

## **Old Colony RVTHS Mission Statement**

The mission of Old Colony Regional Vocational Technical High School is to prepare students for ever changing demands of society and the workforce, in a safe environment that values diversity and equity. Through vocational- technical and academic courses students attain the skills necessary for successful employment and career and/ or educational advancement. This foundation enables students to be responsible members of the community and encourages a continuation of learning throughout life.

## **School Philosophy**

The school affirms the worth dignity, and diversity of all peoples. Each student has the opportunity and is encouraged to understand and develop his/her potential and to acquire skills which prepare him/her for work or for further education.

The School Committee, Administration, Staff and Students of Old Colony Regional Vocational Technical High School, believe that the established programs will provide a balance of knowledge and skills commensurate with the diverse interests and capabilities of the student body.

Considering social, economic, cultural, and technological changes, we advocate a comprehensive curriculum that supports and encourages a continuative process of learning. The school will strive to educate its students in personal responsibility, work ethics, and good citizenship.

We recognize that students need the cooperation and interaction of the home, school, and community at large to succeed.

## **Old Colony Goals & Objectives**

1. To ensure a student's right to develop his/her potential regardless of race, color, sex, religion, age, disability, national origin, sexual orientation or sexual identity.
2. To develop social awareness and empathy toward others while fostering the dignity of the individual.
3. To promote understanding and appreciation for multi-racial and multi-cultural backgrounds.
4. To maintain and upgrade established programs that provide a balance of knowledge and skills.
5. To provide vocational, technical, and academic courses of instruction that allow for differences in student interests, aptitudes, and abilities.
6. To teach students the required skills to effectively communicate.
7. To prepare students for future career changes and technological advances.
8. To adapt to the constantly changing socioeconomic needs through the induction of technological and unique educational programs such as Articulation Agreements with Area Colleges, State and National Certifications and Licensure, Cooperative Education, Tech Prep, Skills USA, Apprenticeship and Internship Programs.
9. To provide a learning environment where students are motivated to excel, to display pride in their work and to develop appreciation of the work of others.
10. To promote in each student desirable habits and attitudes with emphasis on health, safety, and ethics.
11. To provide guidance for students concerning personal, educational, and vocational/career technical issues.
12. To collaborate with Business and Industry, National Associations, and Advisory Committees to promote, establish, maintain, and evaluate the vocational/career technical programs in order to maintain the high standards of the school curricula.
13. To provide a variety of extracurricular activities which foster interaction among parents/guardians, faculty, staff, and students.
14. To provide an atmosphere of interpersonal communication, mutual confidence, respect for authority, friendliness, and cooperation while maintaining a safe and nurturing environment supported by discipline which is consistent, firm, and fair.
15. To monitor and upgrade academic and vocational/technical curricula to provide students the opportunity to acquire the necessary skills to meet all the state and federal requirements.
16. To continue to update, monitor, and practice all building safety protocol and procedures to ensure a safe working environment for its faculty, staff, and visitors as well as a safe learning environment for students.