WPS Innovation Pathways

EMPOWERING STUDENTS WITH A CAREER VISION AND THE SKILLS TO PURSUE IT WITH CONFIDENCE

What is Innovation Pathways?

- Part of MA High Quality College and Career Pathways Initiative
- Career Options in fields of student choice
- Coursework and hands-on experience in a high-demand industry
- Partnerships with business and community organizations
- Supports and skills to persist in program and be professionally successful

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Course Pathways for Students Starting in 2018

		Required Technical Courses	Credentials
	Allied Health	Introduction to Health CareersCNA and Allied Health Skills	Prepares students for the Certified Nursing Assistant Certification; OSHA General Industry safety card
2	Civil Engineering	Introduction to ConstructionBasic Carpentry and Framing	Construction OSHA safety card; Preapprenticeship program certification (process begun)
3	Information Technology	IT EssentialsNetworking Essentials	Prepares students for the CompTIA A+ certification exams 220-1001 and 220-1002. Cisco Certification; OSHA General Industry safety card
4	Manufacturing	Introduction to Machine OperationsMachine Operations I	Prepares students for MACWIC, NIMS, and NC3 credentials; OSHA General Industry safety card

Why These Four Programs?

- DESE identified high-demand sectors based on state employment data
- ► High-demand areas for future central MA employment
- Ability to gain industry recognized credential
 - ▶ Make students more competitive in field
 - Provide student options for future in career path
- High interest areas based on
 - Student choice for WTHS
 - ▶ Student choice from sample group conversations at participating schools

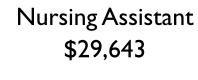
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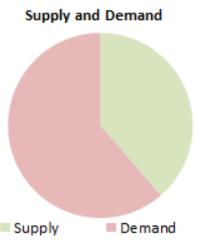
Industry Data – Allied Health



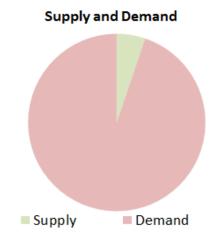
Local employers

- Umass/Umass Memorial, St. Vincent's
- CVS Caremark, Walgreens
- Long-term care facilities (nursing homes, assisted living centers), such as Beaumont, Christopher House, Holy Trinity, Notre Dame, Autumn Woods, etc.
- Additional future workforce need
 - Nurse Practitioners
 - ▶ 18.4% Growth Projection 2014-2024
 - Home Health Aides
 - 22.2% Growth Projections 2014-2024

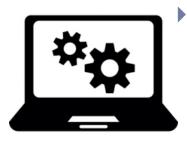




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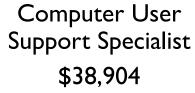


Industry Data – IT Networking



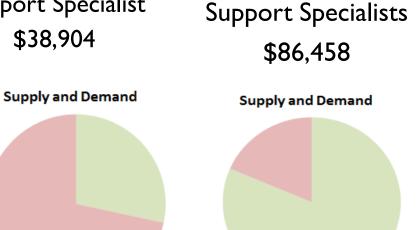
Local employers

- Umass
- BJ's Wholesale Club
- Booz Allen Hamilton
- eClinical Works
- Hanover Insurance
- Additional future workforce need
 - Software Systems Developer
 - ▶ 14.8% Growth Projection 2014-2024
 - Application Systems Developer
 - 13.2% Growth Projections 2014-2024



Supply

Demand



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Computer Network

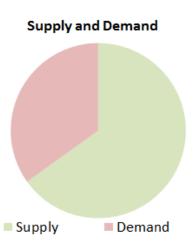
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Industry Data – Civil Engineering

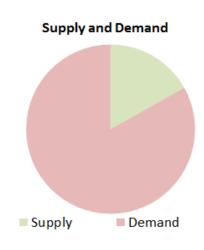


- Local employers
 - RH White Construction
 - Consigli
 - People Ready
 - MA Cities/Towns
- Additional future workforce need
 - General Repair/Maintenance
 - ▶ 4.5% Growth Projection 2014-2024
 - Construction Laborer
 - ▶ 5.0% Growth Projections 2014-2024





