



*Welcome*  
**BLACKSTONE VALLEY TECH**  
**CLASS OF 2025**

**Vocational Department Presentation**  
**May 13, 2021**

# VOCATIONAL OFFICE

*Introducing the vocational staff...*

**Mr. Thomas Belland** – Construction Cluster

**Dr. Matthew Connors** – Technology Cluster

**Ms. Michele Denise** – Service Cluster

**Ms. Kim Elder** – Vocational & Career Education Data Specialist

# VOCATIONAL EDUCATION

- Educational experience that combine Academics & Career Technical learning.
- Career Technical Education (CTE) focus on growth over time – Introductory to Mastery of Skills.
- CTE Curriculum is guided by DESE competencies in each of our shop areas.
- The curriculum is continuously updated, and our teachers remain current on the latest technology and requirements in each field.

# EXPLORATORY PROCESS

The introduction and exploration of several career pathways through immersion into the program area.

- **7 Exploratory Cycles**

- Top **3** choices, **1** Non-traditional, **3** addition from top 10
- Schedule is designed from your FamilyID registration
- Schedule is given during Freshmen Orientation

- **Non-Traditional Shops**

- All students are assigned one non-traditional shop
- Non-traditional shops are determined by DESE

- **Exploratory Orientation**

- Each Friday prior to "shop week" for 45 minutes

# EXPLORATORY PROCESS

- **Uniform and Dress Codes for Exploratory**
  - Exploratory T- Shirt
    - One Complimentary Shirt will be ordered for you
    - How to order additional shirts, link to be sent via email
  - Jeans/Work Pants
  - Safety glasses
    - One set of Safety Glasses provided annually
    - Replacement glasses are \$2.00
  - Closed toed shoes
    - Do not invest in footwear until a shop is assigned
- **Exploratory Cycle Reflections**
  - During Career Enrichment class



# EXPLORATORY GRADING

- **Grading Rubric**

- Skill Development (Competency in technical area)
- Employability (Follows instructions)
- Workmanship (Quality of work)
- Workplace Readiness (Safety)
- Professionalism (Behavior)

