



Old Colony Regional Vocational Technical High School



Believe in yourself.



Old Colony Regional Vocational Technical High School is located on a 80-acre campus in Rochester, Massachusetts, the geographical center of the five-member town school district that



includes Acushnet, Carver, Lakeville, Mattapoisett, and Rochester.

Old Colony is committed to providing quality vocational-technical and academic programs. Graduates receive a high school diploma and a certificate of proficiency in their technical area of study.

Old Colony's four-year program of studies allows students to directly enter the job market as skilled workers or to continue their education at any state college, university, or technical school. As part of the Career Technical Education Program (CVTE) our students are eligible to earn college credit through articulated credit, free courses, and early college placement at Bristol Community College. Also, college credits can be awarded for technical training received at Old Colony from New England Tech and Johnson and Wales University.

Old Colony is fully accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges.

Old Colony offers thirteen vocational technical programs:

- Automotive Technology
- Computer Information Technology
- Computer Office Technology
- Cosmetology
- Culinary Arts
- Drafting
- Electrical
- Electronics
- Health Careers
- House and Mill Carpentry
- Machine and Tool Technology
- Graphic Communication & Design
- Welding/Metal Fabrication

Exploratory Program

Upon entering the ninth grade, each student will explore six different vocational programs. This exploratory process will run from the start of school until the completion of trimester 1. The student selects four programs to explore, and two more are assigned by the school. If a student is in attendance in the fall and wishes to explore a program in addition to their four selections, they can request to change one of the two shops that were assigned by the school if space is available.

Placement in the shop of your choice is based on a point total accrued in all six exploratory programs. Students are scored primarily on achievement, attitude, attendance, and interest. If a student selects a shop that is oversubscribed, placement is based on the point total. Students can go on a waiting list for any of the vocational programs if they choose to do so, but, they must complete waiting list forms, which require a parent signature. If a student desires to transfer to a different shop, they must follow the school's transfer policy stated in the student handbook.



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.

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.

Believe in yourself.

As a student of Old Colony's Automotive Technology Program you will be a highly skilled automotive technician when you graduate.

Students in the ASE Master Automotive Technology Program learn how to diagnose, service and repair both domestic and foreign automobiles. They also learn how to



troubleshoot problems of all kinds, using the latest engine analyzers, hand-held scanners, and

other computerized diagnostic equipment. Students learn it all from basic engine systems, to computerized fuel injection, anti-lock brakes, computerized engine control, air condition repair and testing, chassis, and front end repair.



Old Colony's Automotive Technology Program is NATEF certified (National Automotive Technicians Education Foundation).



Student Skills & Skill Area

Freshmen Year

- Proper shop safety skills
- Automotive fundamentals
- Automotive brake systems
- Exhaust and cooling systems
- Vehicle maintenance
- Tools and equipment

Sophomore Year

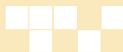
- Automotive transmissions
- Advanced brake repair
- Four wheel Alignment
- Manual transaxle repair and diagnostics
- Suspension and steering repair and diagnostics

Junior Year

- Basic fuel/ignition system
- Engine rebuilding
- Basic electrical fundamentals
- Air conditioning fundamentals
- Computerized scan tool diagnostics and repair

Senior Year

- Advanced computer/emission diagnostics
- Advanced scan tool diagnostics and repair
- Advanced electrical repair and diagnostics
- Advanced air conditioning and heating repair and troubleshooting
- Engine performance diagnostics



CAD Drafting



Student Skills & Skill Area

Freshmen Year

- Intro to Drafting
- Scales & Measurements
- Technical Mathematics
- Multiview Projection
- Auxiliary Views
- Plotting & Printing
- AutoCAD Commands
- File Management & Back-up
- Lettering
- Instrument Drawing
- Geometric Construction
- Reproduction & Filing
- Dimensioning
- Introduction to AutoCAD
- Intro to Computers
- Paper, Borders & Title Blocks

Sophomore Year

- Pictorial Drawings
- Threads & Fasteners
- Welding Representation
- Intro to Solidworks
- Basic & Geometric Tolerancing
- Assembly Drawings
- Gears & Cams
- Revisions & Modifications
- Manufacturing Practices

Junior Year

- Intro to Architecture
- Architectural Drawings
- Design Concepts
- Advanced CAD Applications
- Working Drawings
- Structural Drawings
- Employment Preparation
- Introduction to Chief Architect
- Introduction to Land Surveying

Senior Year

- Employment Preparation
- Electrical & Electronic Drawings
- Senior Independent Projects
- Live Work Projects
- Civil Drawings
- Advanced CAD Applications
- Introduction to Revit 3D Rendering



Computer Aided Drafting students are trained in architectural and technical drafting. They acquire skills essential to achieve success in a productive career, as well as, become a qualified and prepared member of the workforce in the drafting field.



