



# PASSAIC COUNTY TECHNICAL INSTITUTE

## 2023-2024 HIGH SCHOOL PROFILE



### The School

Passaic County Technical Institute (PCTI) is part of Passaic County Technical Vocational Schools (PCTVS) a national award-winning, comprehensive career and technical high school district serving over 4,500 students. Located on a 55+ acre campus in Wayne, NJ, the school accepts students from all municipalities in Passaic County. Over 400 faculty members deliver the curriculum of 200 courses and career areas.

A student can:

Earn 30 college credits in high school

- Gain both on-campus and on-the-job experience in over 30 different careers
- Join one of PCTI's 14 popular programs of study
- Take part in dozens of community service projects
- Enjoy PCTI's exciting athletic program. Through more than two dozen sports, young adults learn the true value of sportsmanship and teamwork
- Compete in academic, artistic, and vocational forums for state and national honors
- Benefit through the PCTVS "It Starts with One," "Like No Place Else," "Can't Stop the Feeling," "We Are", "PCT & I" "imaglNe", "Ready. Set. Go!" and "Level Up!" campaigns

### MISSION STATEMENT

*"We are a diverse, progressive learning community that promotes educational excellence by challenging our students to become knowledgeable, productive and socially conscious members of a global society through quality educational programs delivered by a highly skilled and dedicated staff in a nurturing environment."*

### Awards and Achievements

The following highlights a number of recent PCTI honors:

- Numerous grants, scholarships, financial aid, and merit awards granted to 2023 graduates from community, school, business and post-secondary institutions.
- An athletic powerhouse, PCTI has won nineteen state championships and achieved many other legendary accomplishments- which include our Football State Championship, Wrestling State Championship, Winter Cheerleading, Boys Swimming Co-ed Varsity State Championship and many other County and Big North Conference Liberty Division Championships!
- More than 500 students of the 2023 graduating class received local, state, and national honors for superior academic, career, and athletic achievements.
- Numerous prestigious awards including: placement in national NASA HUNCH Challenge, National ProStart Culinary Competition; WISE, Financial Literacy Competition in large high school division and top ten overall in nation; ranked in the top 40% of schools nationwide by US News & World Report.
- PCTVS has been named Project Lead The Way School of Distinction.
- Named NASA HUNCH Center of Excellence for our partnership with Nasa Hunch. PCTVS is only the second educational institution to receive this esteemed recognition.
- PCTI student received the NJ Governor's Award (NJGAAE) for their outstanding contribution to the performing arts.
- Forty-two student organizations enhance special interests and inspire school unity and spirit!
- National, state, and local recognition for extraordinary patriotic and extensive community service
- Students of PCTVS were selected to compete in the Bioethics in Diversity STEM debate challenge held by the global medical technology company, Becton Dickinson.

## Graduation Requirements

In order to qualify for a PCTI diploma, a student must earn a total of 167.5 credits which include the following:

Language Arts	20	credits
Math (Algebra 1, Geometry, Algebra 2)	15	credits
Social Studies	15	credits
Physical Education	15	credits
Health Education	5	credits
World Language	5	credits
Science	15	credits
Electives	15	credits
Financial Literacy	2.5	credits
Visual and Performing Arts	5	credits
CTE Program/Career Exploration	55	credits

\*Included in the vocational studies. Each student is required to complete four years of Technical/Vocational training of which 17.5 credits must be successfully earned in grade 12.

## Career and Technical Education Programs

Students can apply to:

Academy of Criminal Justice	School of Communication Arts
Academy of Finance	School of Construction Technology
Academy of Information Technology	School of Cosmetology
Academy of Health & Medical Sciences	School of Culinary Arts
School of Applied Engineering	School of Education/Human Services
School of Automotive Technology	School of Performing Arts
School of Business Careers	

### Majors include:

Advertising Art & Design, Automotive Technology, Business, Carpentry, Computer Science, Cosmetology, Criminal Justice/Public Safety, Culinary Arts, Drafting/CAD, Education & Child Development, Electrical, Electronics, Engineering, Finance, Graphic Design, Health Science/Medical Arts, HVAC/Refrigeration, Manufacturing Technology, Office Assisting, Performing Arts: Theater, Dance, Instrumental & Vocal, Plumbing/Heating, Video Production, Welding

## Extracurricular Programs

There are over 50 athletic and co-curricular programs offered to students at PCTI. The high school participates in the Big North Conference and has won state, county, and league championships in numerous sports from football to basketball, volleyball to track and wrestling. Among the 3,500 students, most participate in one or more of 42 student organizations including: Marching, Concert and Jazz Bands, LEAP (Leaders Emerging Among Peers), Gifted/Talented, as well as service clubs in Business, Finance, and Health.

