The Ocean County Vocational Technical School's Board of Education honored the Ocean County Training Center as the OCVTS 2015 Business Partner of the Year. Mr. Harold Morris, Director of the Training Center, accepted the award at the December OCVTS Board of Education meeting. The Ocean County Training Center opened its doors in September 1998 as the home of Ocean County’s fire and first aid training facility. The OCVTS Law and Public Safety program is housed in the training facility, which is located in Waretown, NJ. The students, who attended career-specific classes for half of their school day, have received extraordinary training opportunities through the daily operations of the facility; observing professional training sessions, participating in drills, and learning from guest speakers representing all areas of criminal justice professions.

September marked the inaugural year of the full-time OCVTS Academy of Law and Public Safety. Ocean County high school juniors and seniors can now receive all of the classes necessary for high school graduation integrated with criminal justice curriculum, at the Training Center. Mr. Morris was instrumental in overseeing the construction of an addition to the facility as well as creating a customized learning environment for the incoming students.

Ocean County Freeholder and OCVTS Liaison Joseph Vicari attended the presentation at the December Board meeting and commented, “The interest in Law and Public Safety is increasing every year and it is important that we are able to address the need for quality education and provide students with opportunities that they cannot receive anywhere else. We recognize Mr. Morris and the Ocean County Training Center for the dedication to our students and thank you for your continued involvement in the district.”

Mr. Morris addressed the board, commenting, “It is a pleasure to work with Ocean County Vocational Technical School. I have gotten to know many of the administrators, the teachers and the students who attend classes and I see that the program is making a difference in their lives. The opening of the new addition and the full-time program provides outstanding opportunities for students who are looking for a career in Law and Public Safety.”

The Business Partnership of the Year Award is sponsored by the New Jersey Council of County Vocational Technical Schools. Each of New Jersey’s 21 county vocational-technical school districts recognizes an organization annually. According to NJCCVTS President Timothy McCorkell “What our (recognized) business partners have in common is a passion for their work, and a commitment to the continued growth and evolution of our schools as a resource for both students and their own future workforces.”

So often you find that the students you are trying to inspire are the ones that end up inspiring you.

~Sean Junkins
Students and staff at the Ocean County Vocational Technical School's Brick Center partnered again this year with the FoodBank of Monmouth and Ocean Counties and prepared 3,000 Thanksgiving meals which were distributed through local social service agencies to those in need.

Culinary Arts students from the Brick Center, under the direction of their Culinary Arts instructors, prepared and roasted over 250 turkeys, as well as preparing traditional side dishes including: mashed potatoes, sweet potatoes, green bean casserole, stuffing, gravy and of course holiday pies. This year over twenty OCVTS Culinary Arts graduates returned to the Brick Center to lend a helping hand. Many of these graduates, who are currently working in the culinary field, took time off from their jobs to be part of this extraordinary project. Massive assembly lines of students packaged the meals and prepared them to be distributed to local social services such as the FoodBank of Monmouth and Ocean Counties, Preferred Behavioral Health, the Toms River People's Pantry and Ocean County Hunger Relief.

Fundraising efforts by Brick Center students, faculty and staff to collect food items and cash donations fund this annual community service project which began about 17 years ago. Donations through the FoodBank of Monmouth and Ocean Counties as well as various OCVTS vendors provided the food needed for the meals. A grant awarded to the project from the Ocean County Foundation for Vocational Technical Education assisted in the purchase of additional supplies.

When this community service project began about 38 meals were distributed. Over the years the demand has grown and with it the determination of the students and staff to help as many people as possible.
OCVTS ADMISSIONS TEAM HOSTS COUNSELOR WORKSHOPS

Over 75 Ocean County middle and high school guidance counselors gathered for a 2-day workshop hosted by Ocean County Vocational Technical School. This informative workshop, organized each year by OCVTS Student Services, provides counselors with all the updates and information they need to assist their students while making important decisions about their class schedules and future plans.

This year the workshop was held at the Ocean County Fire and First Aid Training Center in Waretown; home of the OCVTS Academy of Law & Public Safety. This is the inaugural year of the academy as a full-time program for 35 high school juniors and seniors. Students interested in careers in criminal justice and law enforcement receive extensive training in procedures in such areas as crime scene investigation, arrests and homeland security as well as receiving all academic subjects necessary for high school graduation requirements. Students provided demonstrations of high-risk traffic stop protocols, arrest procedures and crime scene investigation techniques.

A buffet lunch was prepared by the students from the Journey into Culinary Arts program from the nearby OCVTS Waretown Center.