In addition, our students are provided with knowledge to reach further academic

goals should they choose to continue their education at the post secondary level.

In their freshman year, students develop fundamental technical and architectural/engineering drafting techniques using free-hand sketching and AutoCAD. In their sophomore year, students develop critical thinking skills to solve design problems associated with manufacturing and engineering and further refine fundamental technical drafting skills using SolidWorks. In their junior year, CAD students are introduced to all phases of architectural design using AutoCAD and Chief Architect create a full set of residential construction drawings. In their senior year, students are introduced to civil drafting principles and light commercial building. In addition, our seniors complete "live work" projects and a senior project of their choice.



The House and Mill Carpentry Department offers students educational experiences in all aspects of residential construction. The main goal of the House and Mill Carpentry program continues to be preparation for our students to work in the residential building

and remodeling industry but it also allows them to work in entry level positions in commercial construction and millworking.

Students will be prepared to

pass the Construction Proficiency Assessment when that test is implemented by the State.

During the past year our students have been involved with many carpentry/cabinet making projects that

offer a wide variety of hands-on educational experiences. Some recent projects include: The building of a shed for the Town of Carver to house a cranberry bog pump, completion of four dugouts for the Old Colony baseball fields, two dugouts for the baseball field at Dexter Lane in Rochester, five oak wall cabinets for the Rochester Library, and an arrowhead display case constructed from ash for the Lakeville library. Students also stripped and reroofed part of the Mattapoissett Town Hall, built a fire escape on the building and completed a handicap ramp for that building as well as another ramp for the Community Baptist Church in Marion.



Student Skills & Skill Area

Freshmen Year

- Basic wood joinery
- Working with hand tools
- Jointers, thickness planers, and table saws

Sophomore Year

- Additional stationary and portable power tools
- Introduction to residential framing and materials

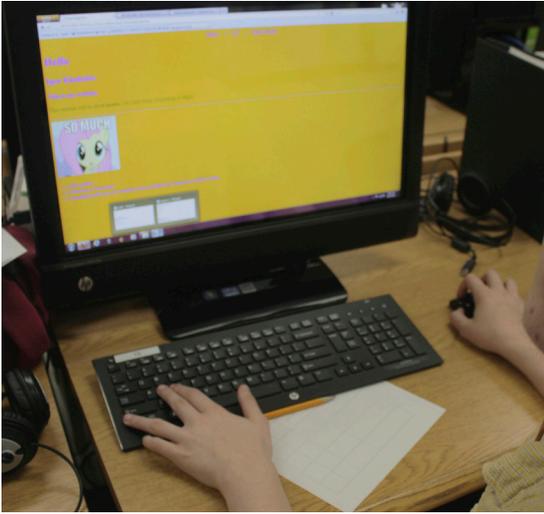
Junior Year

- Wall framing and basic roof framing
- Advanced woodworking methods
- Basic cabinetry
- Occupational Health and Safety training

Senior Year

- Hip and valley roof framing and exterior finish
- Interior finish
- Stairways
- Kitchen cabinetry and countertops

Computer Information Systems (IS/OA)



Student Skills & Skill Area

Freshmen Year

- Windows & Office Applications
- Web Tech I
- Economics
- Keyboarding & Math Integration
- Computer Concepts I

Sophomore Year

- Office Applications II
- Web Tech II
- Computer Concepts II
- Intro to Programming
- How to do Your Banking/ Financial Concepts

Junior Year

Information Systems

- Programming I (Visual Basic)
- Web Tech III
- Fluency I, II (BCC Courses)
- User Support Center
- Computer User Support and Help Desk
- Office Administration
- Adv. Office Applications
- Live Work
- Accounting I
- Fluency I, II (BCC Courses)
- Computer User Support and Help Desk

Senior Year

Information Systems

- Intro to Video Game Design
- Web Tech IV
- Customer Service/ User Support
- Senior Project
- User Support Center
- Office Administration
- Advanced Office Applications
- Accounting II
- Customer Service/ User Support
- Senior Project
- Livework

Computer Programming students will be trained in all aspects of software development.

