHICH BEST DESCRIBES YOUR RACE AND/OR ETHNICITY:

Please note that we ask you to voluntarily complete this question. This information is not used in determining your admission to DCTS and you are not penalized for failure to provide the data.

- Ethnicity (choose one)
- Hispanic/Latino  American Indian/Alaskan Native  Multi-Racial/Two or more races (not Hispanic)
- Not Hispanic/Not Latino  Black/African American  Asian  Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander
- White  White

#### I AM INTERESTED IN THE FOLLOWING CAREER PROGRAMS:

First choice: \_\_\_\_\_ Second choice: \_\_\_\_\_ Third choice: \_\_\_\_\_

#### HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT US? Check any that apply:

- Received brochure in mail  Attended School Assembly  Referred by friend/family  Referred by Student Support
- Website  Attended TechFest/Community Day Events  Referred by Guidance Counselor  Newspaper/Magazine/Online Ad
- Attended a DCTS Camp

### PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION (PLEASE PRINT)

Primary Contact: \_\_\_\_\_ Daytime Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
FIRST NAME LAST NAME RELATIONSHIP (REQUIRED)

Secondary Contact: \_\_\_\_\_ Daytime Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
FIRST NAME LAST NAME RELATIONSHIP

### PARENT/GUARDIAN CONTRACT

- I, the parent/guardian of \_\_\_\_\_, do hereby understand the following:
- In order to attend the Delaware County Technical High Schools, a student must have successfully completed the 8th grade. Students must be 14 years old to enroll in the exploratory program and 15 years old to register in a DCTS career program.
  - Bus Transportation is provided by local school districts at no charge. Transportation arrangements must be made through the school district. Students who drive to DCTS must register for a permit at DCTS on the first day of school.
  - Photographs and/or videotapes of my child may be used for publicity or recruitment purposes. If you do not give your permission, please sign here. \_\_\_\_\_
  - I understand that while enrolled in DCTS my child will use a variety of technology resources, including the internet, as part of his/her total educational experience.
  - I hereby give permission to release all school records to DCTS.
  - I agree to encourage effort, punctuality and attendance. I also agree to provide lab clothing as required, and I understand that such items are the personal property of the student, who must be responsible for their safekeeping.

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

### TO BE COMPLETED BY DISTRICT COUNSELORS

**Advanced Academic Courses:** Please check the course this student has passed thus far during secondary school(grades 7-12)

- LANGUAGE ARTS**
- AP English  Other \_\_\_\_\_
- College Prep English  MATH  Pre-Calculus
- Foreign Language  Algebra \_\_\_\_\_ I \_\_\_\_\_ II  Calculus
- \_\_\_\_\_ 1 \_\_\_\_\_ 2  Geometry  AP Calculus
- Trigonometry  Other \_\_\_\_\_  SCIENCE  AP Biology
- AP Physics  AP Physics

#### Please confirm attachments and student status:

- Application completed  Copy of current report card attached  IEP/RR (if applicable) - Please note a DCTS student support representative must participate at an IEP meeting prior to application
- Attendance record for current school year attached  Student essay attached  English Language Learner
- Transcripts attached  8th Grade PSSA Scores  504 Plan
- Keystone Algebra 1 and Literature Scores  Student discipline record  Gifted

**All of the above items must be completed for applications to be processed.**

District Counselor Name (Print) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

### TELL US ABOUT YOUR EDUCATIONAL INTERESTS AND GOALS

### EQUAL RIGHTS AND OPPORTUNITIES POLICY

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# GAIN EXPERIENCES

## SCHOOL TO CAREER PROGRAMS

Delaware County Technical High Schools, in cooperation with Business Education Partners, have established school to career opportunities for all eligible students. Cooperative Education is a unique plan for education designed to integrate classroom learning with supervised, paid work experience. Learning by doing is the key to helping students relate schoolwork to real world employment. School to Career programs have proven to help students develop a positive work attitude, increase self-awareness and responsibility, refine career goals, and enhance problem-solving skills.



**JOB SHADOWING & MENTORING** allows students to visit a place of employment and observe exactly what trained professionals in their career area do on a daily basis.