This year the workshop included a mini career fair where several new OCVTS programs were showcased along with a sampling of other programs from throughout the spectrum of course offerings. Counselors were able to talk directly with OCVTS instructors and participate in hands-on skills demonstrations.

OCVTS SET TO LAUNCH NEW PROGRAMS

In September 2016 OCVTS will launch two NEW programs: Pre-Engineering Technology and Mechanical Services Technology, both two-year, shared-time programs.

The NEW Pre-Engineering Technology STEM-based program of study will prepare individuals to apply engineering principles and technical skills to the identification and resolution of production problems in the digital fabrication process. The areas of study this program will encompass are: engineering analysis, systems analysis, automation, computer-aided manufacturing (CAM), prototyping, instruction in machine operations, production, line operations, planning and design, quality control, and informational infrastructure.

This program emphasizes a diverse set of technical and academic skills, while incorporating valuable work-based learning experiences. Students will be exposed to current and relevant career pathways in related industry sectors such as industrial, mechanical, and electronic engineering, as well as furthering their education beyond the classroom.

The NEW Mechanical Services Technology program incorporates practical hands-on training and operating theory of today’s hot water, heating and air conditioning, and plumbing systems. Students will learn the skills needed to service, repair and install systems in all of these areas, making them marketable and career-ready in the mechanical trades industry. This course includes industry safety standards, blue print reading, electrical schematic diagrams, building codes, electrical control wiring and troubleshooting as well as piping installations and basic plumbing concepts. The prepared student will have a diverse technical background to choose a career in the Mechanical Trades.

Also in September 2016, The Audio Technology Program will change to a full-time academy for incoming juniors. Students will receive all of the required curriculum for high school graduation including math, science, language arts etc as well as an integrated program of study in sound production and audio technology. Students will train in state-of-the-art audio recording studios, working with industry professionals and recording artists.

The OCVTS Admissions Team has been actively recruiting students for the 2016-2017 school year. High School Admission Representative Nicole Wallner visited 17 high schools and presented OCVTS program information to over 4,300 Ocean County students.

Ms. Wallner commented, “I was very excited to ‘roll out’ our new program additions, Pre-Engineering Technology and Mechanical Services Technology, as well as announcing Audio Technology going full-time. The new programs were very well received by both students and counselors, and applications have been steadily coming in!”
SAVE THE DATE!!
OCVTS CAREER DISCOVERY DAY
SATURDAY, JANUARY 30
9AM-1 PM @OCVTS Brick Center
Ocean County Vocational Technical School Offers Career Programs for High School Students and Adults

College-Bound or Career-Bound, OCVTS Prepares Students for Success!
Stop In for a Day of Fun and Discover What’s Next!

FOOD - PRIZES
INTERACTIVE GAMES AND ACTIVITIES
CAREER PASSPORT GAME

WWW.OCVTS.ORG
DISTRICT OPEN HOUSE

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 4
6:30-8:30PM
Brick - Jackson - Lakehurst
Little Egg Harbor - Toms River - Waretown

OCEAN COUNTY VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL SCHOOL

Offers over 30 career and technical education training programs for high school students and adults

OCVTS PROGRAM LOCATOR GUIDE

OCVTS BRICK CENTER
350 Chambers Bridge Road
Automotive Technology (Tech Prep)
Building Construction Technology
Child Care Professions (Tech Prep)
Cosmetology
Culinary Arts (Tech Prep)
  Baking-Cooking - Restaurant Management - Bakery Fundamentals
Fashion Design/Merchandising (Tech Prep)
Design and Visual Communications (Tech Prep)
  Multimedia - Photography - Digital Reproduction
Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning and Refrigeration (Tech Prep)
Pre-Engineering Technology

OCVTS JACKSON CENTER
850 Toms River Road
Agricultural and Environmental Sciences (Tech Prep)
Automotive and Diesel Engine Technology (Tech Prep)
Automotive Technology (Tech Prep)
Collision Repair (Tech Prep)
Cosmetology
Custom Woodworking/Cabinetmaking
Electrical Trades

OCVTS LAKEHURST CENTER
Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst
Audio Technology - Full-Time for Incoming Juniors (Tech Prep)

OCVTS CUISINE ON THE GREEN
261 Country Club Boulevard, Little Egg Harbor
Cuisine on the Green, the Ocean County Center for Culinary Arts (Adults) (Tech Prep)

OCVTS TOMS RIVER CENTER
1299 Old Freehold Road
Cosmetology
Dental Assisting
Electrical Trades/Integrated Cabling
Health & Fitness Technology (Tech Prep)
Information Technology Careers
  Computer Science (Tech Prep) - Computer Service Repair
Marine Trades
Medical Administration
Medical Assistant
Medical Skills and Related Health Careers
Practical Nursing (Tech Prep) (Adults)
Welding

OCVTS WARETOWN CENTER
423 Wells Mills Road
Automotive Technology (Tech Prep)
Mechanical Services Technology
New Home Construction (Adults)
Twilight Automotive Technology (Adults)

OCEAN COUNTY TRAINING CENTER
Volunteer Way, Waretown
Academy of Law and Public Safety - Full-Time for Incoming Juniors (Tech Prep)

WWW.OCVTS.ORG

OCVTS 2015 GRADUATES...