Students are introduced to the applications development life cycle, as well as development concepts. Hands-on training includes:

- Intro to Video Game Design
- VB.net (VisualBasic.net)

Web Design

All Old Colony CIS students will become proficient in Web Design & Development employing a variety of Internet technologies through a four-year program of study. Students will learn how to play, construct, and design web sites. Coursework includes hands-on training with:

- XHTML, CSS, JavaScript, Query, WordPress [Web Languages]
- Adobe Creative Suite (PhotoShop, Flash, Illustrator, Dreamweaver, Indesign)



Office Administration

The Office Technology students will strengthen their skills in the more complex operations of Microsoft Office applications.

Additionally, students will reinforce their office skills with project-based activities that integrate multiple aspects of today's modern office. Hands-on training includes:

- Microsoft Office 2010 [Business Edition - Word, Excel, Access, Powerpoint Publisher, and Outlook]

The Old Colony Cosmetology department trains all of our students for the successful achievement of their State Board of Cosmetology operator's license. All students

are trained for entry level positions in hair, nail & skin care salons.

Students may also graduate with their state board manicuring license.

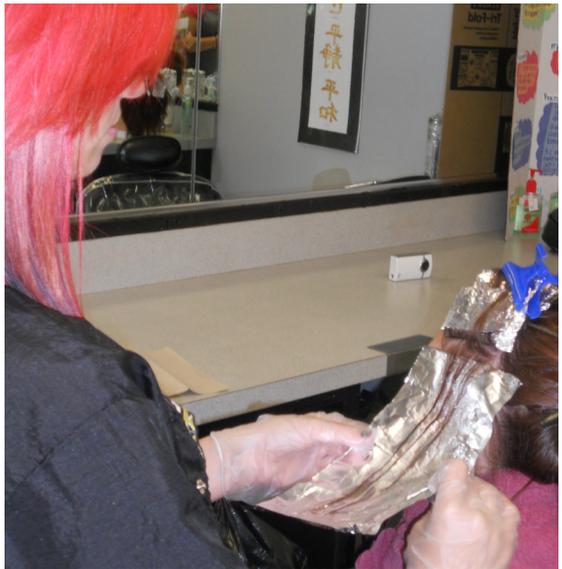
Licensed students in cosmetology and manicuring may work in a salon prior to graduation.

Career

Opportunities:

- Hair Stylist
- Platform Artist/
Demonstrator
- Competition Stylist
- Hair Colorist
- Salon Trainer
- Distributor
- Sales Consultant
- Salon/Spa Owner

- Salon/Spa Manager
- State Board Examiner
- State Board Inspector
- Cosmetology Instructor
- Hairpiece/extension Specialist
- Make-up Artist
- Nail Technician
- Skin Care Specialist



Student Skills & Skill Area

Freshmen Year

- Draping, shampooing & conditioning
- Fingerwaving, roller & pincurl placement
- Perm winding & mock color application

Sophomore Year

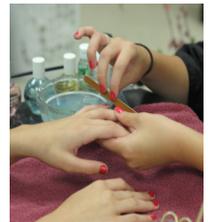
- Scalp & hair treatments
- Basic hair styling
- Mock chemical application
- Facials
- Manicures

Junior Year

- Haircutting
- Color & highlighting application
- Permanent waving
- Live chemical applications
- Manicures/pedicures
- Advanced nail techniques
- Facials & make-up
- Removing unwanted hair

Senior Year

- Advanced haircutting techniques
- Corrective haircolor
- Advanced highlighting techniques
- Performing all services on clients
- Preparation for state board exam
- State board licensing



Culinary Arts



Student Skills & Skill Area

Freshmen Year

Dining Room

- Waiting
- Short Order Breakfast

Kitchen

- Salads / Soups
- Knife/Cutting Skills

Bakery

- Quick-Breads
- Cookies

Sophomore Year

Dining Room

- Order Taking / Waiting

Kitchen

- Sauces
- Entrees

Bakery

- Bread/Rolls/Desserts

Junior Year

Dining Room

- Menu Design

Kitchen

- Sautéing/Roasting

Bakery

- Specialty Pastries
- Desserts

Senior Year

Dining Room

- Restaurant Design
- Menus & Prep

Kitchen

- Meat / Poultry
- Seafood

Bakery

- Cakes
- Advanced Pastries
- Specialty Breads



There are many programs offered in the Culinary Department, such as:

- Bakery • Kitchen
- Short Order/Grilling
- Dining Room Skills
- Register and Bakery Counter



We use modern equipment that is up dated with the industry standards. Culinary is a production shop. We serve the community needs and school functions.



