Career Tech West

DO THE CLASSES COUNT AS HIGH SCHOOL CLASSES?

- Yes, when students successfully complete a semester, one credit is earned. Upon completion of the 2 years, students would earn 4 elective credits
- 1/2 of a Health Credit is earned at the completion of Health Science I
- 2 Science credits are earned at the completion of the 2-year Health Science program
- 2 science credits are earned at completion of the 2-year Engineering program
- 1 art credit is earned at the completion of the 2-year Digital Media program
- Students may earn 1 Dual credit course in IT
- Students may earn 2 Dual credit courses in Automotive
- Students may earn 1 Dual credit course in Culinary

HOW DO CTC WEST CLASSES FIT INTO MY SCHEDULE?

 We have worked with the high schools to schedule classes so that students are only away from their base school for approximately one block.

WHEN AND HOW CAN I APPLY? CAN WE TOUR? WHEN WILL WE FIND OUT?

- Applications are available online and will open January 17, 2020
- Applications can be completed online at ctcw-desotocountyschools-org.
- Applications close Friday, March 6
- Students may tour with their base school on the scheduled date.
- 9th Grade Parent Open House will be February 27 6:30-7:30 PM
- 10th Grade Parent Open House will be March 5 6:30-7:30 PM
- All applications are reviewed by a committee to determine acceptance based on requirements and availability
- Students will be notified of acceptance or waitlist in April via the email provided

IS THERE A FEE?

- There is no fee to apply or join the program
- Programs may have a class fee to cover the rest of student supplies, not exceeding \$30
- Students have the opportunitiy to get involved in clubs which require a fee for membership which will vary by course and is not required

HOW DOES TRANSPORTATION WORK?

- 2nd Year students are permitted to drive
- All Health Science II students will need to provide their own transportation to and from clinicals
- Students from OBHS, LBHS, and CHHS will need to provide their own transportation

IS CTC BENEFICIAL? WILL IT PREPARE ME FOR BOTH COLLEGE AND CAREER?

- 93% of CTE students graduate high school 13% higher than the US national average
- More than 91% of CTE students attend some form of postsecondary education
- All programs in DeSoto County offer postsecondary options
- · CTC works with all students to help them plan and prepare for both college and career

HOW DOES CTC FIT INTO MY ENDORSEMENT? CAN I ONLY PICK CTC?

- Students may earn the CTE Endorsement with the Distinguished, Academic, or Traditional diploma options
- Under the distinguished option, CTC would account for 4 of the 8 required electives
- Under the academic option, CTC would account for 4 of the 7 1/2 required electives
- CTC offers dual credit options
- All CTC courses are articulated
- The WorkKeys portion of the endorsement will be offered in the 2nd year of the CTC program
- Students can complete a CTC program and not receive the CTC Endorsement

ARE THERE PRE-REQUISITES?

- C or higher in last completed Algebra course
- C or higher in last completed English course
- C or higher in Biology if the student is applying to Health Science

HOW ARE STUDENTS SCORED?

- Overall GPA
- Grade in math
- Grade in English
- Grade in biology-if the student is applying for Health Science only.
- Attendance
- Discipline