CONTINUING EDUCATION 69%
EMPLOYMENT 28%
MILITARY 3%
BUY TICKETS NOW FOR THE 20TH ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL CHEF’S NIGHT OUT SCHEDULED FOR MARCH 7

The Ocean County Foundation for Vocational Technical Education will host the 20th Annual International Chef’s Night Out on Monday, March 7 at the Pine Belt Arena, Toms River from 6:00-9:00PM. Over 50 area restaurants, caterers, bakeries, specialty stores and beverage distributors are expected to participate. For the $50 admission fee attendees may sample an extensive variety of sweet and savory delicacies as well as some of the area’s fine wines and beverages. Chef’s Night Out is the largest fundraising event of the year for the Foundation. In addition to the magnificent food and beverage offerings there will be a 50/50 raffle, themed-gift basket raffles and door prizes.

Tickets are $50 in advance and $60 at the door. To purchase tickets go to www.ocvtschefsnightout.org. For more information call Alicia Carney at 732.286.5670 ext.3212 or Sharon Noble at 732.473.3100 ext. 3177. All proceeds benefit Ocean County Foundation for Vocational Technical Education. We invite you to join us for a spectacular evening of food and fun!

The Ocean County Foundation for Vocational Technical Education was established in 1994 to help ensure a quality education for the students of Ocean County Vocational Technical School (OCVTS). It was formed by a group of corporate and community leaders in Ocean County. The Foundation provides funding through scholarships for OCVTS students and grants which allow OCVTS instructors and staff to purchase equipment and materials to enhance their training curriculum.

Since the Foundation began in 1994, it has awarded over $537,000 in scholarships to OCVTS students and over $490,000 in grants to teachers and programs.

MATES STUDENTS WIN HUNGER RELIEF CHALLENGE

Students from the OCVTS Marine Academy of Technology and Environmental Science (MATES) participated in the Students Change Hunger Challenge sponsored by the Food-Bank of Monmouth and Ocean counties. Spearheaded by the MATES Student Council and Advisor William Hegerich, students collected an impressive 3,289 pounds of non-perishable food as well as $700 in monetary donations. MATES students were recognized by the FoodBank as the winner in their school division for both Monmouth and Ocean counties (based on school size). They are now in the running for several prestigious awards which will be announced by the FoodBank at a special ceremony at end of January. In addition to the overall weight and monetary donations these awards consider efforts such as community outreach and involvement, in-school special events, and creativity during the food and fund drives.

Mr. Hegerich provided these words of encouragement to the students, “The impact made through Students Change Hunger campaign is far more important and meaningful than the potential awards given out. Our friends and neighbors will be able to eat this holiday season. Children won’t have to worry where their next meal is coming from. Hunger will be alleviated for the foreseeable future—and that is all because of you.”

REGISTER NOW FOR OCVTS ADULT EDUCATION EVENING CLASSES

Registration is now open for the Spring classes offered by the OCVTS Adult Education Division. Whether you are looking to train for a new career, learn new skills or just want something fun to do, there are over 100 classes to choose from, including many one-night programs! Learn something new every day! Get out and have some fun!

ONLINE REGISTRATION BEGINS JANUARY 5TH! IT’S QUICK AND EASY! GO TO WWW.OCVTS.ORG AND CLICK ON ADULT EDUCATION.

The 40-page course listing is mailed to all homes in Ocean County. Course descriptions, class schedules and fees are also available on the OCVTS website, www.ocvts.org or call the OCVTS Adult Education Office at 732.473.3100 x1000. Don’t delay! Classes fill quickly!
OCVTS Performing Arts Academy Presents:

RODGERS + HAMMERSTEIN’S
CINDERELLA

Music by Richard Rodgers
New Book by Douglas Carter Beane

Lyrics by Oscar Hammerstein II
Original Book by Oscar Hammerstein II

February 25th @ 4pm (Senior Matinee) $14.00
February 26th @ 7pm $19.00
February 27th @ 2pm (Slipper Cast) $19.00
February 27th @ 7pm $19.00

The Strand Center for the Arts in Lakewood, NJ
400 Clifton Avenue, Lakewood, NJ 08710
For tickets: www.strand.org/events
732.367.7789
OCVTS HOSTING CAREER TRAINING INFORMATION SESSION FOR HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

Ocean County Vocational Technical School offers affordable, one-year training programs for careers in Culinary Arts, New Home Construction, Automotive Technology, Practical Nursing or Cosmetology.