Plus, we also have an every-day hands on dining room operation serving 50-100 people a day. Our full bakery wholesale department is open to the public from 11:00am - 12:15pm daily.



the cougar's den

In the modern high tech electrical field, there is a need for quality people who are technically skilled to meet today's requirements for great paying positions. To meet these demands, we work with

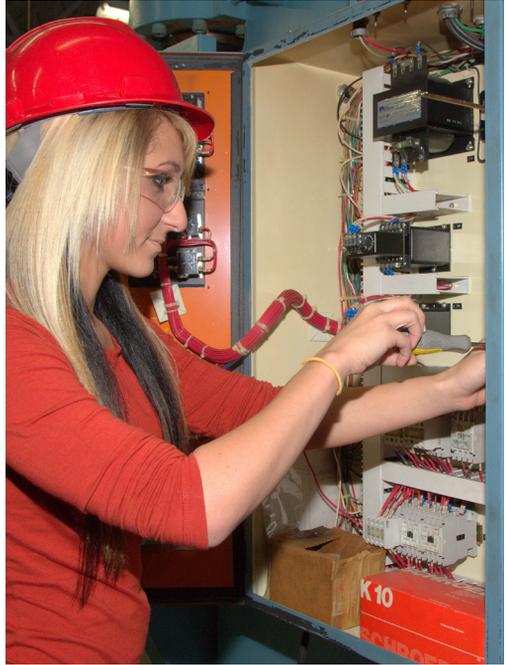
an electrical advisory board to maintain cutting edge training for our electrical students using the latest equipment.

An on campus residential dwelling is also used by our students to facilitate practice wiring for new work wiring, services, alarm systems, and heating systems.

The department works with the

school to install and maintain the electrical infrastructure of the school including the computer network wiring.

The department also utilizes an active co-op program with electrical contractors and companies in the area to provide our students with actual trade experience.



Student Skills & Skill Area

Freshmen Year

- Electrical and Tool Safety
- Low Voltage and 120 Volt Circuits
- Circuit Testing
- Introduction to Residential Wiring

Sophomore Year

- Advanced Residential Wiring
- Residential Services
- Introduction to Commercial Pipe Bending
- Fire and Security Systems
- Residential Heating Systems

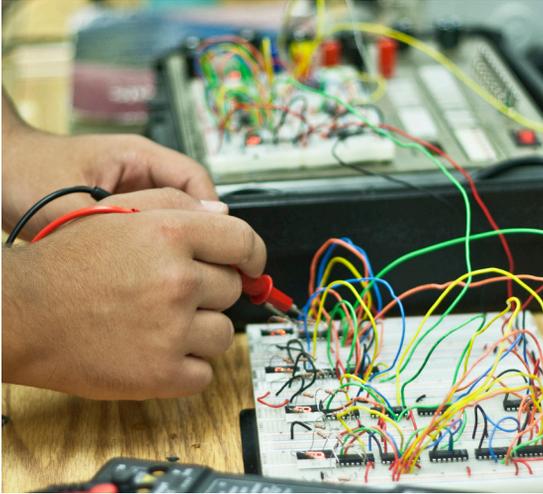
Junior Year

- Introduction to Industrial Electricity
- Advanced Commercial Pipe Bending and Installation
- Commercial and Industrial Lighting
- D.C. Rotating Machines
- On and Off Campus Work

Senior Year

- Advanced Industrial Electricity and Commercial Wiring
- Introduction to A.C. Motors and Controls
- Transformer Connections and Configurations

Electronic Technologies



Student Skills & Skill Area

Freshmen Year

- Shop Safety and OSHA 10hr Certification
- Components and Quantities
- Electron Theory
- Voltage, Current, and Resistance
- Ohm's Law and Power
- Series Circuits
- Parallel Circuits/Series - Parallel Circuits
- Soldering Techniques and Projects
- 3 Stage Electrical Safety Test

Sophomore Year

- Introduction to Digital Concepts
- Number Systems
- Digital Logic Gates
- Combinational Logic
- Flip-Flops
- Counters
- Sequential Logic
- Memory
- Digital Project

Junior Year

- Instruction and Use of Speciality Tools
- Transformers and Power Supply Components
- Types of Audio Amplifiers & Troubleshooting
- Types of Electronic Filter Circuits
- Telecommunications/Wireless Communication
- Analog Project
- Entrepreneurship

Senior Year

- Introduction to Industrial Electronics
- Industrial Manufacturing Needs
- Programmable Logic Devices (PLC's)
- Analog to Digital, Digital to Analog Conversion
- Customer Service Specialist Certification (ETA)

Electronic Technologies Program will offer the following:

- Basic Electronics & Digital Electronics Theory
- Introduction to Surface Mount Technology (SMT)
- Microprocessor Theory & Programming
- Robotics Programming & Construction
- Introduction to Programmable Logic Controllers (PLC)
- Preparation for the Certified Electronic Technician (C.E.T./ETA) Exam

Students will become familiar with the following equipment and programs:

- Basic Hand Tools
- Digital Logic Probes, Oscilloscopes, Digital Storage Scopes and Analog/Digital Multimeters
- Frequency Counters, Power and Watt Meters
- Soldering and Desoldering Equipment
- Basic Stamp II
- LEGO (NXT Robotics)



Graphic Communications & Design is a program designed to instruct students in the

many areas of the Graphic Communication/Printing Industries. Areas include Design Fundamentals, Graphic

Design, Electronic Prepress, Press Technologies through Binding & Finishing Operations.

