

## GENERAL INFORMATION

Career-technical education offers an opportunity to learn the skills you need to begin the career of your choice. Not only will you learn specific skills, you will also learn what will be expected of you in the world of work, as well as how to apply and interview for jobs.

## WHO CAN ATTEND?

The South Stark Career Academy is open to all Stark County students who have earned a junior class status (freshman class status for Project Lead the Way Engineering program) prior to the start of their career-technical program. If you are not a Canton South, East Canton, Perry, or Sandy Valley student, please see your school counselor to see if you are eligible to enroll in one of our “unique” programs. Students interested in the Career-Based Intervention programs may be of any class status (freshman through senior).

## WHERE ARE THE CLASSES LOCATED?

The programs of the South Stark Career Academy are located at four separate sites. Some programs are located at Canton South, some at Perry, and some at Sandy Valley. Where the student will attend will depend solely on which program is chosen. The location of the program is situated directly beneath the program description name in this catalog.

## HOW DO I REGISTER?

Contact your school counselor and request program registration materials and additional information on specific career-technical programs available to you. You may also contact the Director of Career and Technical Education at (330) 484-8000.

## WHAT ABOUT STUDENT FEES?

Tuition is not charged for district residents or for any student that is a resident of a Stark County school that is applying for a tech prep program. Payment plans can be worked out through the Director of CTE’s Office to cover the cost of tools, uniforms, workbooks and other essentials necessary for some programs. Assistance is also available to students with financial need. Please do not let money get in your way of taking one of our programs. We want no student excluded and will work with you to help you make it happen.

## WHAT ABOUT TRANSPORTATION?

Transportation to and from the CTE programs is usually provided by the “home” high school of the student. Driving directly to the site of the CTE program by a student is at the discretion of that student’s home school. Students receiving permission to drive must obtain a parking permit from the school which he/she will attend for the CTE program.

## WHAT ABOUT PROGRAMS THAT ARE FULL?

All career-technical education programs have limited enrollment, therefore students are encouraged to apply early. All programs review the applications and acceptance into a program is based upon the applicant’s grades, attendance record, behavioral records and, in some instances, a personal interview. Students may be placed on a waiting list and/or contacted to inquire if they wish to pursue an alternative career-technical program.

## WHAT ARE MY ACADEMIC OPTIONS?

Students attending the South Stark Career Academy have the opportunity to enroll in any/all academic course work they may need in an effort to complete their graduation requirements. The school counselors will work with the student to build a daily schedule that allows full participation in both the career-technical program and the completion of the academic course requirements needed for graduation. Students may attend the school hosting their particular program for a partial or full day. Please note that students are required to meet the graduation requirements of, and will receive a diploma from, their respective “home” high school.

## WHAT ABOUT THINGS LIKE DISCIPLINE, DRESS CODE, AND SCHOOL POLICIES?

Students must follow the rules and regulations of the school they are attending for that particular program. If a student is attending a different school than his/her own, he/she must follow the rules of that school while in that school. For example, if a student is attending a program at Canton South and the rule is no earrings, then the student is not permitted to wear earrings while attending classes at Canton South. Each school has its own rules and regulations and the student will receive a copy of these when he/she enrolls in that program. For a copy of these prior to enrollment, please contact the individual school.