## COOPERATIVE EDUCATION

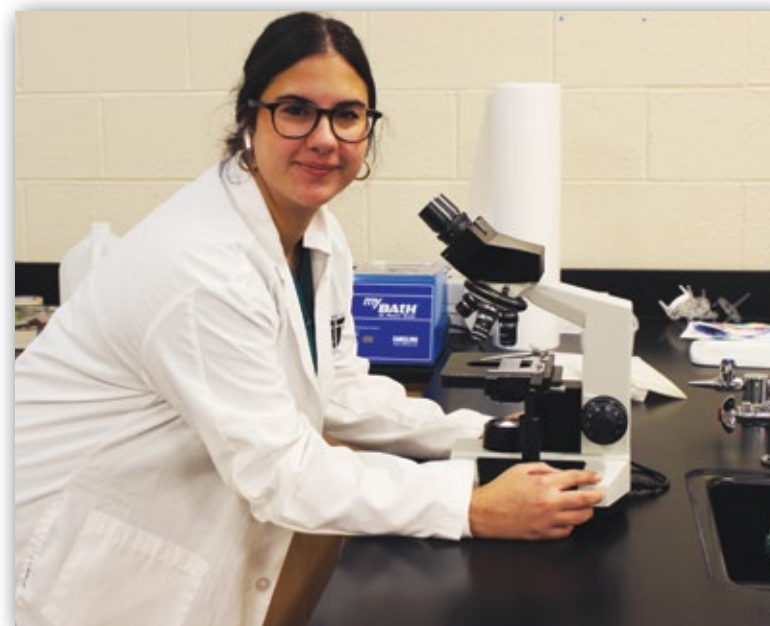
The first job is often the hardest to get. Gain real world experience while you're still in high school. Seniors who qualify can begin working in their career field while still in school. They're using the skills they learn, getting high school credit, gaining valuable experience, and earning a paycheck. This opportunity serves to develop a positive work attitude, increase self-awareness and responsibility, refine career goals, and enhance problem-solving skills.

## AFTER GRADUATION...

You can go anywhere you want and accomplish your goals! With DCTS, you get a great education and can begin a career or continue your education with college.

- Have more choices
- Get a head start in college
- Save money
- Get a great job

Many DCTS graduates attend college immediately after graduation. DCTS has numerous certification and licensure opportunities for students while enrolled at DCTS.





# Q & A

## FREQUENTLY ASKED PARENT QUESTIONS



### IS TRANSPORTATION PROVIDED TO THE CAMPUSES?

Your child's high school provides transportation to and from each designated campus. Students may obtain a parking pass and drive to school.

### DOES DCTS PROVIDE PROGRAMS AND SERVICES FOR STUDENTS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS?

Student Support teachers and instructional assistants are available to assist students with special needs who require a more structured learning environment or individualized accommodations. The Student Support staff coordinates technical school participation in MDE (Multi-Disciplinary Evaluation) and IEP (Individualized Educational Program) meetings. In-service programs are provided to keep teachers up-to-date on the latest instructional techniques to ensure the success of students at DCTS.

### HOW MUCH DOES IT COST FOR A STUDENT TO ATTEND DCTS?

There is no tuition to attend. All programs require a uniform and select, specialized tools. Assistance is available for those who may need it.

### CAN STUDENTS EARN COLLEGE CREDIT?

Career Technical Education programs provide a seamless pathway to post-secondary education. Students have many opportunities to earn college credit through dual enrollment, SOAR, and local articulation agreements.

### HOW ARE THESE COURSES TAUGHT?

CTE classes are conducted in classrooms equipped to industry standards. Classes are a combination of classroom instruction and lab-based learning.

### WHY SHOULD A STUDENT TAKE A CTE COURSE?

CTE courses are sequenced to create pathways for students in a course of study which can lead to employment and/or post-secondary education opportunities. Experience is the best teacher and industry experience is one of the unique qualifications that our teachers bring to the classroom. CTE can help you get the experience needed to get a job of your choice, help you upgrade your skills, or train completely in a new field. Many classes include the opportunity to actually do your training in a community-based business.