Students will use 21" iMac computers to learn the latest versions of Adobe's Creative Suite Software which includes InDesign, Illustrator,

and Photoshop. Students are introduced to Digital Photography, Image Capture and Photo Retouching. Students will also learn current Printing Technologies, as well as Binding & Finishing Techniques as required by the Massachusetts VTE Curriculum Frameworks for Graphic Communication.

As part of their training students work on required projects as well as real life work assignments. The Graphic Communication & Design Department operates as a live production shop which produces print materials for the surrounding communities.



Student Skills & Skill Area

Freshmen Year

- Safety
- InDesign
- Photoshop
- Illustrator
- Production Basics
- Typography
- Basic Foundations of Graphic Design

Sophomore Year

- Printing Fundamentals
- Electronic Pre-press
- Digital Imaging
- Career Exploration
- Intro to Live Work
- Typography

Junior Year

- Typography
- Image Capture
- Color Theory
- Intro to Art History
- Digital Photography
- Entrepreneurship
- Intro to Video Production
- Live Work

Senior Year

- Advanced Electronic Imaging
- Digital Printing
- Intro to Video Production
- Marketing
- Portfolio Development
- Live Work

Also, do to our world's ever changing technology, students will learn cutting edge technology printing through digital production printing technology. Our new Xerox Digital Production Printing System will teach students the necessary skills and knowledge.



Health Careers



To be successful today in the "Global Economy" graduates need more than technical expertise. Today 21st Century Skills are also important to climbing the career ladder in Allied Health fields. Critical thinking, collaboration, creativity, and communication competencies are included in the Health Careers curriculum. The project based learning experiences and authentic workplace learning externships insure the opportunity to develop these important skill sets. Additionally, clinical placements provide for the social and emotional competence of our graduates which enhances their ability to collaborate and communicate in a personal way with others in the field. Students develop new perspectives, a sense of empathy, tolerance, and respect for diversity; all necessary skills in the global community that relies on technology but depends on human interactions and relationships.

Certifications earned by graduates:

Nursing Assistant
CPR
First Aid
AED
OSHA

The Health Careers program at Old Colony provides students with an introduction to the diversity of opportunities in the field of allied health care, as well as quality preparation to enter the world of employment and/or further training and education within the health field. These goals are accomplished through applied theory, instruction within the clinical laboratory, and relevant clinical affiliations. The Health Careers curriculum meets the Massachusetts

Vocational Technical Frameworks for Health Assisting.

All students enrolled in the Health Careers program receive instruction leading to

state certification as a nursing assistant. Supervised externship experience is provided in both long term and acute care settings.

Co-operative education and placement opportunities are available to all senior students. This experience provides students with further development of their competencies, and a realistic work environment. Academic preparation includes a solid foundation in the principals of anatomy and physiology, understanding the disease process, investigation into the concepts of health promotion and disease prevention, and attention to relevant and contemporary health issues.



The main function of this course of study is to teach the safe and proper set-up and operation of equipment common to the machine tool industry.

In addition, technical information relating to trade and industrial practices is part of the program. The curriculum is designed

to produce a well-rounded entry level machinist. This is accomplished by a series of projects set up by instructors, as well as projects brought in by local industries. In completing these projects, students work with lathes, milling machines, grinders, drill presses, boring machines, and other machine tools. Computerized numerical control equipment is used by advanced students.

Our Machine Shop Technology Juniors complete Level 1 in the NIMS (National Institute for Metalworking Skills) certification in their Junior year.



