



# HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

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All interested students need to fill out an application and be accepted.

Our application system is currently live and accepting applications! We encourage everyone to apply as early as possible, but there is no preferential treatment for students who complete their application on open house night. **This is not a first come first serve style placement.** Students that apply on Dec. 1 have the same chance as students that apply on Dec 28. Applying prior to January 1 is what is important.

Applicants must create an account using an email address that is frequently checked and choose a password of their own making. We will send most correspondence to that email address; we can't always make multiple attempts to contact you, so being diligent about checking email is very important.

Students that reside (regardless of what school they currently attend) in our Career Tech Planning District (CTPD) will get priority placement.

The following districts are part of our CTPD

- Franklin City
- Lebanon City
- Kings Local
- Little Miami Local
- Springboro Community
- Wayne Local

Students who reside in our CTPD who submit an application **BY January 1, 2023** automatically earn **ADVANTAGE+** status.

Students who reside in our CTPD who submit an application AFTER **January 1, 2023** automatically earn **ADVANTAGE** status.

Students who reside OUTSIDE of our CTPD who submit an application BY **January 1, 2023** automatically earn **STANDBY+** status and will be placed only after May 1st.

Students who reside OUTSIDE of our CTPD who submit an application AFTER **January 1, 2023** automatically earn **STANDBY** status and will be placed only after May 1st.

For complete placement status details, check out our [2023 Acceptance Process Document](#).

The application process will continue through the summer, but many programs will fill to capacity prior to that time. You are encouraged to complete your application as soon as possible for the best chance of being accepted into your first program of choice.

## How are students selected to attend the WCCC?

As an effort to ensure an equitable application process for all students, the career center utilizes a lottery-style admission practice for enrollment. This process ensures that all students that reside in our CTPD have equal opportunities to be placed in one of our career tech programs. The best way to be accepted into the career center in a particular program is to apply during the **ADVANTAGE+** application window from December 1st and January 1st. Again, this is NOT first apply, first placed, all Advantage+ applicants have the same opportunity to be placed.

## Do all students who apply to the career center get accepted?

Sadly, the answer is no. Unfortunately, due to enrollment caps, each specific career technical program (based on safety, lab size, career-related standards, etc.) has a preset number of students it can

accept each year. Most of our programs are capped at 25 students per year.

## What credits should my student have earned?

Ideally, students should have earned the following credits by the end of their 10th grade year.

- 2 English credits,
- 2 math credits,
- 2 science credits,
- 1 American history,
- 1 world history,
- ½ credit physical education, &
- ½ credit health.

## What is your philosophy about attendance?

Excused absences are fine, but unexcused absences can negatively affect our students. Because career technical education focuses on hands-on learning, attendance is especially important for our students. People who attend the career center need to be present to gain experience in or on equipment and processes; furthermore, many programs need to earn a certain amount of hours of career-related experience for certification and credentialing.

## How will I be notified if my student is accepted?

Our goal is to notify applicants in the order below:

- **ADVANTAGE+ Applicants:** By February 1st
- **ADVANTAGE Applicants:** Ongoing after February 1st
- **STANDBY+ Applicants:** Starting May 1st
- **STANDBY Applicants:** Ongoing after May 1st

Notifications will be sent to the email address listed on the application.

## Warren County Career Center Questions

- What kind of academic classes do you offer?

The career center offers different types of academics to support every type of learner. There are plenty of rigorous courses for the highly motivated or college bound student.

- What does a typical day at the career center look like?

If your student is a full-day student at the career center, she will have academics for half of the day, lunch, and then career technical lab for the other half. The order of these activities varies depending on what lab is chosen and the year the student is in school.

- Can my student go to college if he attends the career center?

Absolutely! Our students have several great career paths available to them in their future. Students can go directly into the workforce with the skills they have learned with us or decide to go onto college to continue their education. Some students use the skills they have learned to get higher paying jobs in the field so they can pay off college faster. We're in the business of opening doors; we provide the opportunity and you and your student decide what works best for your own unique situation.

- Can my student receive college credit through the career center?

Yes! Not only do we offer the same college track opportunities as the home schools, we also offer extra college track opportunities that can't be delivered through traditional academics..

### CTAGs:

- CTAGs are additional credits offered through the career technical labs. Each CT lab has its own specific CTAGs. Please see a CT teacher to learn more information about what credit opportunities exist within any given program.

### CCP:

- Some of our college credits are earned through our academics. We offer College Credit Plus (CCP) courses in Advanced English (senior), pre-calculus, calculus, government and psychology.