- **Attendance**

- Make up work policy

- **Electronic Grading**

- Grades will be posted to iPass each week



# SELECTION AND PLACEMENT

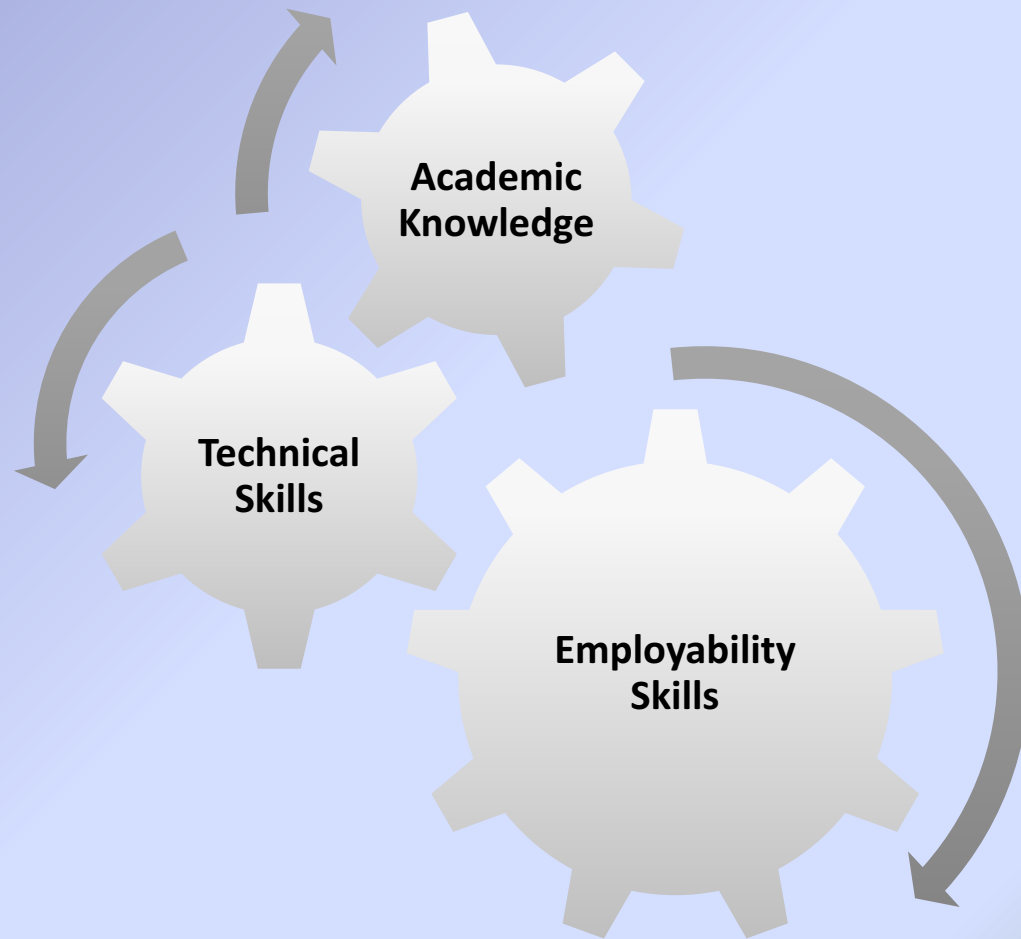
- Decide Survey is conducted (rank 1,2,3...)
- Students are placed according to their score in the selected program
- If a program fills, students will be placed in another program (choices 2-7)
- The overall average during exploratory may impact program placement, it is used as a tie-breaker

# SELECTION AND PLACEMENT *CONTINUED*

- Career night (November)
- Decide activity
- Initial placement (December)
- Extended exploratory (January & February)
- Wait list period
- Round 2 placement (March)
- Student Survey (April)
- Round 3 placement (May & June)
- Program switch deadline is T1 Sophomore Yr.

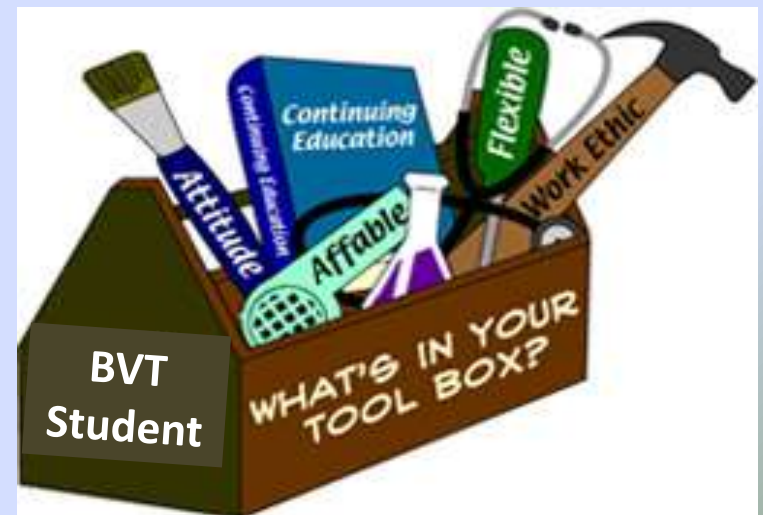


# VOCATIONAL LEARNING MODEL



# VOCATIONAL EXPECTATIONS

- Career Exploration
- Safety/OSHA
- Co-op/Internships
- Life-Long Learning & Adaptability
- Certifications and Licensure



# EXPLORATORY

SHOULD BE...



Rewarding and Fun



Different



Challenging



Direction

# VOCATIONAL RESOURCES

- Vocational Programs [Webpage](#)
- Twitter @BTVVocational
- Co-Op [Information](#)

## QUESTIONS



*Thank you*  
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