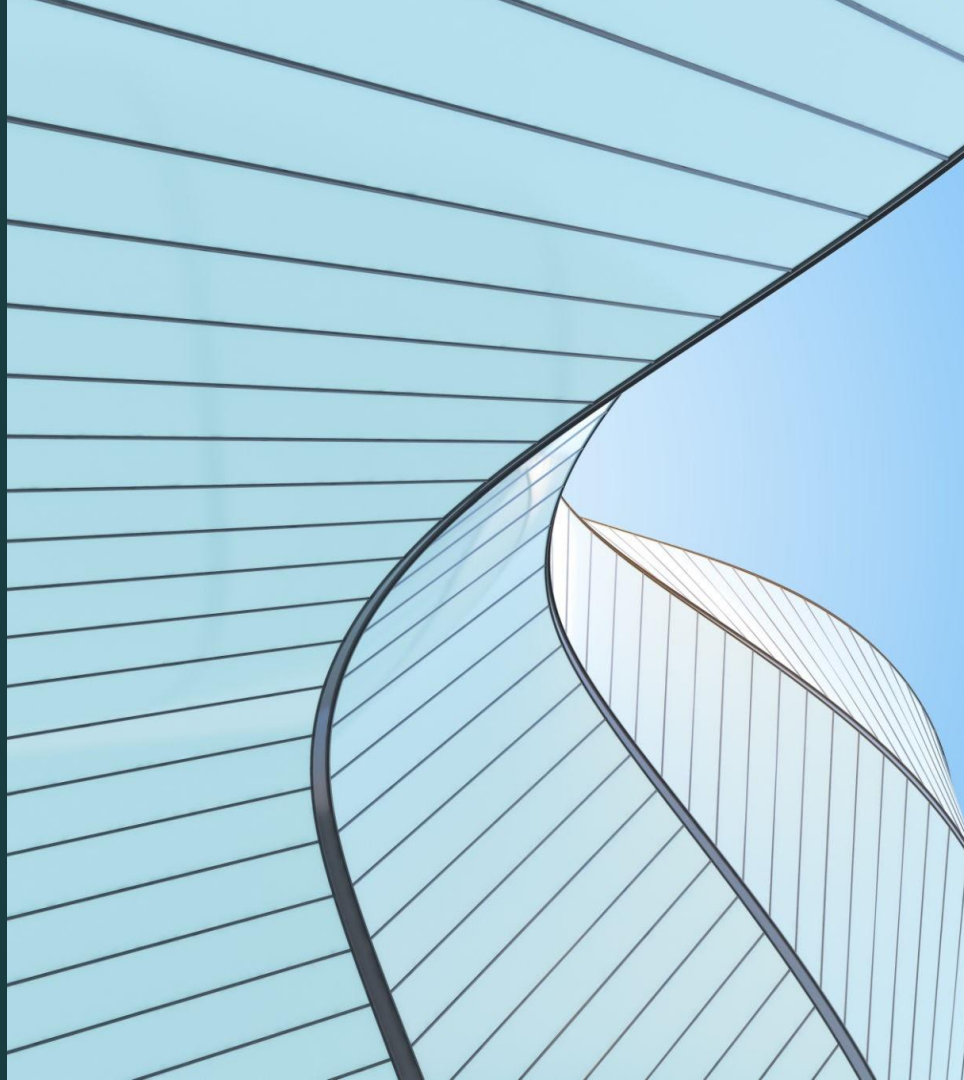
MERCER COUNTY TECHNICAL SCHOOLS

CULINARY ARTS



Principal's Welcome

Sypek: https://youtu.be/f9zEyPpayfw



Meet Our Team



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What We Do

CA I

- Overview of the Restaurant and Foodservice Industry
- ServSafe Foodhandler
- Intro to Foodservice
- Eggs, Dairy and Breakfast Cookery
- Culinary Math
- Starch Cookery

CA II

- ServSafe Manager
- Stocks, Soups and Sauces
- Intro to Hospitality
- Intro to Baking and Pastry





What We Do

CA III

- Advanced Baking and Pastry
- Cooking Methods
- Garde Manger
- Fruits and Vegetables
- Advanced Hospitality Principles
- American Regional Cuisine

ACA Senior Year / MCCC

- Wand & Whisk
- Students take courses at both MCCC and Sypek for college credit



Industry Valued Credentials

ServSafe Food Handler Certificate

ServSafe Food Handler is a certification from the National Restaurant Association that verifies an individual has basic food safety knowledge and skills to prevent foodborne illnesses as entry entry level foodservice employee

ServSafe Manager Certificate

ServSafe Food Safety Manager training and certification is required by law in the state of New Jersey. Currently, the state law requires that at least one person per establishment be ServSafe Food Safety Manager-Certified.

