



OCEAN COUNTY VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL SCHOOL TECH TALK

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OCVTS STUDENTS COMPETE AT SKILLSUSA

Students from throughout the Ocean County Vocational Technical School district competed on Saturday January 25th at the regional SkillsUSA Competition held at the OCVTS Brick Center.

Areas of competition included: Cosmetology, Culinary Arts, Architecture, Automotive Technology, Construction Trades, Photography, Website Design and Computer Technology. In addition many OCVTS programs promoted their programs through interactive displays and demonstrations. There were prizes, giveaways face painting and plenty of refreshments.

Student competitors who scored highest in their program competitions will then advance to the New Jersey SkillsUSA Competition held in April.

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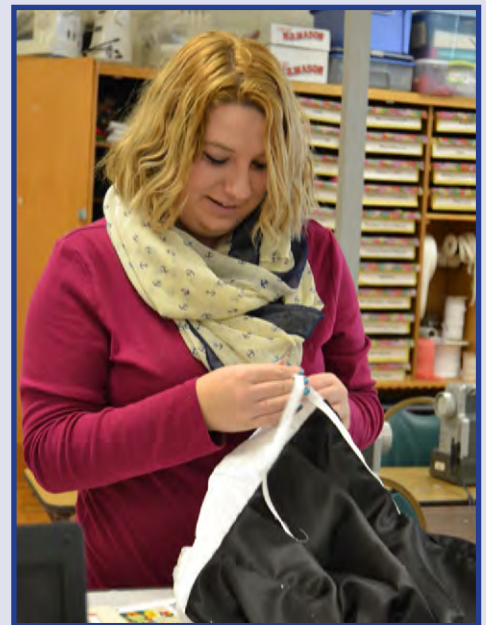


“If your actions inspire others to dream more, learn more, do more and become more, you are a leader.”

~ John Quincy Adams



Students showcase their skills and creativity during the SkillsUSA Competition and Open House



OCVTS HOLDS ANNUAL OPEN HOUSE

OCVTS held its Annual Open House held on February 6th. The Open House is an opportunity for prospective students and the general public to tour classrooms and workshops and talk to instructors.

Instructors and current students were available to answer questions and demonstrate many of the skills taught in their programs.

OCVTS admission representatives visit local high schools and provide career training information to sophomores and juniors. Students are then encouraged to attend the Open House to find out more about an of the career programs they may be considering.

A special Information Session for high school seniors and adults was held just prior to the Open House. This session highlighted the new OCVTS Accelerated Training Programs: Cuisine on the Green, the new Ocean County Center for Culinary Arts; New Home Construction; and Twilight Automotive Technology and Twilight Cosmetology.

The featured programs allow students to complete a training program in just one year. The information session included an informative video, information about Financial Aid Assistance and Job Placement Services as well as a question and answer portion.

Ocean County Vocational Technical School recognized a trend in the increased enrollment of adult students interested in re-training and re-entering the workforce. OCVTS focused on the development of innovative approaches to address the unique needs of adult learners.

OCVTS has offered Cosmetology during Twilight hours (late afternoon/early evening) for several years. Cuisine on the Green, the new Ocean County Center for Culinary Arts; New Home Construction; and Twilight Automotive Technology are three new programs that were launched in September 2013.

For more information about these exciting new programs visit www.ocvts.org.



Adult students attend a Special Information Session about accelerated training programs.

Students and instructors showcase their programs during the Annual Open House



OCVTS HOSTS CAREER FAIR AT LAKEWOOD HIGH SCHOOL

Students and instructors from Ocean County Vocational Technical School programs participated in a career fair at Lakewood High School in January. Programs including: Aviation/Aerospace Technology, Custom Cabinetmaking, Culinary Arts, Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning & Refrigeration, Electrical Trades, Plumbing, Child Care Professions, Audio for Electronic Media, Architectural/Engineering Design, Marine Trades, Construction Trades, Design and Visual Communication presented interactive displays with skills demonstrations, tools, finished projects, Power Point presentations, even a flight simulator to provide Lakewood students with an in-depth preview of each

training program. OCVTS instructors answered questions and current OCVTS students shared their experiences and successes with hundreds of students who visited the event.

OCVTS Student Services representatives schedule several career fairs at Ocean County middle schools and high schools throughout the year. According to Admission Representative Nicole Wallner, "Many students are not aware that OCVTS has so many programs to offer. The career fairs are a great way to introduce them to OCVTS in a casual setting. They are able to ask questions and see what types of projects they could be doing. It gives them something to think about for their future."



MATES STUDENTS ARE VICTORIOUS AT COUNTY MOCK TRIAL

Students from the Marine Academy of Technology and Environmental Science have participated in the Vincent J. Apruzzese Mock Trial Competition for the past five years. The competition which strives to increase comprehension of the historical, ethical and philosophical basis of the American system and essentially bring law to life for students through active preparation and participation is sponsored by the New Jersey State Bar Foundation.

This year MATES clinched the county championship title. The team defeated Jackson Liberty and Central Regional in the preliminary rounds held at the Justice Complex in Toms River. They then faced Jackson Memorial in historic Court Room No. 1 and emerged victorious. Judges Blaney and Roe presided over the trial. They complimented the students on the skillful way they fielded questions on cross examination, their

effective use of leading questions, and their ability to handle exhibits. Judge Roe observed, "Many experienced attorneys have not fared nearly as well."

The team advanced to the Regional Mock Trial Competition at the Law Center in New Brunswick, NJ, where despite an admirable showing were edged out of the championship by a school from Cape May County.



UPCOMING EVENTS

- Undecided Senior Open House.....June 4
- Hair Cut a Thon June 9 & 16
- Student Recognition Ceremony June 10



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