

Collaborate!

Erie 1 BOCES Partnership Briefing



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Akron Students Attend Career and Technical Education Programs

15

Akron Students were Inducted into the National Technical Honor Society within the Past Three Years

35+

Career and Technical Education Courses Offered to Akron High School Students



Akron High School Student Threading a Future in Fashion

Akron High School student Sianna Crooks is turning her passion for creativity and culture into a promising future through the Fashion Design and Technology program at the Calspan Career and Technical Education (CTE) Center. Known for her dedication, talent, and leadership, Sianna has quickly become a standout in the program.

Her instructor, Darlene Borchert, shared, "Sianna is an outstanding student in fashion class! As a junior, she competed at the NYS SkillsUSA competition and placed second in the state! She created a two-piece outfit that she hand-beaded to reflect her Native American heritage. She is a role model for her classmates. Sianna is a respectful and responsible student who always comes to class prepared and ready to assist others if needed."

Sianna said she joined the program to build a strong foundation for her future in fashion. "I joined CTE Fashion Design because I wanted to better my skills for college and eventually my career," she said.

Looking ahead, Sianna has her sights set on one of the nation's top fashion schools. "My plan upon graduation is to potentially attend FIT for Fashion Design, get my degree in Fashion Design and then, start my own clothing business," she shared.



Thanks to new legislation, school districts will see increased state reimbursement for BOCES career and technical education teacher salaries, making it more affordable and accessible.



\$1,368,364

*in State Aid Generated to Akron via
BOCES Services*

10

*Akron Students Participate in Alternative
Education Programs*

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*Akron Students Participate in
Special Education Programs*

15

*Akron Students Attended Extended School
(Summer) Program*



Erie 1 BOCES Shared Services

The New York State Legislature created Boards of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES) as a way for local school districts to collaborate on educational offerings while reducing their individual expenses. Today, Erie 1 BOCES is an incubator of innovation, continually developing new programs and services to meet the changing needs of students. The following is a report that provides insight into Akron's enrollment during this school year.

K-12 Instructional Programs

We provide a diverse range of specialized educational programs to empower K-12 students and adult learners across Western New York.

Students Enrolled In:

- Alternative Learning
- Career and Technical Education
- Special Education

Administrative Services

We deliver quality, cost-efficient operational services to ensure districts can focus on providing students with an excellent education.

Services Enrolled In:

- Athletics
- Central Business Office
- Certification
- Cooperative Purchasing
- Graphics and Video
- Health, Safety, and Risk Management
- Labor Relations
- Policy Services
- Public Relations
- Printing/Copy
- Substitute Coordination

Teamwork at its Best

Recently, Akron entrusted its payroll and claims auditing to Erie 1 BOCES' Central Business Office (CBO). This project called for a high level of collaboration and shared problem-solving to ensure a smooth transition. To support Akron, the CBO committed itself to learning Akron's preferred accounting software, nimbly providing dedicated support in partnership with Akron colleagues throughout the service implementation. The group's most impressive achievement to date was during the peak summer season when Akron was short a staff member. Showcasing integrity and commitment, the Akron and Erie 1 BOCES teams came together seamlessly, working as one to ensure payroll operations continued without interruption.

WNYRIC Shared Services

Western New York Regional Information Center (WNYRIC) delivers future-focused educational technology support, resources, and solutions to over 100 school districts. Through technology integration, data, cybersecurity, and instructional support, our experienced team creates innovative and interconnected learning environments to maximize the quality of instruction.



Data Protection and Cybersecurity

We safeguard sensitive data to support secure digital environments and empower schools with the resources they need to prioritize safety and compliance.

Services Enrolled In:

- Enhanced Cybersecurity Service
- Network Security and Content Filtering
- Data Protection and Privacy (DPP)

Did you know Data Protection and Cybersecurity also offers:

- Multi-Factor Authorization

Data Services

We partner with districts to ensure compliance with reporting requirements, integrate data seamlessly, and streamline data processes.

Services Enrolled In:

- Active Directory and Password Management
- Remote Backup
- Test Scanning and Scoring
- Data Warehouse
- Data Integration

Did you know Data Services also offers:

- Big Data (System Event) Reporting
- NYS Assessment Support
- NYS Data Support

eCommunications Services

We leverage technology to increase efficiency and security of communication between schools, students, and guardians.

Services Enrolled In:

- Websites and Mobile Apps
- Email and Email Archives
- Automated Notifications

Facilities Services

We create safe, successful, and efficient learning environments.

Services Enrolled In:

- Textbook Loans
- Cafeteria Management Systems
- Visitor Management Software
- Facilities Management Software

Did you know Facilities Services also offers:

- Managed Print as a Service

3,401

Hours of Professional Development Attended by Akron in 2024-2025

2,058

New York State Assessments Processed for Akron in 2024-2025

30

Educational Software Applications Supported in Akron

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technology services



WNYRIC Services Continued...

Finance and HR Services

We support district offices with systems that streamline accounting, payroll, and personnel operations.

Services Enrolled In:

- Document Management
- Professional Development Software
- Job Posting and Application Management

Did you know Finance and HR Services also offers:

- Employee Information Systems
- Budget Mailer
- Information Management Systems
- Capital Projects Management

Instructional Support

We provide diverse curriculum support and professional development to enhance teaching and learning experiences for educators and students.

Services Enrolled In:

- Instructional Media Resources
- Instructional Resource Team
- Technology Integration
- Library Automation
- CSLO Software
- Arts in Education
- Community Schools
- Distance Education

Network Services and Technical Support

We deliver technical support, resources, and solutions to enhance learning, manage the educational environment, and support staff.

Services Enrolled In:

- Field Techs and Technical Support
- Technology Procurement and Planning
- Network Operations Software
- Voice Over Internet Protocol (VoIP)

Did you know Network Services and Technical Support also offers:

- Extended Classroom Service
- Anti-Virus and Maintenance
- Cloud Services
- Enterprise Mobility Management (EMM)

Student Information Services

We provide K-12 student data management, support, and training for seamless school implementation.

Services Enrolled In:

- Student Health Software
- Student Registration Services
- Special Education Software
- Student Information Systems



Construction is underway on a new school that will expand special education services to all 19 Erie 1 BOCES component districts, strengthening regional support for students with diverse needs.

What is BOCES?

Erie 1 Board of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES) supports school districts with comprehensive services to enhance the region's educational environment. We offer diverse instructional programming to K-12 students, provide career training to adult learners, and optimize school district performance through administrative services and technology integration.

We continuously look to the future to develop and evolve programs that align with the needs of our students, school districts, and region. At Erie 1 BOCES, we strive for excellence while bolstering the success of learners and our community.

Mission

Erie 1 BOCES understands, anticipates, and responds to those we serve: our students, staff, and community.



- Enrollment data is from 2025-26
- Projected State Aid payment based on 2024-25 participation
- Duplication of student counts may occur due to dual enrollment
- Erie 1 BOCES does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, creed, religion, political affiliation, marital status, sex, sexual orientation, age, or disability as defined by law and is in compliance with Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 and with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. The compliance officer for Title IX and Section 504 is the Assistant Superintendent of Instructional Services. The compliance officer is available from 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. at Erie 1 BOCES, 355 Harlem Road, West Seneca, NY 14224. (716) 821-7076 www.e1b.org.