



SOMERSET COUNTY VOCATIONAL & TECHNICAL SCHOOLS

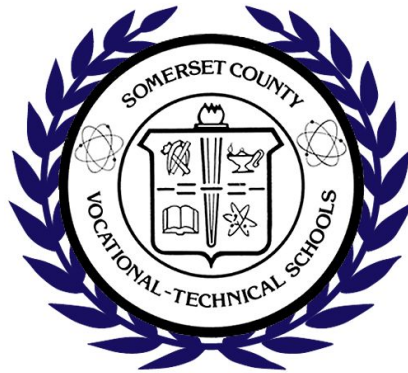
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College, Career or Both!



School Profile

2015 – 2016

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Mission Statement

Our mission is to provide an educational program in which all students achieve the New Jersey Core Curriculum Content Standards at all grade levels for the purpose of developing responsible graduates who are academically, technically and vocationally competent and prepared for the future. We promote and enhance learning by helping students match their skills and abilities, interests and knowledge, values and preferences with plans that meet the students' educational and career goals. We are committed to challenging our students to achieve their highest potential.

Community

Somerset County is the hub of Central New Jersey. Its 21 municipalities, which encompass 305 square miles, contain a diversity of landscape, population and development that reflects the diverse style of over 324,000 residents. Somerset County Vocational Technical School serves 683 students in grades 9-12 from all 21 municipalities. 130 students graduated in June 2015.

Student Selection

Most students who attend Somerset County Vocational & Technical High School live in Somerset County. Students may apply to Somerset County Vocational & Technical High School by completing an application and submitting a series of documents. Students must have a minimum math and reading level of 7th grade. Students are accepted on the following criteria: 7th and 8th grade report card grades, attendance reports, discipline reports, and standardized test scores from previous school years. Beginning with the application period for 2016-2017 school year, a math and language arts entrance exam is required.

Accreditation

Somerset County Vocational Technical School is a fully accredited public school by the New Jersey Department of Education. Somerset County Vocational Technical School has successfully passed state monitoring by the Department of Education and has been named a school of excellence after the completion of an extensive monitoring process by the New Jersey Department of Education through the Quality Single Accountability Continuum process.



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Curriculum

In preparation for college, career or both, Somerset County Vocational & Technical High School focuses on career and technical education. Students may attend Somerset County Vocational & Technical High School on a full time or on a shared time basis and may choose from 16 career majors. In some career programs, college courses are available as electives, if students meet criteria. Most academic classes are 40 minutes in length and are taught at the college prep level; while career major classes are 80-120 minutes in length.

In support of the students, the school counseling team has adopted the National Standards for school counseling. These standards focus on helping students achieve competencies in three areas of student development: academic, career, and personal/social. We offer comprehensive services to the school community including staff, students and their families. We advocate for our students by serving as allies with teachers and by collaborating with parents/guardians and community partners.

Academic Course Offerings

CTE Course Offerings

English Department <ul style="list-style-type: none"> English 9, 10, 11, 12 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Academy for Health and Medical Sciences Agricultural Science Automotive/Diesel Technology Auto Body/Collision Repair Carpentry Cosmetology Culinary Arts Gifted & Talented Honors Dance Electrical Construction Graphic Communications Health Occupations Integrated Technology Systems Law and Public Safety Plumbing Theater Arts <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Acting - Acting with music vocals Welding
Mathematics Department <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Algebra I Geometry Algebra II Pre Calculus Calculus 	
Fine and Performing Arts <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Photography 	
Physical Education Department <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Physical Education 9, 10, 11, 12 Health 9, 11, 12 Driver's Education 	
Science Department <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Anatomy & Physiology (Cosmetology students) Biology Chemistry Physics Human Biology (Health Occupation students) 	
Social Studies Department <ul style="list-style-type: none"> World History U.S. History I U.S. History II Financial Literacy 	
World Languages Department <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Spanish 1, 2, 3 	



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Graduation Requirements

To graduate, students must complete 120 credits in coursework that begins in grade 9 and concludes with grade 12. The coursework must include the following:

1. Four years of English (9-12)
2. Three years of Mathematics
3. Three years of Science
4. Two years of U.S. History
5. One year of World History
6. One year of World Language
7. One year of Physical Education/Health for every year enrolled in SCVTHS
8. One year of Visual/Performing Arts
9. One half year of Financial Literacy
10. Career Major-10 to 15 credits per year (minimum of 2 years in 1 CTE program to be eligible for skilled proficiency).

Activities and Athletics

A comprehensive program of curricular and co-curricular activities is offered at Somerset County Vocational & Technical High School. Within the career majors, the students participate in career readiness live work performance experiences. Some experiences include restaurant management within the Somerset County Vocational & Technical High School's restaurant, Trade Wins. Graphic design orders are created and printed in the school's Paw Prints design and print shop. Live work studies are found in several other programs including Automotive/Diesel Technology, Agricultural Science, Carpentry, Cosmetology, and Welding.

All students have the opportunity to participate in SkillsUSA. As per its description found on the Somerset County Vocational & Technical High School's website, "SkillsUSA is a national nonprofit student organization that serves students enrolled in career and technical education training programs at our nation's public high schools and colleges. SkillsUSA's mission is to empower its members to become world class workers and responsible American citizens."

SkillsUSA complements technical skills training with instruction in the employability skills that make a well-rounded worker and citizen. Founded in 1965, SkillsUSA has developed nearly 9.5 million workers through active partnerships between employers and educators.

In addition to co-curricular activities, Somerset County Vocational and Technical High School competes in interscholastic sports such as basketball, baseball, softball and soccer.



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SCVTHS Class of 2015 Student Outcomes

79% of Graduating Students Responding

