

To: Parents/Guardians of 10th Graders
From: Principal's Office
Re: Courses at Eastern Center for Arts and Technology
Date: October 2024

Junior and senior students at the high school are eligible to select classes at Eastern Center for Arts and Technology (EASTERN). This partnership allows our students to take advantage of the current technologies in career fields at EASTERN and includes the opportunity to continue their education in college. At EASTERN, academics are blended with applied learning just as a lab course in college provides students with a hands-on interactive supplement to theory courses. EASTERN provides the technical experience that will give your child a competitive edge in the workplace or college. They also offer articulation college credit agreements with a growing number of colleges and universities and dual enrollment through Montgomery County Community College.

Please check out EASTERN's new brochure that further explains programs at EASTERN - <https://www.eastech.org/parent-brochure>. Programs and activities are coordinated on all administrative levels, including the Superintendent, Principal, Counselor, and Special Education Coordinator, to benefit our students.

On December 9, 2024, an EASTERN representative and several current EASTERN students will present to our 10th graders about the programs available. Cheltenham students interested in visiting EASTERN will have the opportunity to visit two to three programs of their choice on Thursday, February 6, 2025, from 12:15 to 2:15 p.m. Cheltenham will provide bus transportation.

If you are interested in visiting EASTERN, you are encouraged to attend its Open House on Sunday, March 2, 2025, from 1 to 3:00 p.m. If you are unable to make the Open House, tours are available on the following dates:

- **Friday, March 7, 2025, from 9 – 10 a.m. – Arts, Human Services, and Hospitality Careers**
(Design, Photography and Illustration, Cosmetology, and Culinary Arts)
- **Friday, March 14, 2025, from 9 – 10 a.m. – Construction Careers**
(Construction Technology, Electrical Technology, and Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning)
- **Friday, March 21, 2025, from 9 – 10 a.m. – Business, Computer & Public Safety Careers**
(Business and Technology Professional, Protective Services, and Networking and Cybersecurity)
- **Friday, March 28, 2025, from 9 – 10 a.m.- Transportation & Manufacturing Careers**
(Automotive Technology, Collision Repair Technology, Robotics and Automated Technology, and Welding Technology)
- **Friday, April 4, 2025, from 9 – 10 a.m. – Health Sciences Careers**
(Allied Health, Exercise Science and Rehabilitation, and Veterinary Science)

Please contact Amy Shields, EASTERN's Marketing and Recruitment Coordinator, to register for a tour. We are partners in education with EASTERN -- together we hope to place the right students in the right career and technical programs. Mrs. Shields can be reached at 215-784-4806, or via email at ashields@eastech.org.