
BCIT creating opportunities for future employment in the trades

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Over the past year, Burlington County Institute of Technology has aggressively assessed and upgraded its technical education programs to meet the growing demand of employers in Burlington and surrounding counties. Whether in the adult division or in either of our two high schools, BCIT is committed to preparing students to earn college credits whether a high school student or apprentice.

In our adult division, individuals with high school diplomas or more can engage in apprenticeships, pre-apprenticeship and intern programs to prepare for what the US Department of Labor has identified as "In-Demand Career Fields." Students in our high schools may select a career major among a wide range of industrial and academic pursuits.

This past school year, in partnership with Rowan College at Burlington County, BCIT launched a program in advanced manufacturing and fabrication which is now full after only one year. In addition, BCIT identified three key areas where virtual reality could support the curriculum, offering non-traditional students exposure



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to welding, auto-body and collision, and law and public safety.

Virtual reality engages students in a near reality that mirrors every aspect of welding, car painting or gun safety. Students in pre-engineering will have

the opportunity to earn their Federal Aviation Association Drone Pilot License to meet employer needs.

For the first time in September, BCIT will launch a new School of Construction Technology. This School will directly

respond to the demand for skilled workers in construction trades in the state. This construction technology pathway allows students to earn industrial credentials in carpentry, electrical, HVAC/R, plumbing and welding.

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The School of Construction Technology will incorporate field experiences through monthly field trips to various union and non-union operations. Students will have opportunities to interact with invited journeypersons, artisans and apprentices on campus who will provide an overview of a trade through live demonstrations. They will also discuss the applications of key program learning at BCIT to real world demands in the building trades.

BCIT will also hold a Career Trades Fair where union and non-union representatives from around the State will meet with students and provide live demonstrations for bricklaying, masonry, carpentry, welding, painting, plumbing, ironwork,



BCIT will hold a Career Trades Fair on November 5 at their Medford Campus.



electrical, heating and air conditioning among a host of other options. The fair will be held on November 15, 2017 as part of National Apprenticeship Week on the BCIT Medford Campus. These demonstrations will be designed to provide a glimpse of the career opportunities that await students upon graduation.

BCIT is committed to customized learning to meet employer needs. BCIT encourages employers to become educational partners and invest in our students and provide on-the-job training opportunities. BCIT is dedicated to being an incubator for learning and leading and to be a "go-to" solution for employer needs.

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