Student Skills & Skill Area

Freshmen Year

- Lathes
- Millers
- Math

Sophomore Year

- Miller
- Grinders
- Blueprint Reading
- Math
- Theory

Junior Year

- Introduction to CNC Milling Machines/ Machine Operator
- Outside Projects

Senior Year

- Introduction to CNC LATHES & Millers
- CAD/CAW
- CNC Program



Metal Fabrication & Joining Technologies



Student Skills & Skill Area

Forming Metals

- Manual/Machine
- Scrolling/Sheet Metal
- Notching/Framing
- Bending/Rolling
- Structural
- Blacksmith Forming + Art

Joining Technologies

- Oxy Fuel
- SMAW
- Soldering
- Spot Welding
- GMAW/Fluxcore
- GTAW
- Brazing
- Powder/Plastic

Cutting

- Plasma/Oxy Fuel
- Cold Sawing
- Shearing
- Carbon Arc/CNC Plasma

All types of welding are in the Metal Fabrication & Joining Technologies Department, such as



Gas Tungsten Arc Welding (GTAW), Gas Metal Arc Welding (GMAW), Oxy-Acetylene Welding, Brazing, and soft soldering.

We also teach metal fabrication on the following machines:

- A drop shear that will cut metal up to 1/4" of mild steel 10 feet in length
- A hydraulic press brake that will bend 1/4" mild steel plates 10 feet in length
- A variety of other metal working machines such as a Box and Pan Brake, Pedestal Grinder, Band Saws, Hossfeld Bender, and an ornamental iron forming machine.

The welding/fabrication shop fabricates a variety of projects for different businesses in the surrounding area, as well as for residents of the community.



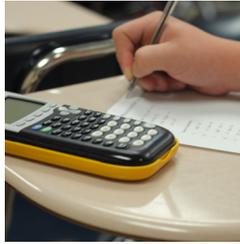
Our welding students can receive their welding qualification sponsored by AWS (American Welding Society). This affords the student with a legal certification shield and metal in Welding.



Graduation Requirements:

- 4 years of English
- 4 years of Math
- 2 years of Science
- 1 year of Civic Education or Physics
- 2 years of Social Studies
- 3 years of Shop Related
- 4 years of Shop
- Completion of a Student Portfolio

District will align graduation requirements with Race To The Top and MassCore mandates



Academics



**For more information
about our academic courses
visit oldcolony.us.**



Academics

Pathway I Courses

These courses are for students who are generally headed to a four year college directly from Old Colony.

Grade 9

College Prep English
College Prep Algebra 1
College Prep Algebra 2 PT 1 &
College Prep Geometry
College Prep U.S History 1
College Prep Biology 1
Related (per student's vocation)
Health/PE

Grade 10

College Prep English
College Prep Algebra 2 PT 1 &
College Prep Geometry
College Prep Algebra 2
with Trigonometry
College Prep U.S History 2
College Prep Biology 2
Related (per student's vocation)
Health/PE

Grade 11

College Prep English
College Prep Algebra 2
with Trigonometry
College Prep Pre-Calculus
College Prep World History
College Prep Chemistry
College Prep Spanish 1
Related (per students vocation)

Grade 12

College Prep English
College Prep Pre-Calculus
College Prep Calculus
College Prep Physics/Lab
College Prep Spanish 2
Related (per student's vocation)
Calculus

Pathway II Courses

These courses are for those students who will go directly to work, the military or to a 2-year school such as BCC or a technical school.

Grade 9

English
Algebra 1
U.S History 1
Biology 1
Related (per student's vocation)
Health/PE

Grade 10

English
Geometry
U.S History 2
Biology 2
Related (per student's vocation)
Health/PE

Grade 11

English
Algebra 2 PT 1 or Algebra 1 PT 2
World History
Related (per students vocation)
PE

Grade 12

English
Algebra 2 PT 1 or Algebra 2
with Trigonometry
Civic Education
Chemistry
Related (per student's vocation)
PE

Old Colony Athletic Mission

The Mission of the Athletic Department is to support and supplement the mission of the Old Colony School System by providing interscholastic sports programs. We are committed to the personal development and well being of our student-athletes and staff. Through its offerings, the Athletic Department plays an integral part in preparing our student-athletes for citizenship, service and leadership by emphasizing teamwork, self-discipline, personal responsibility and the setting of high standards and achieve.



Sportsmanship

Old Colony RVTHS is committed to creating and promoting sportsmanship and ensuring healthy environments for competition.

Principle of Sportsmanship

- Respect
- Responsibility
- Good Citizenship
- Fairness

We strongly recommend getting involved in our athletic programs. Old Colony offers varsity competition in the following sports:

Baseball	Softball	Golf
Football	Boys' Basketball	Girls' Basketball
Boys' Soccer	Girls' Soccer	Girls' Volleyball
Cross Country	Cheerleading	Swimming
Ice Hockey	Weight Training	

Students who are interested in participating in one of the programs mentioned above should contact Matt Trahan, Athletic Director. All students-athletes must have a completed permission form signed by a parent/guardian. In addition, all students-athletes are required to have passed a physical examination within the last 13 months.



