

Career & Technical Education (CTE) at TMHS



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WHY CTE?

Focus on Career-Ready AND College-Ready



CTE programs provide the ability to earn college credit, industry-based

certifications, work-based learning opportunities & a multitude of post-secondary options, like a 4-year degree, Associates degree, or military pathway.

Girls Can Do It Too!

Females have been typically underrepresented in careers such as Welding, Robotics, and Engineering and have been non-traditional for their gender. Females have the potential—just like their male counterparts --to combine their learned technical skills with their developed employability skills to find great success. There are many opportunities in scholarships, and recruitment strategies by employers.

Discover Passion and Purpose.

Through work-based learning, dual enrollment courses, and exposure to real working environments, students are exposed to their passion and

purpose before they decide to invest money and time into their post-secondary education.

Post-secondary Training and Education = Early and Often!

CTE is for ALL students and ALL careers so it's important that students have the opportunity to begin their post-secondary path with a foot already in the door. Educators and parents want to ensure exposure to all opportunities that fit the interests and goals for each student. This is what sets CTE apart-- students are college and career ready.

Show off your Soft Skills.

Students leave our CTE program with a similar knowledge base or technical skill capacity, but it's the soft skills that will set them apart from other potential hires. Grit, tenacity, hard-work, problem-solving, collaboration, initiative, resiliency, and the ability to show up mentally and physically are some of the many attributes employers are looking for. CTE programs provide this avenue in developing those skills.

Source: <https://www.acteonline.org/>

CAREER & TECHNICAL STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS



Career and Technical student organizations (CTSOs) provide students with additional opportunities to

acquire and demonstrate skills and abilities related to their chosen career field.

Check out our Student Organizations at TM High School

- ★ Business Professionals of America (BPA)
- ★ DECA
- ★ Family, Career & Community Leaders of America (FCCLA)
- ★ HOSA -Future Health Professionals
- ★ Technology Student Association (TSA)
- ★ Future Farmers of America (FFA)
- ★ T-M Law Enforcement Club
- ★ Speech & Debate
- ★ Robotics Team

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BUSINESS & MARKETING EDUCATION

The Business & Marketing Department gives students an avenue of multiple career opportunities. Students considering careers in and/or college majors in Business Administration, Business Law, Finance, Accounting and Marketing will find these courses to be hands-on and project based.

At TMHS, teachers, Mrs. Lamar Cardenas, Ms. Debby Hughes, Mr. Robert Jackson and Ms. Melissa Jimenez teach in the Business Department. They are currently preparing their BIM students to be certified in MOS (Microsoft Office Specialist).

Certification, particularly entry-level certification, helps to build a skilled workforce that meets the needs of local employers and industry initiatives. The skills they acquire through our program are transferrable across many platforms.

Microsoft Office Specialist (MOS) 2016 provides industry-leading assessments of skills and knowledge through our new project-based testing, giving students and professionals real-world exercises to appraise their understanding of Microsoft Office.

Business teachers will start testing their students for certification in December 2018. The end goal is to help students find meaningful employment. "There are several approaches to accomplish this goal and that's why we offer multiple pathways for students." says, Ms. Debby Hughes.

Graduate of TM CTE program, Andres Gomez & 1st year college student in the paralegal program says, ... "What I learned in BIM has helped me in all my college classes. I'd be struggling if it wasn't for the technical skills I now have."



Left: 2018-2019 Business Professional of America Club Members

Right: 2018-2019 DECA Club Members