## Post High School Plans

4yr/2yr University/College	76%
Employment	15%
Apprenticeships/Business	
Technical Schools	6%
Military Service	3%

## Grading System

Grade	Numeric	GPA
A+	98-100	4.2
A	92-97	4.0
A-	90-91	3.8
B+	88-89	3.5
B	82-87	3.0
B-	80-81	2.8
C+	78-79	2.5
C	72-77	2.0
C-	70-71	1.8
D+	68-69	1.5
D	65-67	1.0
F	0-64	0.0

### Code

I = Incomplete  
M = Medical Excuse  
NC = No Credit  
E = Excellent  
S = Satisfactory  
N = Needs Improvement  
U = Unsatisfactory

## Principal's Honor Roll

A or B in all courses & minimum of 3.8 GPA

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A or B in all courses



## School Counseling Department

Fourteen full-time, on-site school counselors are assigned to PCTI students by their chosen vocational areas.

### Vocational Area

Academy of Criminal Justice

Academy of Finance

Academy of Information Technology

Academy of Health & Medical Sciences

Biotechnology

School of Automotive Technology

School of Communication Arts

School of Construction Technology

School of Business

School of Cosmetology/Barbering

School of Culinary Arts

School of Education & Human Services

School of Performing Arts

School of Applied Engineering

### Counselor

S. Pinto/R. Watley

N. Neidleman/A. Shahin

D. Lewis/B. Hannigan

J. Aboyoun/L. Vacca

E. Rios

D. Diaz

J. Diaz/K. Najem

N. Christian

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S. Pinto/R. Watley

D. Lewis/B. Hannigan

A. Pudup./N. Christian

J. Diaz/K. Najem

## Post-Secondary Placement

Graduates of PCTI traditionally attend four year or two-year colleges and universities, a wide variety of technical and career schools or enlist in the United States Armed Forces.

*Bard College*

*Baylor University*

*Bentley University*

*Bergen Community College*

*Berkeley College Woodland Park Location*

*Bloomfield College of Montclair State University*

*Caldwell University*

*Central Connecticut State University*

*County College of Morris*

*Culinary Institute of America*

*Dean College*

*Dominican University New York*

*Drew University*

*Fairleigh Dickinson University-Florham Campus*

*Fairleigh Dickinson University-Metropolitan Campus*

*Fashion Institute of Technology*

*Felician University*

*Florida Institute of Technology*

*Fordham University*

*Fortis Institute - Wayne*

*Franklin Pierce University*

*Grand Valley State University*

*Grove City College*

*Hofstra University*

*Hudson County Community College*

*Kean University*

*Liberty University*

*Los Angeles Film School*

*Manhattan School of Music*

*Marist College*

*Messiah University*

*Monmouth University*

*Monroe College-New Rochelle*

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*Montclair State University*

*Morgan State University*

*New Jersey City University*

*New Jersey Institute of Technology*

*Northampton County Area Community College*

*Northeastern University*

*Nova Southeastern University*

*Ocean County College*

*Ohio Technical College*

*Pace University, Westchester Campus*

*Passaic County Community College*

*Pennsylvania State University  
-Penn State Main Campus*

*Pensacola Christian College*

*Princeton University*

*Ramapo College of New Jersey*

*Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute*

*Rider University*

*Robert Morris University*

*Rowan University*

*Rutgers University- New Brunswick*

*Rutgers University-Newark*

*Saint Elizabeth University*

*Saint Peter's University*

*Savannah College of Art & Design - SCAD*

*Seton Hall University*

*Spelman College*

*State University of New York at New Paltz*

*Stevens Institute of Technology*

*Stockton University*

*SUNY Maritime College*

*Syracuse University*

*Temple University*

*The College of New Jersey*

*Tompkins Cortland Community College*

*Unity College*

*University at Buffalo*

*University of Delaware*

*University of Hartford*

*University of Indianapolis*

*University of Massachusetts-Boston*

*University of New Haven*

*University of North Carolina at Charlotte*

*University of North Carolina at Greensboro*

*University of Rhode Island*

*University of South Carolina-Columbia*

*University of Tampa*

*University of the Arts*

*University of Vermont*

*Villanova University*

*Virginia State University*

*Virginia Tech*

*Wentworth Institute of Technology*

*Wilkes University*

*William Paterson University of New Jersey*



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