

...IN PARTNERSHIP WITH **BETHLEHEM AREA**
VOCATIONAL-TECHNICAL SCHOOL

What is the Fast-Track Program?

This highly competitive program is designed to provide ninth grade students who are at or above Grade Level standards (*8th grade transcript will be reviewed*) the opportunity to attend Bethlehem Area Vocational-Technical School during their freshman year during the 2nd semester.

This is a Career Exploration opportunity for a limited amount of students! Students will rotate through all career areas offered at BAVTS on a flex schedule during blocks 1 or 2 (Freedom) and 3 or 4 (Liberty) of their school day. By the end of the assigned semester, the students will have an opportunity to apply for a specific program for their 10th grade year. This is different from the traditional 10th grade student schedule of rotating through four (4) programs before selecting the program of their choice. This program gives the students a clear indication and **FastTrack** pathway to their potential career goals at the secondary level.

The Fast-Track Rotation

9th grade students will attend BAVTS during first or second block (Freedom) and third or fourth block (Liberty) of the 2nd semester. The first week consists of a tour of the entire school to better understand the framework of each program, career exploration projects, the creation of a personal trait brochure, and finally, program schedules. Weeks 2-11, students will be on a team of 2-3 students, explore each program, and create and present their experience of the assigned programs in a Slides presentation. After those exploratory weeks, students may choose one(1), two(2) or three(3) specific program(s) or continue to rotate through programs for the remainder of the semester. The last three (3) days of the semester will consist of an exit survey, scheduling decisions for 10th grade, and a short essay describing why they would like to transition into a specific program, if they so choose.

How will the Fast-Track students be graded?

Students in the FastTrack program will be assigned to a homeroom teacher who will act as their teacher of record and rotation facilitator. The **student will be responsible** for gathering their performance data from the assigned program instructor, who will provide a daily work ethic grade. The form used to gather this information will be handed in every Monday for the previous week.

How do I Apply?

Students should ask their Middle School Counselor for the BAVTS FastTrack Google Form application link.



FASTTRACK

PROGRAM

PROGRAMS YOU WILL EXPLORE!

Construction Cluster

- Carpentry
- Carpentry/Building Trades
- Electrical Construction
- HVAC
- Masonry
- Plumbing

Creative Cluster

- Commercial Art
- Graphic Communications
- Video & Media Arts
- Web Design & Development

Culinary Cluster

- Commercial Baking
- Culinary Arts (3)

Health Cluster

- Health Careers (3)
- Intro. to Sports Medicine

Manufacturing Cluster

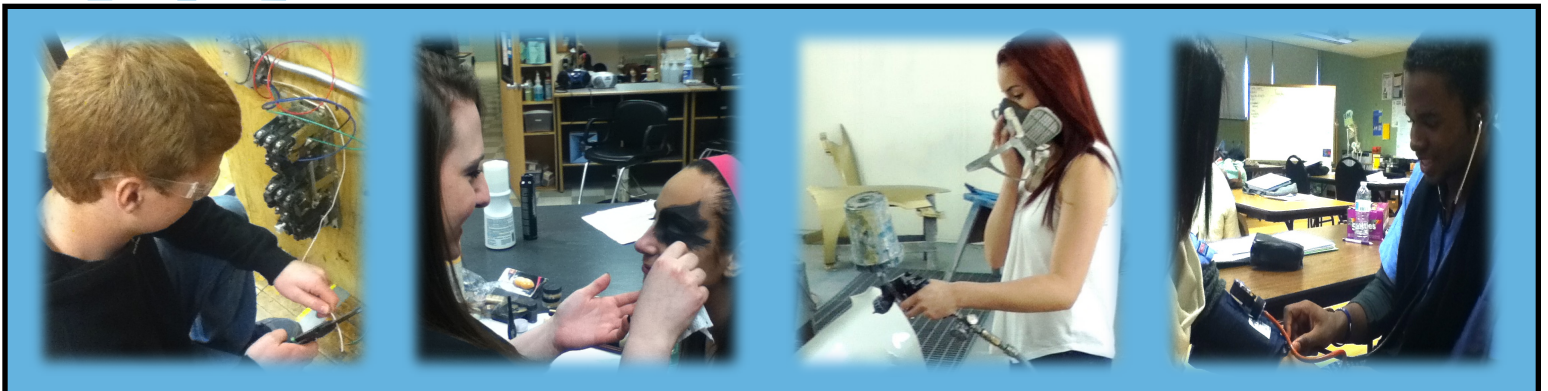
- Automated Manufacturing Technology
- Electronics Technology
 - Industrial Design & Advanced Manufacturing
- Welding Technologies

Services Cluster

- Computer Networking
- Cosmetology
- Esthetics
- Protective Services

Transportation Cluster

- Auto Collision Repair
- Auto Technician



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