STANDARDS FOR CAREER READY PRACTICE

- Apply appropriate technical skills and academic knowledge.
- Communicate clearly, effectively, and with reason.
- Develop an education and career plan aligned with personal goals.
- Apply technology to enhance productivity.
- Utilize critical thinking to make sense of problems and persevere in solving them.
- Practice personal health and understand financial literacy.
- Act as a responsible citizen in the workplace and the community.
- Model integrity, ethical leadership, and effective management.
- Work productively in teams while integrating cultural and global competence.
- Demonstrate creativity and innovation.
- Employ valid and reliable research strategies.
- Understand the environmental, social, and economic impacts of decisions.

PHILOSOPHY

Merced County ROP/Career & Technical Education delivers innovative educational programs to high school and adult students in preparation for 21st century careers, higher education, and life-long learning.

PROGRAM GOALS

- Develop academic, technical, and interpersonal skills
- Secure employment
- Upgrade skills
- Enter advanced career-technical training
- Pursue college related course work

ROP OFFERS CAREER & TECHNICAL EDUCATION IN THE FOLLOWING INDUSTRY SECTORS

- Agriculture and Natural Resources
- Building and Construction Trades
- Business and Finance
- Education, Child Development, and Family Services
- Health Science and Medical Technology
- Hospitality, Tourism, and Recreation
- Information and Communication Technologies
- Manufacturing and Product Development
- Marketing, Sales, and Service
- Public Service

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ROP/CTE COURSES OFFERED

Advanced Business Management and Marketing
College Credit is available

Automotive Technology I/II
College Credit is available

Business Applications I/II

Business Management

Business & Marketing Essentials UC approved for "g" Elective Credit

Business Office Professional I/II
College Credit is available

Career Planning in Business and Marketing

Computer Accounting
College Credit is available
UC approved for "q" Elective Credit

Creative Marketing

Construction Technology I/II

Culinary Arts I-II
College Credit is available

Environmental Horticulture I/II College Credit is available UC approved for "g" Elective Credit

Food Science I/II UC approved for "g" Elective Credit

Foundations in Education I/II College Credit is available UC approved for "g" Elective Credit Health Careers
UC approved for "a" Elective Credit

Health Science College Credit is available UC approved for "g" Elective Credit

Internships in Agriculture College Credit is available

Introduction to Computer Programing

Law Enforcement I/II

Marketing Foundations I/II College Credit is available UC approved for "g" Elective Credit

Medical Office Administration College Credit is available UC approved for "g" Elective Credit

Medical Technologies I/II College Credit is available UC approved for "g" Elective Credit

Nursing Assistant

Robotics

Social Media Marketing

Sports & Entertainment Marketing UC approved for "g" Elective Credit

Sports Medicine
UC approved for "g" Elective Credit

Virtual Enterprise College Credit is available UC approved for "g" Elective Credit for a semester

HIGH SCHOOLS SERVED

Delhi High School

Dos Palos High School

Gustine High School

Hilmar High School

Irwin High School

Le Grand High School

Los Banos High School

Merced Scholars Charter School

Pacheco High School

Stoneridge Christian

Valley Community Schools

CAREER INDUSTRY DAY

Career Industry Day provides approximately 1,000 area sophomore students the opportunity to network with local business representatives from a variety of industry sectors. Students also have the opportunity to listen to guest speakers and explore career pathways learning about steps they can take to be successful in the fields they choose to pursue. Students should contact their campus Career Technician or counselor for the specific date of Career Industry Day.





PORTFOLIO DAY

Portfolio Day gives ROP/CTE students from high schools throughout Merced County the opportunity to participate in one-on-one interviews with local business professionals. Students are evaluated and feedback is given after the interview process. Students are expected to dress appropriately, conduct themselves in a professional manner, and write a thank-you card following the interview. In order to participate in this event, students are required to complete an Employability Portfolio. Portfolios are a compilation of work history information which includes: a Cover Letter, Resume, completed Job Application, Career Action Plan, Letter of Recommendation, Employability Skills Self-Evaluation, and at least one Work Sample.





AWARD OF EXCELLENCE

Award of Excellence is the highlight of the Merced County ROP/CTE's school year. It is a night of awards for students who successfully complete the Portfolio Day process and are identified by their ROP/CTE Instructor as an outstanding student. In recognition of their efforts, Award of Excellence recipients receive certificates from ROP/CTE and local legislators, a medal, t-shirt, and a personalized photograph.





CAREER CENTERS

Career Centers provide students and high school staff with information about careers and the classes available giving students opportunities to learn about occupations consistent with their interest and abilities. Students may also obtain information about postsecondary opportunities, scholarships and financial aid. Updates on emerging careers and workforce trends are also available in career centers.

CAREER TECHNICIANS

Career Technicians are the voice of Career and Technical Education on the high school campuses. One of their major roles is to provide information to students about ROP/CTE classes offered at their high school campus and assist with enrollment. Career Technicians keep counselors and other school staff up-to-date on any changes to ROP/CTE course offerings.

