



Putnam County
School District

On Course for a Successful Future

200 Reid Street Palatka, Florida 32177
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Dear Putnam County Parents,

Our public middle and high schools offer valuable and cost-saving opportunities for our students to bridge education to the workforce through our Career and Technical Education Programs. Many of our CTE programs offer students the opportunity to earn an industry-recognized certification. Many of these industry certifications earned by high school students in grades 10-12 articulate for postsecondary credits. This creates a cost savings for those credits earned when they are recognized by the receiving postsecondary institution. Though not all industry certifications earned in Florida schools apply towards college credit, the certifications earned are beneficial to our young people as they enter the workforce. The instructors of these programs are also certified professionals in the industry in which they assist students to become certified. Our students are being trained for a career by an industry expert, right in our PCSD schools.

Along with the financial benefits, students who earn an industry-recognized certification tend to feel a sense of accomplishment and to become more competitive in the marketplace. Employers can have confidence in knowing that a potential hire already holds the required credential for the career, giving our students the edge in the current job market.

Please review the attached page to see the return on investment that PCSD Industry Certifications can provide to you and your children.

Putnam County Schools Career and Technical Education Programs are truly "Career Pathways to a Successful Future!"

If you would like more information regarding Career and Technical Education Programs in Putnam County, visit our website at <http://www.putnamschools.org/departments> under Career and Technical Education or call Renee Hough, Director of Career and Technical Education at 386-329-0536.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Phyllis L. Criswell". The signature is fluid and cursive, written in a professional style.

Phyllis L. Criswell, Superintendent

Nikki Cummings, District I

David Buckles, District II

Terry Wright, District III

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Kathy Jorgensen, District IV

Jane Crawford, District V

Phyllis Criswell, Superintendent

**Return on Investment - Articulated College Credit of Gold Standard Industry Certifications
PCSD Industry Certifications
2015-2016**

| Certification | Certification Code | AS Program of Articulation | Articulated Credit | Average Tuition and Fees Per Credit Hour* | State College Savings |
|---|--------------------|--|--------------------|---|-----------------------|
| Agriculture Technician Certification | (FLFBR001) | Agriculture Production Technology | 2 | \$106.74 | \$213.48 |
| ASE Auto/Light Truck Tech: Engine Repair | (NIASE010) | Automobile Service Management Technology | 3 | \$106.74 | \$320.22 |
| ASE Auto/Light Truck Tech:Automatic Transmission/Transaxle | (NIASE005) | Automobile Service Management Technology | 3 | \$106.74 | \$320.22 |
| ASE Auto/Light Truck Tech: Steering and Suspension (A4) | (NIASE014) | Automobile Service Management Technology | 3 | \$106.74 | \$320.22 |
| ASE Auto/Light Truck Tech: Brakes (A5) | (NIASE007) | Automobile Service Management Technology | 3 | \$106.74 | \$320.22 |
| ASE Auto/Light Truck Tech: Electrical/Electronic Systems (A6) | (NIASE008) | Automobile Service Management Technology | 3 | \$106.74 | \$320.22 |
| ASE/ Auto/Light Truck Tech: Heating and Air Conditioning (A7) | (NIASE011) | Automobile Service Management Technology | 3 | \$106.74 | \$320.22 |
| ASE Auto Maintenance and Light Repair (G1) | (NIASE076) | Automotive Service Management Technology | 3 | \$106.74 | \$320.22 |
| Autodesk Certified User-AutoCAD Inventor | (ADESK011) | Engineering Technology | 3 | \$106.74 | \$320.22 |
| Biotechnician Assistant | (CERHB001) | Biotechnology | 3 | \$106.74 | \$320.22 |
| Certified Horticulture Professional | (FNGLA001) | Landscape and Horticulture Technology | 6 | \$106.74 | \$640.44 |
| Child Development Associate | (CPREC001) | Early Childhood Education | 9 | \$106.74 | \$960.66 |
| Cisco Certified Network Associate (CCNA) | (CISCO004) | Networking Services Technology | 12 | \$106.74 | \$1,280.88 |
| CompTIA A+ | (COMPT001) | Computer Engineering Technology | 6 | \$106.74 | \$640.44 |
| Food Service Management Professional | (NRAEF001) | Restaurant Management | 3 | \$106.74 | \$320.22 |
| Microsoft Office Specialist Bundle | (MICRO069) | Office Administration | 3 | \$106.74 | \$320.22 |
| MTA - Database Administration Fundamentals | (MICRO070) | Computer Information Technology | 3 | \$106.74 | \$320.22 |
| National Pro-Start Certificate of Achievement (NRAF002) | (NRAEF002) | Culinary Management | 3 | \$106.74 | \$320.22 |
| ServSafe Certified Professional Food Service Manager | (NRAEF003) | Culinary Management | 3 | \$106.74 | \$320.22 |

* Average Tuition and Fees Per Credit Hour: Resident Students Fee Per Credit Hour, Fall 2015 - 2016, Credit Programs: A & P, PSV, Developmental Education and EPI Programs