

- Be respectful and responsible.

14. Does the Skills Center offer internships to students?

- Students who are looking to extend their learning and possible job opportunities should talk with their instructor at the Skills Center, their Career development Coordinator and School Counselor at their schools to see what possibilities there for an internship are.

15. Does the Skills Center help students get employment after they finish a program?

- There are opportunities during the year to meet prospective employers and business owners through our guest speaker program. In the spring, we host a Meet & Greet and Hiring Event for students who have completed one or more of the programs. This event connects businesses who are looking for summer, part-time, and full-time employees with students who have finished the program and who are looking for a job and additional training.

16. How many students are in a class?

- This number varies by program. By state mandate, the Nursing Fundamentals & Practicum classes can only have 10 students. Others are bound by the number of seats in the room, like 3D Modeling & Animation. Others can be limited by safety concerns but typically have more seats available.

17. Can I get my CNA credential there?

- When a student successfully checks off on all the required skills, they will go to the 3-week clinical setting. Once they successfully complete this, they will be qualified to sit for the written and the skills test. Currently, these 2 assessments are done off-site. We hope to be a certified testing center during the 2024-2025 school year.

18. Do any of these credits count towards classes at CCCC?

- Many of our programs are included in the statewide articulation agreement. When students register for classes at CCCC or another community college, they can show these courses on their transcripts and verify whether they will be accepted for additional credit.
- Additionally, they can ask the CCCC liaison which credits will be accepted.
- Students can also speak with the Career Development Coordinator at their school for more information.

19. How long is the bus ride from my school?

- The ride varies by school with SWHS being the closest and being about 10 minutes to Swansboro HS being the longest at about 45 minutes.
- Note: Swansboro HS students only come to the Skills Center for the PM classes because of the distance. Students from all other schools can come to AM and PM classes.

20. Are breakfast and lunch available at the Skills Center?

- Students who come to the AM session will be able to purchase breakfast just like they do at their regular school. Sometimes, they can get it before they get on the bus to come to the Skills Center.
- Lunch is the same. Students coming for the PM session can get their lunch once they arrive.

21. Can students bring snacks and drinks to the Skills Center?

- Because the classes are 2 hours & 35 minutes long, there are opportunities to take breaks during the class.
- Students may take advantage of this time to eat a snack, go to the bathroom, have a drink or catch up on other assignments, at the teacher's discretion.

22. What is the cell phone policy at the Skills Center?

- Every classroom is equipped with a secure cell phone box.
- All students will put their cell phones in the box, and it will be locked by the instructor throughout the class.
- The instructor will release the phones at the end of the period or as they see appropriate.
- If a cell phone is not placed in the box and is later found in the student's possession, it will be given to the instructor and the administration will be notified. Depending on the level of the infraction and how it is handled by the student, the phone may be returned at the end of the session, held until a parent/guardian comes to get it or IIS or OSS may be given as a punishment.

23. How long do I need to be in class to be counted present?

- Students should plan to be in the class for the entire period...like a job.
- If you are late or must leave early, you must be in attendance for **TWO HOURS** to be counted present.

24. How is discipline handled at the Skills Center?

- In most cases, discipline at the Skills Center is handled between the sending school and the Skills Center administration. There is typically a consensus between these two administrators about how the issue should be handled.