



Lenape Students Can Earn College Credits Through SOAR



SOAR, or Students Occupationally and Academically Ready, programs of study in Career & Technical Education (CTE) prepare Lenape Tech students for the demands of both postsecondary education and high-demand, well-paying careers. By successfully completing Lenape Tech's technical programs of study, students can earn postsecondary credits toward most two-year and four-year colleges.

SOAR is built on CTE programs of technical study that incorporate secondary and postsecondary education elements and include coherent and rigorous academic and technical content aligned with Pennsylvania's challenging standards.

SOAR credits are accepted at higher education institutions through articulation agreements, which allow students to save money on college tuition and shorten the time of attendance in college. SOAR

also helps make Lenape students more career-ready and prepares them for the right pathway to success for the career interests and aptitudes. According the PA Department of Education and the Bureau of Career & Technical Education, Lenape Tech students may be eligible for SOAR credits by earning their high school diploma, maintaining a 2.5 GPA or better in their technical studies, achieving competent or advanced on end-of-program assessments (NOCTI, NIMS, etc.), and other requirements.



"Allowing Lenape Tech students to earn postsecondary credits for completing their challenging technical programs of study makes a lot of sense and it promotes further training and education, whether the student goes directly into the workforce or straight to college," says Lenape Tech principal, **Wesley Kuchta**. "It is consistent with our school's philosophy of creating access to opportunities and providing multiple pathways and on-ramps for all of our students – many of whom do pursue college level education when they graduate from Lenape Tech or at some point later."



For more information on SOAR, contact the Bureau of Career and Technical Education (www.education.pa.gov) or scan this QR code to visit the SOAR Programs Website at PDE.