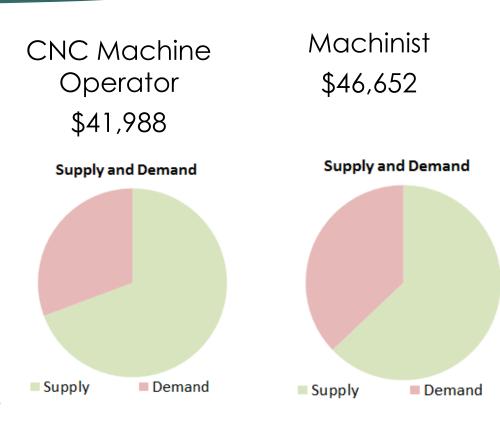




Industry Data – Advanced Manufacturing



- Local employers
 - > St. Gobain
 - Primetals
 - IPG Photonics
 - Abbvie
- Additional future workforce need
 - Machinists
 - ▶ 7.8% Growth Projection 2014-2024
 - Demand for workforce will increase as manufacturing takes on different forms



Applications

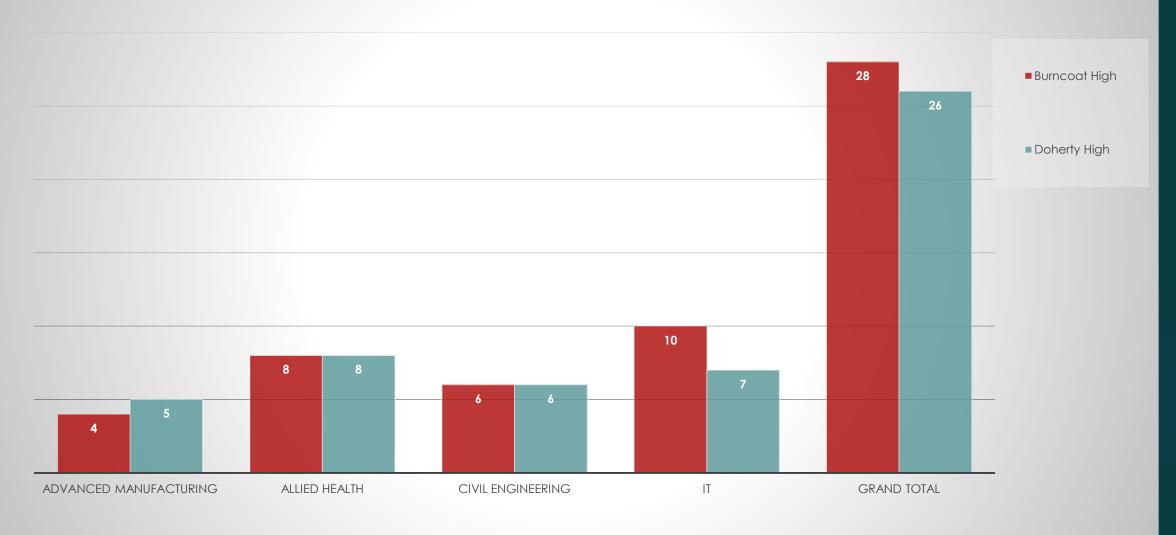
Qualifications

- ▶ Preference given to current 9th graders
- Must be passing 4 year-long classes at time of application (end of first semester)
- Must pass discipline review for safety (no drug, weapon, violence related suspensions)
- ▶ Have 10 or fewer absences at time of application (end of first semester)
- Must complete application
 - ▶ 2-3 sentence personal statement
 - ▶ Teacher recommendation
- ▶ If all above requirements are met, students will participate in an interview
- ▶ Team from all represented schools meet to discuss applicants
 - Select candidates and waiting list based on random number assignment