Commitment



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Sportsmanship



College Placement

Previous Graduates

Boston University
Bridgewater State University
Bristol Community College
Brown University
Cape Cod Community College
Curry College
Dean College
Drexel University
Endicott College
Fisher College
Fitchburg State University
Hobart Institute of Welding Technology
Johnson & Wales
Lasell College
MA College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences
Mass Maritime Academy
Massasoit Community College
Mount Ida College
New England Institute of Technology
Nichols College
Pine Manor College
Rhode Island College
Roger Williams University
Salem State University
Salter School
Simmons College
Stonehill College
UMASS Amherst
UMASS Dartmouth
Universal Technical
University of New Hampshire
University of Rhode Island
Wentworth Institute of Technology
Westfield State University
Worcester Polytechnic Institute

Title I

Title I is a Federal Program that provides financial assistance to local schools to meet current educational needs of all students. The Federal Government provides funding for the Title I Program. The No Child Left Behind Act (NCLB Act) regulates the Title I Program. By 2013-2014, all students will reach high standards, at a minimum attaining proficiency or better in Reading, Language Arts, and Mathematics. The Federal Government provides funding to states each year for Title I Program.

The program provides extra help to students who scored in Level I or Level II of the MCAS Tests. These are the students who are the furthest from meeting the standards the state has set for all children. Old Colony Regional Vocational Technical High School is committed to creating innovative and comprehensive educational opportunities for every student, enabling each student to attain his or her highest potential.

Old Colony Regional Vocational Technical High School welcomes the participation of parents in support of student learning and recognizes that parental involvement increases the opportunities for student success. The parent-school compact states the goals and responsibilities of parents, students, and school. It is used as a guideline to get an understanding of the expectations of the student, the parent/guardian and the Title I Staff. This compact is an agreement that all parties will work together to increase the student's understanding of the materials in accordance with the curriculum frameworks. It is the policy of Old Colony Regional Vocational Technical High School to foster and maintain ongoing communications with parents concerning their student's educational progress, the professional qualifications of their student's teachers, and status of the student's school.



Admissions

Statewide interest in a high school vocational-technical education is on the rise. Old Colony is a selective high school with eighth-graders required to apply for admission. Each applicant is rated on grades, attendance, conduct, and sending school recommendations. In addition, all applicants receive a personal interview.

Old Colony Regional Vocational Technical High School admits students, and offers them its advantages, privileges, and courses of study without regard to race, color, sex, national origin, handicap, or sexual orientation.

How to apply

- 1. Complete an application. You may receive one from your school's guidance office.**
- 2. Submit your application to your guidance counselor.**
- 3. Your school will provide grades, attendance records, recommendations, and other relevant information.**
- 4. An interview will be scheduled for you with a member of the admissions team.**
- 5. Students who are accepted will be notified by mail.**
- 6. Some students will be placed on a waiting list, and will be notified if openings occur.**

Career Awareness Day

Old Colony conducts its Career Awareness Days program annually in late October.

Tours are given to the faculty and students of Freetown-Lakeville Middle School, Carver Middle School, Ford Middle School (Acushnet), and Old Rochester Jr. High School. It is a great opportunity for students who are interested in attending Old Colony.

Parents also visit the school on a Wednesday evening. A spaghetti dinner is served to the parents, who also view exhibits, and tour the building, and receive information about the application process and requirements for admission.

Non-Traditional

Take the road less traveled and pursue a non-traditional career at Old Colony. Don't let your gender get in the way of a great career. Each year more and more people look to break tradition when it comes to their future.

What is a non-traditional occupation?

Any occupation in which women and men comprise 25% or less of its total employment is considered nontraditional. *(This definition comes from the U.S. Department of Labor and refers specifically to individuals working in a specific occupation, not to students enrolled in a career or technical education program.)*

National Honor Society

The Old Colony Chapter of the National Honor Society exists to recognize the cumulative achievement of Sophomores, Juniors and Seniors at the school. Once each year, students are inducted into the National Honor Society.

Students may not apply for membership into the National Honor Society. Membership is granted only to those students selected by the Faculty Council. Students must be a member of the student body for a period of two trimesters in order to be considered for membership. Only Sophomores, Juniors and Seniors are eligible for membership.

For more information check out our student handbook at oldcolony.us.

Co-op

Old Colony offers Cooperative Education opportunities to their students. A cooperative work experience enables students to obtain practical job experiences. Applying their technical training in a work environment enriches the total educational program for the student. The cooperative education program helps build desirable character traits such as responsibility, self-reliance, punctuality and dependability. It helps students to develop good work habits and attitudes in a realistic adult work situation.

