





Note to students interested in attending the Marine Academy of Technology and Environmental Science

# Academy applications are made available to students attending the academy admission information sessions only.

The academy admission information session is designed to help students and their families make informed decisions regarding an educational pathway that is in the best interest of each student.

The academy approach to learning is different from the traditional high school setting and the decision to apply should be made after review and discussion of the material presented during the information session.





# **Application Procedures**

- 1. You may apply to only one academy. You may attend as many information sessions as you like to help you decide which school is right for you.
- 2. Academy applications and admission materials can be obtained at one of the information sessions.
- 3. Complete the required application online. 7th grade final report card and 8th grade first marking period report card MUST be included.
- 4. All applications MUST be submitted online by midnight on December 11, 2022.

OCVTS Career Academy Admissions 131 Bey Lea Road Toms River, NJ 08753

5. Take the admissions test on January 21, 2023.

### Acceptance Criteria

Applicants will be ranked using the following criteria:

- A) Academic grades 7th grade 8th grade (first marking period)
- B) Admissions Exam



# **FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS**

Q. What must be included with my application?

A. The application must be completely filled out and include grade transcripts compiled from 7th grade and the first marking period of 8th grade. The deadline for applications will be December 11, 2022. It is the applicant's responsibility to make sure that the application is submitted on or before the deadline. Late applications WILL NOT be accepted.

O. How competitive is the admissions process?

A. In general, there will be more applicants than available space. We assign scores to all applicants based on academic records and performance on our entrance exam.

O. What happens if I am not accepted?

A. If you are not accepted but you meet the minimum criteria, your application will remain on file. Should an opening occur, your application may be reconsidered.

O. What is on the entrance exam?

A. The exam contains three sections: mathematics, science and language arts literacy. Questions are multiple-choice.

O. What if I am sick and miss the exam?

A. A make-up date will be available for the exam, based on the circumstances of the individual.

Q. How and when will I be notified of acceptance?

A. It will take approximately four weeks for all processing to be completed after the audition date. All applicants who have completed the admissions process will be notified by mail whether they have been accepted or not.

O. Can I apply to more than one Career Academy?

A. No, you may only apply to one school. The Career Academies offer very specialized curricula. The Career Academies admissions process attempts to match students to the most appropriate program for that student. One of the first steps in that process is for you to choose the school that most fulfills your interests and abilities.

Q. How will I make arrangements for transportation and other costs?

A. The Ocean County Vocational Technical School District is a public school district. If you have been accepted, your resident school district will be notified and transportation will be provided by that district. You can expect to incur the same kinds of costs that you would in your resident school. Notebooks, pens, pencils, etc. are your responsibility to provide.



# **INFORMATION FOR APPLICANTS**

The Marine Academy of Technology and Environmental Science is a public high school administered by the Ocean County Vocational Technical School district. MATES is designed to give its students a rigorous academic curriculum with concentration in the areas of math, science and technology. The school exists within the community to provide a challenging, unique, hands-on learning experience for students interested in pursuing a math or science related career. The academy opened in September 2001 for students entering the ninth grade.

### **STUDENT SELECTION AND ADMISSION**

Students are selected through a competitive application process and enter at the ninth grade level. Applicants must reside in Ocean County to be eligible for admission. All school districts in Ocean County are eligible to participate in sending applications to the program.

### **ADMISSION**

To be eligible for admission the student should be enrolled in and successfully complete an eighth grade pro-gram that includes: English, math (Algebra I preferred), science, social studies and physical education. A Spanish I elective is also recommended, or a summer program equivalency will be required.

### NINTH GRADE COURSES OF STUDIES

Algebra I / Data Analysis	5 credits
Geometry	5 credits
English I	5 credits
Biology	5 credits
Chemistry I	5 credits
*Spanish II	5 credits
World History	5 credits
Physical Education/Health	5 credits
Independent Research Study	5 credits

### TRANSPORTATION

The student's resident district will be responsible for transporting the student to MATES.