OCVTS Accelerated Career Training Programs for Adults offer ten-month, full-time curriculum that enable students to gain valuable hands-on experience and complete training in less than one year.

A Special Career Training Information Session will be held on Thursday February 4 at the OCVTS Toms River Center, 1299 Old Freehold Road. Admission representatives will provide an overview of each program and discuss the application process. The information session runs just prior to the OCVTS District Open House and will allow ample time for attendees to visit the program facilities.

All programs qualify for Financial Aid, Veterans Benefits and Unemployment Retraining benefits. Scholarship and NJ-GIVS grant opportunities are available. The OCVTS Financial Aid Specialist can answer your questions and guide applicants through the financial aid process.

OCVTS Job Placement Services representatives are committed to matching OCVTS graduates with meaningful employment through an established network of over 850 business partnerships. OUR GRADUATES ARE WORKING!! All OCVTS students and graduates have access to Job Placement Services.

OCVTS provides step-by-step guidance through the entire application process. Attend this Information Session and discover how OCVTS can change your life! It’s a free, no obligation event– OCVTS wants you to get excited about your future!

This information session is open to all adults looking for new career options as well as current high school seniors looking for career training options other than college.

Call 732.473.3100 x3144 for more information and to register.

Take control of YOUR future!
Take the first step to a new career!

SPECIAL CAREER INFORMATION SESSION
FOR HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS & ADULTS
THURSDAY FEBRUARY 4  5:30-6:30
OCVTS TOMS RIVER CENTER 1299 OLD FREEHOLD ROAD

Program Information
Admission Procedures
Financial Aid Information
Job Placement Services

CALL 732.473.3100 x3144

10-MONTH ACCELERATED TRAINING PROGRAMS
Automotive Technology
Cosmetology
Culinary Arts
New Home Construction
Practical Nursing
SAVE THE DATE!

20TH ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL CHEF’S NIGHT OUT
MONDAY, MARCH 7, 2016

Door Prizes
Giveaways
Vendor Market
Radio Broadcast

Grand Prize Raffle
(Valued Up to $10,000)

The Ocean County Foundation for Vocational Technical Education invites you to

CHEF’S NIGHT OUT
at the Pine Belt Arena, Toms River  6:00PM - 9:00PM
Contact Alicia Carney 732.286.5670 x3212
or Sharon Noble 732.473.3100 x3177
for more information

TICKETS: $50 IN ADVANCE - $60 AT THE DOOR
NO SNOW DATE

Ocean County Foundation for Vocational Technical Education
137 Bey Lea Road, Toms River, NJ 08753

TICKETS CAN BE PURCHASED AT WWW.OCVTSCHEFSNIGHTOUT.ORG
UPCOMING EVENTS
Career Discovery Day....................January 30
OCVTS Open House......................February 4
PAA Presents Cinderella...February 25, 26, 27
Chef’s Night Out..........................March 7

STAY CONNECTED!
There is so much going on every day at OCVTS.
Like us on Facebook and follow us on Twitter and Instagram!
OCVTS students and staff will amaze you and inspire you!

OCVTS Administration
William P. Hoey, Jr...........................Superintendent
Nancy Weber-Loeffert ....................Asst. Superintendent
Frank J. Frazee.............................Business Administrator
Mary Beatty-Sharisky....................Principal, Adult Education
John Biscardi..............................Vice Principal, Brick
Alison Carroll.............................Principal, MATES
Kevin Dineen..............................Principal, Student Services
Karen Homiek.............................Principal, Lakehurst
Gary MacDonald.........................Supervisor, Toms River/COTG
Thomas McInerney.........................Principal, Waretown
Jo Ann Price ..............................Principal, Toms River, LPN
Christine Santasieri....................Supervisor, Lakehurst
Lynn Sauer.................................Principal, Brick
Dr. John Wnek ............................Supervisor, MATES
Lori Young..............................Supervisor, Curriculum/Grants
Lillian Zavattieri.........................Principal, Jackson

ADMISSIONS INFORMATION
Adult Education Office 732.473.3100 x1000
High School Admissions 732.473.3100 x3122
After High School Admissions 732.473.3100 x3144
Academy Admissions 732.473.3100 x3065
Practical Nursing Admissions 732.473.3100 x3145
Cosmetology 732.473.3100 x3132
Financial Aid 732.473.3100 x3139

WWW.OCVTS.ORG