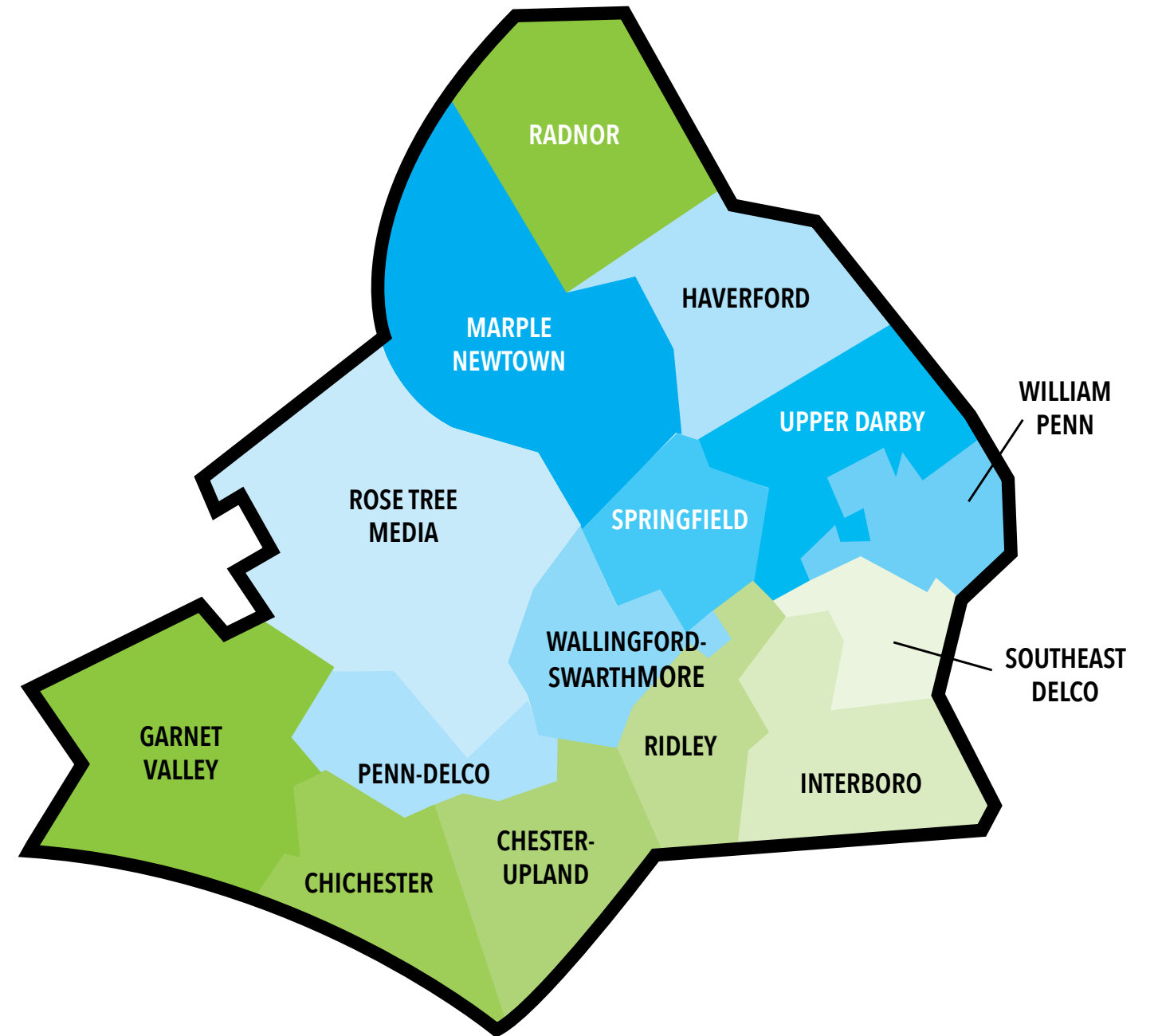




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Admission to a technical program depends upon available space in technical program based on allotment of school district, random selection for programs with waiting lists, student interest and aptitude for program, grades, attendance, behavior, and transition/placement meeting with student's home district as needed. Limited English proficiency will not be a barrier to admission and participation in a technical program. A qualified representative from the school district may assist the applicant/guardian in completing the application and assist during the admission and technical placement process. Translation of all documents is available.





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