### **PROGRAM DESCRIPTION**

The school day runs from 7:30AM until 1:43PM. Classes are offered in a block time similar to a typical college program. Each semester students receive a different schedule. The course of study meets and exceeds the New Jersey Student Learning standards.



The mission of the Marine Academy of Technology and Environmental Science (MATES) is to provide an opportunity to students in Ocean County to become critical thinkers and problem solvers. Students of this academy will participate in an intimate, integrated, and challenging curriculum with a focus on marine and environmental science. MATES will empower its students with skills important to post-secondary study and employment in a global community.

### BACKGROUND

The Marine Academy of Technology and Environmental Science is one of the career academies administered by the Ocean County Vocational Technical School District. Opened in September 2001, the school exists within the community to provide a unique, nurturing, and challenging hands-on learning experience for college bound and career-oriented students interested in pursuing a math or science-related field. MATES has been designed to give its students a rigorous academic curriculum with concentration in the areas of math, science, and technology.

Located in Manahawkin, New Jersey, MATES is centrally located to the south of New York City, north of Atlantic City, and east of Philadelphia.

The Ocean County Vocational Technical School District is responsible for recruitment, admissions, and the instructional program. There are over 23,000 high school students enrolled in Ocean County Public Schools. MATES is a competitive, specialized high school that selects its students from applicants found within the public and private schools of Ocean County.

QUICK FACTS: Type of School: Public Grades Included: 9-12 Total Enrollment: 275 (as of September 2022) CEEB Code: 311473



# **Marine Academy of Technology and Environmental Science COURSE OF STUDY**

All courses are instructed utilizing a block scheduling format ~ Classes are 80 minutes. All students are accepted via a competitive application process and follow the same rigorous course of study. Students must successfully complete 161.25 high school credits or their college equivalent (Stockton University) to graduate. All high school courses are taught at an honors level.

CREDIT(S)
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CREDIT(S)

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English II	5
Intro to Computer Science	5
Algebra II	5
Chemistry II	5
Aquatic Ecology or	
Research Methods/Field Ecolo	gy 5
Spanish III	5
Spanish IV (SU LANG 2142) or Intro to	Art 5
Health II/Driver's Education	1.25
Physical Education II	3.75
TOTAL:	40

All courses subject to change.

JUNIOR YEAR	CREDIT(S)
English III	5
Pre-Calculus	5
EFA/Trigonometry	5
Biotechnology (SU BIOL 1200/1205)	5
Physics (SU PHYS 2110/2120)	5
*Introduction to Art or Computer So	cience or
Anatomy and Physiology or Spar	
US History I	5
Physical Education III/Health III	3.75
Financial Literacy	2.5
TOTAL:	41.25
*Option II V/PA available as a P/F cours	se in fulfillment of
NJDOE requirements	
SENIOR YEAR	CREDIT(S)
English IV (SU LIT1100/1110)	- (-/
Calculus I (SU MATH 2215)	5
US History II	5
Oceanography (SU MARS 1300)	5
Environmental Science (SU ENVL 11)	-
or Senior CS Capstone	5
Computer Science or Data Science	5
Elective**	5
Physical Education IV/ Health IV	5
Total:	40

#### ELECTIVES:

\*\*Geographic Information Systems (GIS SU GNM 1242); Geo/Astrophysics (SU GEOL 2120); Art History/Basic Drawing (SUGAH 2243/SUGAH 1261)

## **MATES CLASS OF 2022 SAT RESULTS**

Math: 710 Evidence Reading & Writing: 677

State%(2022): 560 State% (2022): 557 National % (2022): 528 National % (2022): 533









# Graduates of MATES have been offered acceptances to the following institutions:

American University **Boston College Boston University Brown University Bucknell University** University of California at Berkeley Carnegie Mellon University Case Western Reserve University The Catholic University of America University of Chicago The Citadel, The Military College of South Carolina Clemson University The College of New Jersey The College of William & Mary Columbia University University of Connecticut **Cornell University** University of Delaware Dartmouth College **Drew University** Drexel University **Duke University** Embry-Riddle University **Emory University** Florida Institute of Technology Florida State University Fordham University

