

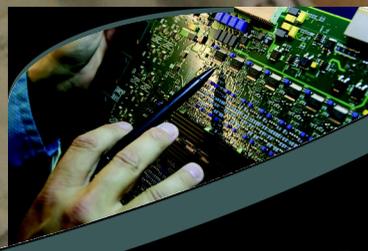
CAREER & TECHNICAL

Education News

**“I’d like a career
making good wages.”**

**“I’m not sure what to do
after high school.”**

**“Where can I begin
training for a great career
while still in high school?”**



**Look inside
to learn more!**



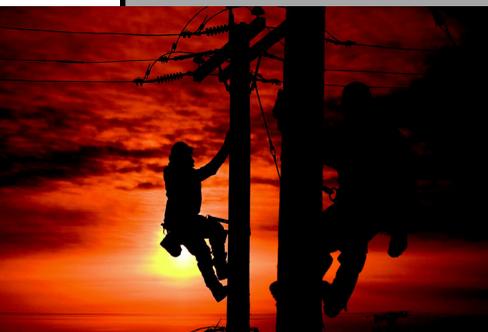
“I’m not sure about college. What kind of opportunities will be available to me after high school?”

“What kind of future is available to me if I choose the CTE classes?”

Depending on the area in which you choose to focus your studies, a wide variety of opportunities will be available to you, such as:

- Community college
- Associate degree
- Trade or technical school
- Full four-year degree

Upper Peninsula employers are seeing a labor shortage in skilled areas and you could help fill that void.



Lots of high school students just like you are not sure how they want to further their education after graduation. If you aren't sure, a very viable option is to **choose a career and technical education program (CTE) at your high school.** The CTE program will allow you to finish your high school diploma while putting you on a path that can lead to:

- **Good paying jobs** close to home.
- **Hands-on work experience** while you learn so you are ready to follow your career path when you are graduated from high school.

- **Earning college credits** to get a jump-start on a college education if you choose to pursue that route.



“I’d like a career making good wages. Is that even possible in the Upper Peninsula?”

Absolutely. In fact, Upper Peninsula employers expect a high demand for technically skilled manufacturing and construction employees over the course of the next 10 years, as the current workforce members retire.



The jobs that are expected to become available over the next 10 years are solid, career-track positions that offer excellent wages and good benefits. **They are family-sustaining salaried or hourly positions that will enable you to**

support yourself and a family, allow you to purchase a home and live comfortably.

The Michigan Department of Labor estimates that thousands of manufacturing, forest products, and energy industry jobs will become available in the Upper Peninsula in the coming decade. Manufacturers need skilled employees to fill these jobs.

“What will I learn in a CTE program?”

Students will learn a core program devoted to the basics of manufacturing and industrial work. Students will then have the opportunity to select a training program that best suits their interests and will involve studies in one of the following areas:

- electronics and electrical systems
- mechanical systems
- manufacturing systems
- automotive and equipment service
- chemical process technologies
- other technical and manufacturing fields such as welding, HVACR and hydraulics
- construction trades, such as electricians, pipe fitters or carpenters



“Will I have to leave the area to find a job?”

Students following this career path may not need to leave the area to find employment. Though no one can guarantee anyone a job, the state of Michigan has provided western Marquette County school districts and their partners a grant to develop this CTE program because of the anticipated exceptional need for employees in these fields in the coming years. The Michigan Department of Labor estimates that **thousands of manufacturing, forest products, mining and energy industry jobs will become available in the Upper Peninsula in the coming decade.**



“Where will I go to school? Will I graduate with my friends?”

This shared program is open to students in the NICE, Ishpeming, Negaunee and Republic-Michigamme school districts. Classes for this program will be held at Westwood High School. However, students will still be considered a part of their home school district.



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“I’m not sure what to do after high school.”

If you aren't sure that a full four-year college program is for you, consider looking into the many exciting high tech jobs that are available to you if you choose to pursue a career and technical education program (CTE) while still in high school. Students in the CTE program will earn their diploma while learning a skills that can lead to great paying jobs right here in the Upper Peninsula. You may even be able to earn college credit for the classes you take, so you'll have a jump start on post-high school educational opportunities.

“When will this program begin and how do I enroll?”

Classes for the CTE program will begin in the Fall of 2007. To enroll in the program, visit with your guidance counselor when you sign up for Fall 2007 courses.

“How can I learn more?”

For more detailed information, visit our website at

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