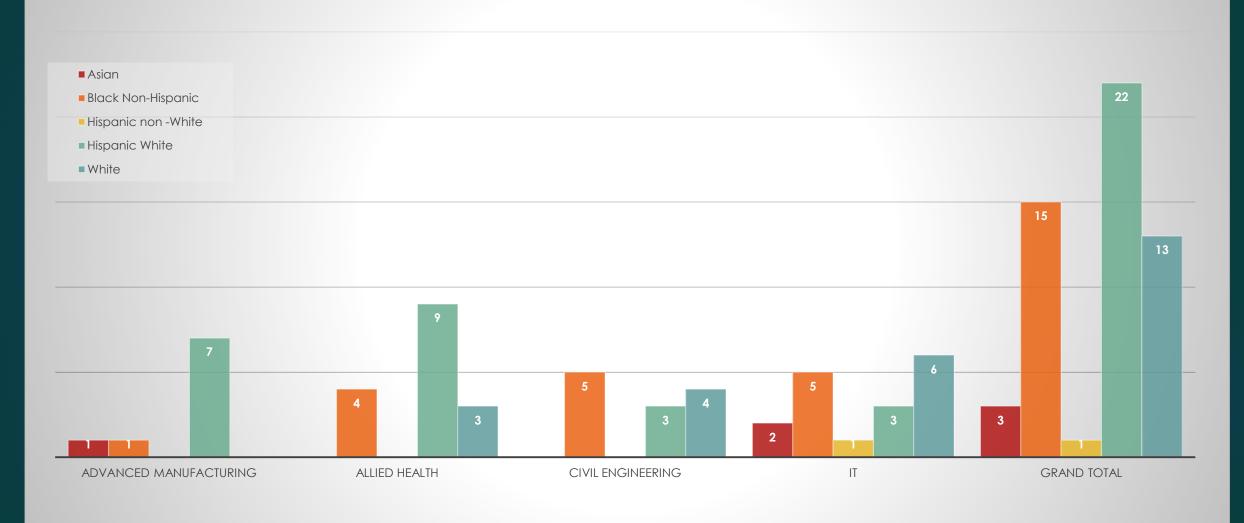
Application Recap

	Total Student Numbers
Allied Health (16)	77
Civil Engineering (12)	52
Advanced Manufacturing (12-14)	6
IT (20)	37
Unknown	11
9th Grade	90
10th Grade	91
11th grade	2
Burncoat	82
Doherty	101

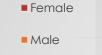
Enrollment Data (School)

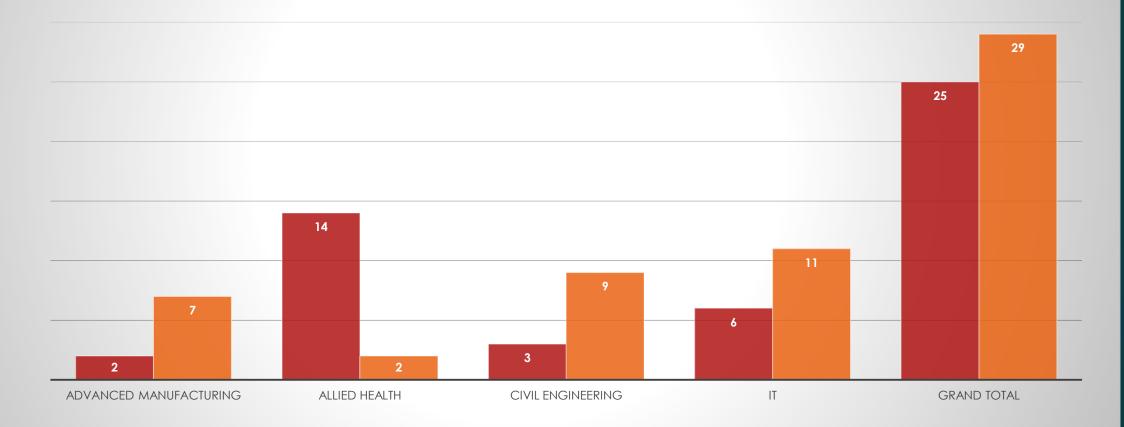


Enrollment Data (Ethnicity)









Other Enrollment Information

- ▶ 54 Students are currently enrolled as of 9/25/18
 - ▶ 23 are designed as EL students
 - ▶ 2 level-2 students
 - ▶ 10 level-3 students
 - ▶ 6 level-4 students
 - ► 5 level-5 students
 - > 9 students currently receive special education services

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Current Innovation Pathways Staff

- ▶ Sherri Milkowski College and Career Readiness 1 @ Burncoat
- ▶ John Creamer College and Career Readiness 1 @ Doherty
- Brian Cummings Advanced Manufacturing
- Joe Lonergan Civil Engineering
- ▶ Paula Lonergan Allied Health
- Susan Leboeuf IT Networking
- Jennifer Hardy Advising and committed to teaching IT Computer Science next year

College and Career Readiness Curriculum

- Students take class at home high school and in a cohort
 - ► Challenge to schedule all students
- ► Chapter 74 Strand 4 Employability and Career Readiness Skills
- ► Chapter 74 Strand 5 Business Management and Entrepreneurship Skills
 - ▶ Will incorporate personal as well as business finance skills
- ► Chapter 74 Strand 6 Technological Skills
 - Incorporates research, problem solving, collaborative work

Future Expansion

- ▶ IT will be split into 2 pathways
 - ► Computer Science and Web Development
 - ▶ IT Essentials and Networking
- ► All WPS high schools will be invited to have their students participate beginning in 2019-2020
- Expansion of one program each year for the next 4 years