

# GREAT OAKS INSTITUTE OF CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT

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[Great Oaks](#) is one of the largest career technical school districts in the United States and serves as the Career and Technical Education Department for 36 affiliated school districts in southwest Ohio. Great Oaks provides the following services for youth: technical foundations courses in many affiliated schools; workforce development programs in business and marketing in several affiliated schools; career and technical programs at four campuses. Students attend a Great Oaks campus during their junior and senior years. Most Loveland students attend either Live or Scarlet Oaks.

Students have access to more than 35 different career majors that prepare them to continue their education or go directly into entry-level positions in hundreds of occupational fields. The career majors are organized in the following career pathways:

- Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources
- Architecture and Construction
- Arts, Audio/Video Technology and Digital TV
- Education and Training
- Health Science
- Hospitality and Tourism
- Human Services
- Information Technology
- Law, Public Safety, Corrections and Security
- Manufacturing
- Transportation, Distribution and Logistics

Students choose a career program from one of the pathways and the curriculum for each, including the academic subjects, is designed to meet Ohio Department of Education standards, affiliated high school graduation requirements and the demands of local business and industry. Before choosing a program, students should refer to the Essential Skills information provided in each [program's description](#) to determine the skills needed to successfully complete a program.

Students attending Great Oaks spend 2½ hours in their career major laboratories with lab instructors who have experience working in the field. Students spend the remainder of the day completing academic coursework. For detailed information on lab and academic course offerings, please refer to the [Great Oaks Course Guide](#).

Students are encouraged to continue to participate in sports and other extracurricular activities at their home schools. They will also have the opportunity to participate in leadership activities at the career campus through: Career-Technical Student Organizations, Student Council, Junior ROTC and National Technical Honor Society. Loveland City School District provides bus transportation to and from Live and Scarlet Oaks originating at and returning to LHS. Students considering Diamond or Laurel Oaks should speak to their school counselor regarding transportation needs. Students will earn a Loveland High School diploma while at the same time earning certificates and credentials through Great Oaks. Attendance at Great Oaks is free for high school students.

Great Oaks graduates will be both career-ready and college-ready, with over half of the graduates attending college after graduation. Further education is encouraged through

scholarship opportunities through Great Oaks, the Ohio Board of Regents Scholarship and several postsecondary and community agencies.

**Interested students are encouraged to apply early by going to [greateaks.com](http://greateaks.com) (application review begins in early February of the sophomore year) as programs fill quickly.** Students need to have a minimum of 8 credits completed before applying, to include at least the following:

- 2 credits of math
- 2 credits of English
- 1 credit of social studies
- 1 credit of science

For more information, please visit their website at [greateaks.com](http://greateaks.com).