Franklin and Marshall College The George Washington University Georgetown University Georgia Institute of Technology Harvard University University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign Johns Hopkins University The Julliard School Lafayette College Lehigh University University of Maryland Massachusetts Institute of Technology University of Massachusetts University of Miami Monmouth University Montclair State University Muhlenberg University New Jersey Institute of Technology New York University University of North Carolina North Carolina State University Northeastern University Northwestern University University of Notre Dame The Ohio State University University of Pennsylvania



Pennsylvania State University University of Pittsburgh Princeton University **Purdue University Quinnipiac University** Rensselaer Polytechnic University University of Rhode Island **Rice Universitv** University of Richmond **Rider University** Rochester Institute of Technology University of Rochester Rowan University **Rutgers University** Seton Hall University Stanford University Stevens Institute of Technology Stockton University SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry SUNY Maritime College Swarthmore College Syracuse University **Temple University** Texas A&M University Tufts University United States Naval Academy United States Air Force Academy United States Coast Guard Academy The United States Military Academy at West Point University of Virginia Vanderbilt University Villanova University Virginia Polytechnic Institute & State University Wake Forest University Webb Institute Worcester Polytechnic Institute Yale University



# MATES Calendar of Events (some examples of events and experiences in a given school year)

September	- Island Beach State Park Beach Plum Festival - Freshmen field experience week at Sedge Island, Barnegat Bay
October	- Fall Coffee House - PSAT/NMSQT - Clean Ocean Action Fall Beach Sweeps, Seaside Heights - Annual Student Summit at Island Beach State Park - Mole Day Activities (sophomores)
November	- Math League Competitions begin (competition schedule continues through Spring) Robotics Team Competitions begin(competition schedule continues through Spring)
January	- After-School Educational Winter Outreach (students in grades 5-8) begins (January - March)
December	- Winter Semi-Formal -Jenkinson's Aquarium
February	- MATES Research Expo - Spring Coffee House
March	- Jersey Shore Science Fair
April	- New Jersey Academy of Science, Annual Meeting, Junior Academy Program - Environmental Educator's Roundtable - Lighthouse Camp, Waretown - Delaware Valley Science Fair - Terrapin Appreciation Week in Jenkinson's Aquarium + (other partners)
Мау	- Chemistry Olympics - Annual New Jersey Envirothon Competition - Junior/Senior Prom - National Honor Society Inductions - Ocean Fun Day - New Jersey Marine Sciences Consortium
June	- Hatch Line Release @ Island Beach State Park - Marine Conservation Zone Day Island Beach State Park



# **STUDENT CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS**

Birding/Environmental Club (BEAK) **Chemistry Olympics** Envirothon Extra-Curricular Athletics Club **Fishing Club** Focus on the Drive Games Club Genders and Sexualities Alliance Independent Science Research Literary Journal Math League Mock Trial Model UN National Honor Society **Project Terrapin** Robotics Shore Bowl SkillsUSA Spanish Club Student Government Yearbook

### 2021 - 2022 MATES HIGHLIGHTS

- 17 National Merit Commended Scholars
- 3 National Merit Finalists
- 1 Student selected for New Jersey Governor's School in the Science
- 1 Student selected for the New Jersey's Scholar Program
- Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute Medalist Class of 2023
- Jersey Shore Science Fair 51 Award Winners
- Delaware Valley Science Fair 33 Award Winners
- New Jersey Academy of Science 4 Award Winners
- 1st Place NJ Math League/Ocean County Math League
- 1st Place NJ Chemistry Olympics Research
- 1st Place Mock Trial Ocean County Champions
- 1st Place NJ State Bar Courtroom Artist Contest
- NJ Jr. Science & Humanities Symposium 3 award winners
- American Junior Academy of Science 2 award winners
- 34th Annual NJDEP Mapping Contest 2 award winners



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The mission of Ocean County Vocational Technical School is to provide an intensive and immersive educational experience aligned with the current and emerging demands of business, industry, and advanced education. We instill the knowledge, skills, and competencies required for students to experience success in entering the workforce, advancing along a career pathway, and achieving career aspirations.

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