### AP Credits:

- Some other college credit opportunities are earned through Advanced Placement or AP classes. The offerings we presently have are AP English Language & Composition (junior year) and AP English Literature & Composition (senior year).

### Tech Prep:

- Some other college credit opportunities can be earned through Sinclair College. These credits can be transferred to other universities. The classes currently offered for these classes are tech math, business math, medical math, and human biology.

## Home School Related Questions

- How many credits does my student need to graduate?

That is dependent on your student's home school. Each high school is different and every one of them independently determines what credits they require. All students who come to the career center should have a graduation plan when they come to the career center. For more graduation requirement information, please make an appointment with your home school counselor.

As career center students, individual credit checks are done at the beginning, middle and end of each school year to track graduation progress.

- **My student is on a 504 or IEP. Will that transfer over from their home school?**

Yes, of course it will! Homeschool counselors are in charge of sending over all current 504s and IEPs. The career center will follow them just as the home schools would have. We presently have nine Intervention Specialists (IS), seven at the Main Campus and two at Atrium Campus, to help serve your student.

Typically, before the student starts attending the career center, one of our Intervention Specialists will attend a special meeting at the home district where the needs and interventions are addressed. It is a perfect time to make sure the transition to the career center is a smooth one. For more information, please see a career center Intervention Specialist or an intervention specialist at your home school..

- **How does transportation to the career center work?**

Every school district is different in terms of busing. Transportation is organized by the home school. When students enroll at the career center, guardians have to submit a request for a change in transportation through the home district.

[District Transportation Info](#)

## Miscellaneous Great Questions

- **Can students still participate in activities at their home school?**

Absolutely! One of the great things about the career center's schedule is that its students are dismissed prior to their home schools so that they can also catch home school buses that will take them home. An

added benefit is that they are ready for after school activities just like the students who don't attend the career center.

Every year we have students active in activities like athletics, band, chorus, and dance. Students who attend the career center have an even greater bonus in that they have additional activities to enhance a student's high school experience. All students are encouraged to participate in [CTSOs](#), or career technical student organizations. We also have a prom for students some time in the spring.

- **Is there a fee to attend the career center?**

Just as students have school fees at their home schools, there are specific costs associated with each specific lab. Lab fees are subject to change, but keeping costs low is currently an initiative of the district. Every year fees are evaluated to provide the best opportunities while still at the lowest cost.

Every student who attends the career center is assessed a fee for a Chromebook. It is paid over the course of two years. After student fees have been fully paid, the Chromebook issued to the student officially belongs to the student and is theirs to take with them after graduation.

Fees for the following school year are posted by the time of our spring new student Meet & Greet. To get a general idea of what fees to expect, below is a student fee info sheet for each career technical lab for the 2022-2023 school year.

[School Fees from 22-23](#)

- **Which school calendar does my student follow?**

As a career center student, they are expected to attend school when the WCCC calendar indicates that school is in session. For instance, if the career center begins on a Monday and the student's home school begins the following day, your student is still expected to report to school on Monday. If there is any question, it is recommended that



families refer to the board adopted WCCC school calendar posted on our website.

- **How do weather delays or closings work?**

When there is a delay or closing due to inclement weather, for safety reasons you always follow your home school's schedule. If your home school delays due to inclement weather, your student is delayed.

Home school buses are also delayed to deliver students to the career center. If your home school is closed, your student does not need to attend school on that day. **IMPORTANT:** In ALL OTHER situations where a home school is off or delayed, the student follows the WCCC schedule.

- **What happens if my student's home district is closed for a reason OTHER than weather?**

Your student is expected to report to the career center as usual. If the career center is in session, your student is expected to be there. Please refer to the official school calendar for what days the WCCC is in session. There are times when the in-session dates of your home school and the career center simply won't match. This often happens with the start and ending date of the school year.

- **Does my student still graduate from their school?**

Your student is still considered a graduate from their home school. The diploma is earned through the home school and students still must follow their own district's graduation requirements.

Career Center students who have completed all graduation requirements get the opportunity to celebrate their accomplishment formally two times, once with their home school and then in a celebration with the Career Center.

- What if my student changes her mind about attending the career center?

Students have until June 1st to withdraw their application. After that, it is protocol that the student begins the school year at the career center and stays for the first five days of school. We have worked with our affiliate schools to ensure this is enough time to get acclimated to a new school to make a more informed decision on their education and not get behind if they still choose to return to their home school. After these days are over and if the student still wants to leave, she may return to the home school.

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