Foundations of Restaurant Management & Culinary Arts Level 1 & 2

American Culinary Federation Certified Cook (CC)

NOCTI Commercial Foods and Prep Cook Certifications

Events, Organizations & Opportunities



ProStart

The program prepares students for careers by providing education, skill certification, and opportunities for scholarships, national competitions, and college placement.

SkillsUSA

SkillsUSA helps students gain leadership experience, hone technical expertise according to industry standards, build employability skills like teamwork and communication, and connect with potential employers to prepare for successful careers and a skilled workforce.

<u>Our 2026 State Champions</u>

Prostart Invitational Culinary

Prostart Invitational Management

SkillsUSA Career Pathways



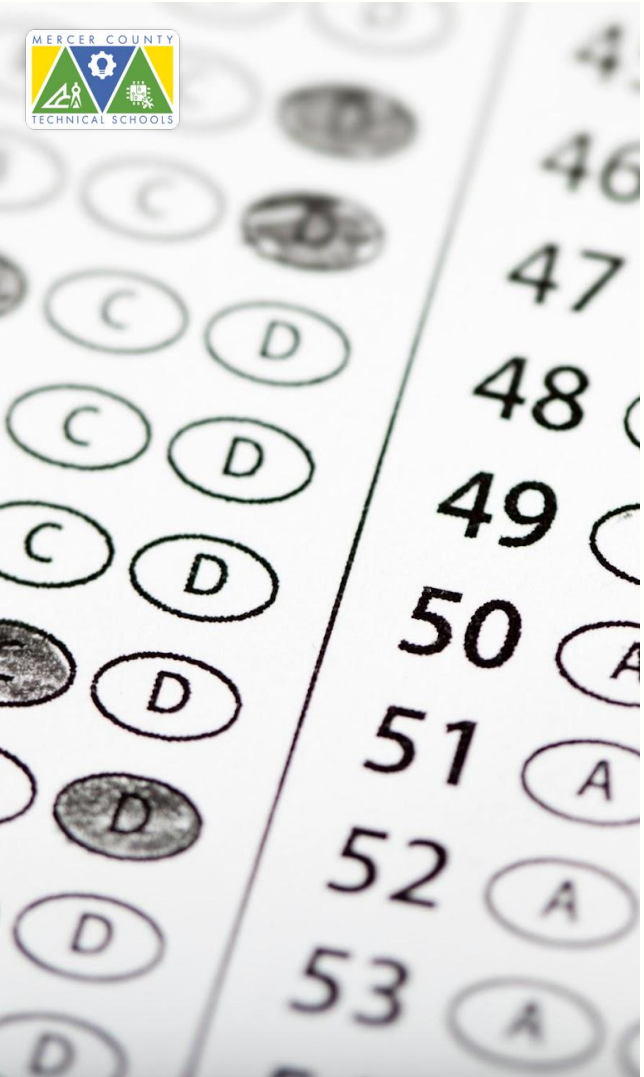
Special Events

- Soup 4 You
- Counselors Brunch/Luncheon
- MCCC Charity Alumni Tasting Event
- NJAC

Uniform Expectations



- Daily compliance in wearing the culinary uniform is essential to the safety and success of each student
- Students will sacrifice participation if not wearing culinary uniform
- Students must arrive to class in a clean uniform!!!
- Uniforms will be provided by the school



Grading

- Practice 10%
  - Homework
  - Uniform
  - Professionalism
  - Safety
- Process 40%
  - Quizzes
  - Cooking Labs
- Achievement 50%
  - Tests
  - Projects
  - Certifications



Attendance

- All students need to make their best efforts to be present in school.
- Students are responsible for any work that was assigned to them when absent.
- Students must not exceed 4.5 absences per marking period or 18 absences per year.
- Three unexcused late arrivals to class will result in one absence
- If students exceed the number of allowable absences it may result in the loss of credit for the school year.
- All doctors notes and excused absences (college visits, pep rallies, state testing, etc.) must be presented to the main office.



