



CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

HORTICULTURE, LANDSCAPING & FLORAL DESIGN

CTE COURSE SYLLABUS

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Course Description: A two-year program that incorporates contemporary knowledge, skills, and practices found in the horticulture, floral, and landscaping industries and is aligned with the NYS Nursery & Landscape Association's Certified Nursery & Landscape Professional Certification.

Prerequisites: The class is open to juniors and seniors in high school as well as adults.

1 Year/2 Years: The Horticulture Program can be taken for one year as a senior or two years starting in the student's junior year.

Location: F. Donald Myers Education Center

Course Objective: To develop entry level skills necessary for employment and to encourage students to study horticulture, landscaping, and floral design in college.

- Course Topic Outline:**
- Employability in the horticulture industry
 - Greenhouse crop production
 - Retail operations
 - Landscape and turf maintenance
 - Plant anatomy
 - Plant physiology
 - Floral design
 - Integrated pest management
 - Soil science
 - Plant identification
 - Landscape construction
 - Plant propagation

Student Course Requirements: Students must be serious about making a commitment to study Horticulture, Landscaping, and Floral Design. Good attendance and personal attitude are essential for success.

Textbooks/ Materials Resources: Introductory Horticulture (sixth edition) by H. Edward Reiley & Carroll Shry, Jr.

Assessments/ Technical Assessments:
› Cornell Agricultural Education Technical Performance Assessment
› Precision Exams Plant & Soil Science I

Grading System: Quizzes 15% | Projects 40% | In-Class Assignments 20% | Tests 20% | Homework/Journal 5%

Attendance & Class Participation: The WSWHE BOCES has an attendance policy that requires students to miss no more than 18 days across the school year. For those times when it is necessary to be absent, a written note from the parent/guardian will be expected the next class day.

Activities/Labs/ Projects/Clinics: Greenhouse crop production and retail sales, custom floral design, and landscape installation and maintenance projects.

Student Provided Material List: All other materials will be provided.

The future of career success starts here.

Industry Certification: › Cornell Agricultural Education Technical Performance Assessment
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Articulation Agreements: Each Career and Technical Education (CTE) program is geared to ready students for the world of work and for the rigors of post-secondary coursework. To that end, each program has worked with area colleges to obtain articulation agreements that allow for advance standing or the issuance of credit to those CTE students meeting all program requirements and articulation agreement standards. We currently have an articulation agreement in place with:

› SUNY Cobleskill

ELA/Math Credit Integrated Academic Overview: Each CTE program offered at the WSWHE BOCES has five (5) major curriculum elements that (acquire over a one year or two year period. Two (2) of the five (5) curriculum elements include English Language Arts and Mathematics. These program elements are taught using a co-teaching model, which teams the CTE subject experts and certified English and Math instructors. Topics in English and Math are tied to specific business and industry course content, which illustrates to students how academic material and business knowledge and skill relate to one another. English and Math elements are taught at the commencement level and meet NYS Standards for students to obtain one (1) credit for each over a two-year period. Program specifics are as follows:

Commencement Level Math. 54 hours/yr
English Language Arts. 54 hours/yr
1 credit = 108 hours

Career & Financial Management Credit Overview: Each CTE program offered at the WSWHE BOCES offers a Career & Financial Management credit to all students who successfully complete a CTE program. This curriculum element is comprised of two major parts; (A) Introduction to Occupations and (B) Nature of Industry. Part A is delivered through integrated class assignments, while Part B is automatically delivered due to the nature of CTE.

National Technical Honor Society Nomination Requirements: › Maintain a cumulative CTE average of 92% or higher based upon 1st & 2nd quarter grades.
› Maintain a record of excellent attendance in CTE (9 days per year).
› Plan to pursue a career in their field of training.
› Maintain an outstanding record of employability skills as judged by the CTE instructor.
› Nomination by the CTE instructor with no reservations.
› Instructor nomination must include a yes answer to the following characteristics established by the national office: follows instructions, safety conscious, works well with others, is dependable, trustworthy, responsible, honest, takes pride in work, exhibits a good attitude, exhibits leadership, exhibits good citizenship.

Student Affiliated Organization:

- › SkillsUSA
- › FFA Club

WBL Experiences/ Requirements:

Each CTE program has a Work-Based Learning experience. This means that all students prior to the end of the second year are given the opportunity to be exposed to the operation of a business and specific job duties related to careers in their CTE area. This internship is designed to connect the skills and knowledge learned in the CTE classroom with the real world requirements of a business. Students must demonstrate good attendance, attitude, internship records, and work ethics, as well as respect for others and property.

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