

- STC PROGRAMS -

Automotive Technology
Business Management
Carpentry Technology
Collision Repair Technology
Computer Information Systems
Cosmetology
Criminal Justice

Culinary Arts
Diversified Occupations
Diesel Technology
Early Childhood Care & Education
Emerging Health Professionals
Pre-Engineering / Electronic Tech.
Health Careers

Precision Machining Technology
Masonry Technology
Plumbing & Heating Technology
Residential / Industrial Electricity
Small Engine Technology
Welding

STC offers DIVERSIFIED OCCUPATIONS program...

Students currently attending Schuylkill County school districts have the option to participate in a "Diversified Occupations" program during their senior year offered through the supervision of the Schuylkill Technology Center. The Diversified Occupations (D.O.) one year program prepares students to develop marketable work-force skills through related theory assignments and job training connected with actual employment opportunities. Students must be legally employed for a minimum of 15 hours per week. A secondary student. May apply for admission to the D.O. program under the following conditions: (1) STC does not offer a related occupational training program, (2) STC program enrollments are to capacity, or (3) inability to meet entrance requirements for other existing vocational programs. D. O. program requirements include the following:

- ◆ Parent/guardian approval
- ◆ District staff recommendations
- ◆ An approved job site
- ◆ Employer worker's compensation insurance
- ◆ Transportation / Insurance
- ◆ STC/Employer Training Agreement
- ◆ STC/Employer Training Plan
- ◆ Employer evaluations

D. O. applications and related information is available on the STC website under Quicklinks > Schuylkill Diversified Occupations > Applications. For additional information, contact the STC Co-op Coordinator at 570-874-1034 X4816 (North - Frackville), or 570-544-4748 X3110 (South - Mar Lin).

ANNOUNCING EMERGING HEALTH PROFESSIONAL PROGRAM...

Schuylkill Technology Center is excited to announce a new opportunity for Schuylkill County youth interested in the medical field. The Emerging Health Career is a partnership between Penn State Schuylkill, Schuylkill Health and Blue Mountain Health System. The Emerging Health Career dual-enrollment program combines skills-based, interactive and university level classroom learning with shadowing in the health care setting. The program is designed to prepare students for post-secondary education by offering college science courses. Students spend two half-days a week with Penn State faculty and will spend two half-days a week participating in activities at either Schuylkill Health or Blue Mountain Health System. Students spend one half day a week participating in health curriculum taught by the STC instructors. This program is available to seniors only. Penn State Schuylkill (PSU) offers students a total of eight college credits. The fall semester course is Mammalian Anatomy. The spring semester course credit includes physiology and an introductory physiology lab. The courses are taught by doctorate and master-level science faculty. Emerging Health Career students will be exposed to a variety of shadowing, simulation and other educational opportunities at clinical locations. Students will be provided with a number of presentations and experiential learning experiences from master's and doctoral educated staff.

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STC North Campus Hosts Cooperative Education Employers Appreciation Event



On May 11th, over fifty people including employers, students, and educators connected to the STC Cooperative Education programs attended the annual Employer Appreciation Breakfast event held at the North Campus, Frackville.

The Keynote Speaker was Dr. Cynthia Pellock, Director; Professional Development Center for Career and Technical Education at The Pennsylvania State University. Dr. Pellock, a native of Frackville, spoke of her father's experiences with STC Cooperative Education program operating a full service auto mechanic station in Frackville; "Working with Co-op built a pool of workers with necessary skills, which enabled my father to identify reliable workers whom he could hire later. Then, because of Co-op, my Dad was able to get away from the station to spend more time with our family for which I am forever grateful." Dr. Pellock also addressed the ever increasing demand for a skilled workforce, and how CTE schools like STC need to stay current to keep up with technology and provide students a clear career pathway.

All participating employees were honored with a plaque which commemorated their efforts serving STC students as mentors. An outstanding expanded breakfast menu was prepared and served by the STC Culinary Arts program.

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CONGRATULATIONS TO SKILLS USA 2016 STATE WINNERS:

Two STC Students won medals at the 2016 Skills USA State Competition held at Hershey on May 00:

Brandy Witmer
Ornamental Welding
3rd Place - Bronze
Instructor: Mr. Frank Rupp

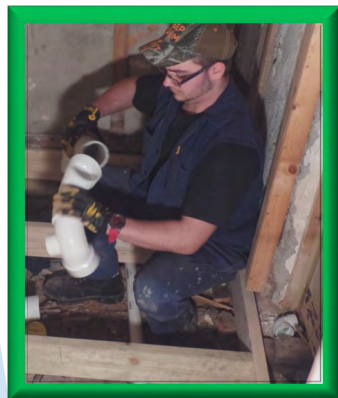
Kevin Graff
Power Equipment Repair
1st Place - Gold
Instructor: Mr. Jason Wright



Kevin Graff will move on to National Competition in Kentucky on June 20. He has been involved with Cooperative Education for two years; employed by Schreffler's Equipment, Pitman.