Student Resources

- Google Classroom
- Tutor.com

Health & Physical Education

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Health Education at Sypek

*Driver Education (10th grade)

Across grades 9, 11 & 12:

*Alcohol, Tobacco, Drugs & Vaping

*First Aid and Emergencies

*Healthy Relationships

*Nutrition/Fitness

*Communicable and Non-communicable Diseases

*Decision-making

Physical Education at Sypek

Examples of activities covered:

*Pickleball & Ping Pong

*Volleyball & Badminton

*Soccer

*Flag Football

*Lacrosse

*Team Handball

*Basketball

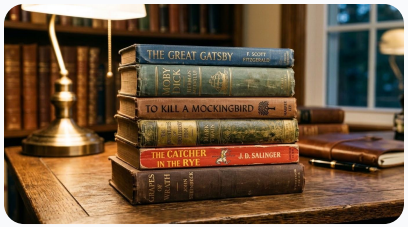
*Kickball & Wiffleball

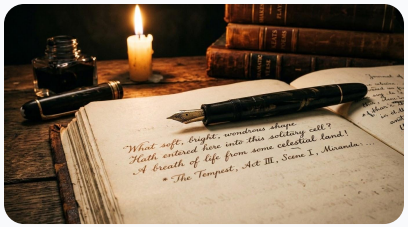
*Frisbee Golf & Ultimate Frisbee

*Cornhole, floorball

English 3, English 4, and Visual and Performing Arts (VPA)









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Teacher of English

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English III

- **Novels:** *The Great Gatsby* & *Their Eyes Were Watching God*
- **Drama:** *The Crucible*
- Research paper and project
- Diverse genres of writing
- Creative projects

English IV

- **Drama:** *Pygmalion*
- Poetry
- Short stories
- Research paper and project
- College essays
- Rhetoric
- Creative projects

VPA

- Film history and genres
- Public Speaking
- Fine arts project (art and artist explorations)
- We will explore a variety of artistic genres

Biological Sciences



Joseph Ragusa, MAT

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- Certified Teacher Leader
- Courses I Currently Teach:
  - Biology & Environmental Science
- National Honor Society Advisor
- MCTS Prom Advisor

NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

Biological Sciences



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Biology Units:	**Environmental Science Units:**
• Cells • Cellular Function • Genetics • Evolution	• The Living World- Ecosystems • The Living World- Biodiversity • Populations • Earth Systems & Resources • Land & Water Use • Energy Resources & Consumption • Atmospheric Pollution • Aquatic & Terrestrial Pollution • Global Change

Welcome to Chemistry!

"The study of matter and the changes it can undergo."



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Assunpink – HSA "A" Days
Sypek – CCA & STEM "B" Days



Oct. 6, 2026

Chemistry



- We will study ~ 5-8 Units.
- Topics covered include matter & energy, atomic structure, electron configurations, the periodic table, formulas and bonding, chemical reactions, stoichiometry, gases, liquids & solids, solutions, acids & bases, and all mathematics involved.
- There is an important laboratory component including graphing and reading graphs and charts.
- Compliance with safety policies is required. *("Safety Contract")*

Algebra 1 & 2 — Mr. Kim

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Algebra 1

Course Curriculum & Units

UNIT 1
Linear equations and inequalities

UNIT 2
Exponentials

UNIT 3
Quadratics

UNIT 4
Other non-linear graphs and statistics



Algebra 2

Course Curriculum & Units

UNIT 1
Polynomials

UNIT 2
Radicals & Rationals

UNIT 3
Exponentials & Logarithms

UNIT 4
Trigonometry

UNIT 5
Statistics

Mr. Dorsi-Social Studies CAA & STEM Academies

Courses 2026-2027

United States History I Dual Enrollment

Advanced Placement United States History

Personal Finance



Contact Information

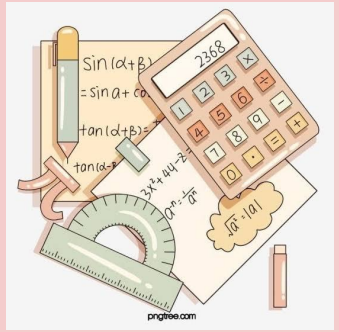
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Mathematics Interventionist

Alana Rodgers



Extra support for Algebra 1 , Algebra 2 & Geometry students

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