RELATIONS WITH BOCES

The Somers Central School District is a member of the Putnam/Northern Westchester Board of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES) and as such, our students, staff and faculty have access to and engage with many programs and learning opportunities.

Programs for students include Career and Technical Education (CTE) programs such as Cosmetology, Carpentry, Certified Nurse Aide/Home Health Care Aide, Culinary Arts, and Auto Mechanics. Our English Language Learners can also access ENL Immersion programs.

Our students with special needs benefit from services in Special Education programs. In addition, programs such as Arts in Education and Environmental Education allow us to bring special consultants, assemblies and learning experiences to our schools.

Both students and teachers benefit from access to programs developed by educators from the PNWBOCES consortium such as Science 21 and the Social Studies English Language Arts Curriculum. These programs and accompanying resources allow students to have access to well-developed materials and curriculum and allow faculty members to join with area educators to develop and revise standards-based curriculum to meet the needs of 21st century learners.

District faculty benefit from our partnership with BOCES for professional learning in the areas of curriculum and instruction, educational leadership, guidance and child study, educational technology and a full service professional library. Networking through membership in the Curriculum Council as well as curriculum specific leadership groups allows our faculty to both learn from and share practices with other professionals throughout our region.

Additional services which are accessed through the district’s partnership with BOCES include interpreters, printing and laminating, regional crisis teams and school safety support.

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