STC in the Workforce...

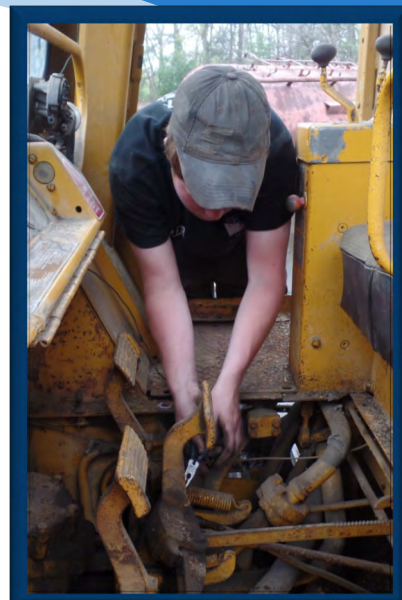
☆ Job Shadow ☆ Internships ☆ Clinical ☆
☆ Co-op (Capstone) ☆ Diversified Occupations ☆



Dylon Searfoss installs a PVC wasteline at "Old Pottsville City Hall".



Josh Smallwood fits a fender at Bob Weaver Chevrolet Body Shop in Pottsville.



Tyler Lucas adjusts the linkage of a CAT Dozer at Superior Coal Company in Valley View.



Amanda Moyer and Jenny Winter prepare resident's bedding during a clinical experience at the Schuylkill Center, Pottsville.



Austin Schwenk covers drainage pipe he installed for Silver Maple Landscaping in Orwigsburg.



Autumn Sterner assists students with daily dental hygiene during her clinical at St. Clair Elementary (Child Development Inc.).



Jacob Strouse monitors a CNC program cutting PVC components for outside furniture products at Highwood USA, Hometown.



Braeden Mackereth follows a discussion at a Schuylkill - Keep It Pretty (SKIP) meeting at Union Station in Pottsville.

STC Carpentry Students explore Carpenters Union employment opportunities



On April 6, 2016, STC North and South Carpentry programs visited the Greater Pennsylvania Carpenters Union located in Lebanon, PA to learn about current construction employment opportunities provided through the United Brotherhood of Carpenters (UBC). The STC Carpentry student group was greeted by Mr. Mike Sweitzer, who quickly stressed to STC Students that Union carpenters are involved with much more than working with wood and swinging a hammer. Career opportunities include concrete form construction for bridge building, pile-drivers, metal framing, interior systems, door and hardware installation, welding, floor layer installations and millwrights.

The UBC Training program has a four year apprenticeship program with a requirement of a mandatory five weeks of related training per year). Carpenter Union apprentices have an option of pursuing a post-secondary college associate degree program connected with Harrisburg Area Community College (HACC), which articulates credits from the Carpenters Union curriculum into HACC's degree program. There are twenty UBC classes that articulate 35 credits into a technology associate college degree. Tuition reimbursement is available to the membership to cover the cost of the remaining necessary credits. Students may also connect this degree work into a related four year baccalaureate degree (Bachelor of Applied Science in Technical Leadership) through an articulation agreement with Bloomsburg State University.

Mr. Sweitzer announced that currently twenty UBC union apprentice positions are available for high school seniors. The UBC Staff emphasized that if a student is a senior in a career and technology program, they may apply and test early before they graduate from high school. Students applying must be at least 17 years of age, need to provide a school transcript, three letters of recommendation, and a valid PA driver's license. Several students from the STC group expressed interest in applying for enrollment into the program and were encouraged to take the carpenters practice test available on their website.

OMNOVA Solutions to partner with STC School-to-Work programs



On May 19th, OMNOVA Solutions invited STC students from Residential and Industrial Electricity, Precision Machining Technology, Pre-Engineering and Electronics, and Plumbing / Heating Technology, to explore current job opportunities at the Auburn facility. According to Human Resources Manager, Dan Dunmeyer, there are many job possibilities for STC students with technical skills to earn high wages at the Schuylkill County location. Currently, there are positions available as maintenance technicians, electricians, and production workers. Mr. Dunmeyer is working with STC Co-op Coordinator, Mr. McGinley, to establish school-to-work programs for the upcoming 2016-17 school year.

Students experienced the OMNOVA's manufacturing process which involves the development of "calendar layers" of PVC material used as laminates for a variety of products including furniture and flooring. After the facility tour, the students had a working lunch session and discussion with the OMNOVA staff, which included engineers and maintenance supervisors. It was revealed that five out of the nine staff members were graduates of STC; some were previous students of Mr. Cimino (Pre-Engineering & Electronics), and Mr. Hess (Residential and Industrial Electricity). STC students seemed to feel confident with the day's events, and when questioned, 70% said they are deeply interested in pursuing employment with OMNOVA.