For more information please see Susan Abaray, Guidance Counselor.

Freshmen Orientation

Mandatory informational orientation for incoming freshmen and parents. Student handbook, disciplinary, athletics, and academics will be discussed. Students and parents will then be able to explore the shops and ask questions — shop teachers will give an overview.

Ongoing orientation the second Sunday of June.

Student Council

Our role of the Student Council is to provide leadership, school spirit, and student activities that promote self-worth, school involvement, and creates a sense of belonging for every student and staff member within the Old Colony community.

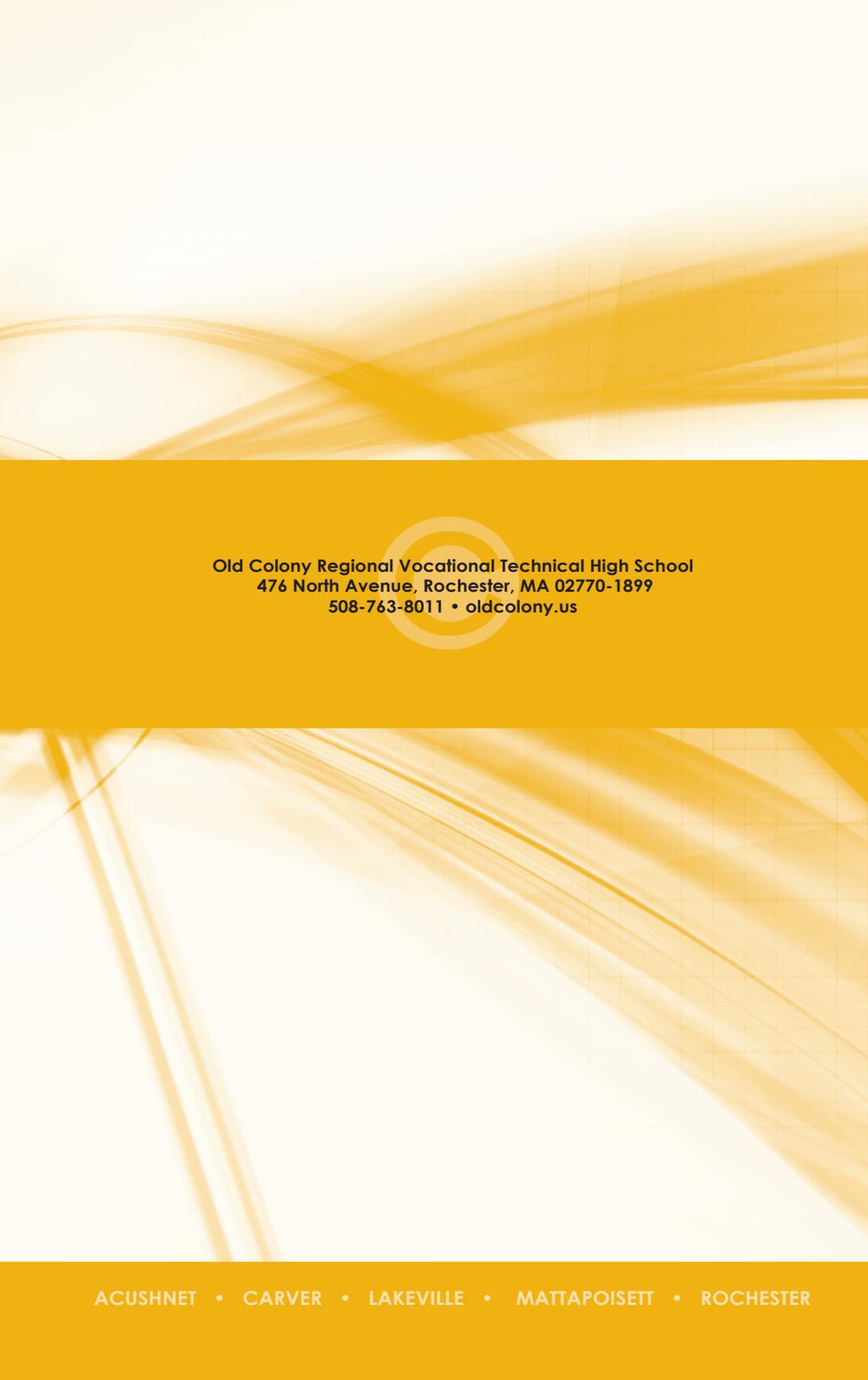
Our mission is to provide a positive school environment for all in attendance.





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