



Articulation Agreements

Blue Hills Regional Technical School's vocational programs are linked with multiple public and private two-year and four-year colleges through articulation agreements. This allows admission, college credit and advanced standing to be awarded to vocational students who meet articulation criteria:

Participating Colleges and Universities:

- Mass Bay Community College
- Universal Technical Institute
- Central Maine Community College
- University of Northwestern Ohio
- Culinary Institute of America
- Bunker Hill Community College
- Ben Franklin Institute of Technology
- Bristol Community College
- Massasoit Community College
- Quincy College
- Johnson & Wales University

Blue Hills Regional Technical Programs Participating in Articulation Agreements:

- Auto Repair
- Collision Repair
- Construction Technology
- Computer Information Systems
- Criminal Justice
- Culinary Arts
- Drafting/CAD
- Design & Visual Communications
- Early Education
- Electrical
- Electronics
- Engineering
- Graphic Communications
- Health Assisting

Cooperative Education

The co-op program provides students with the opportunity to apply their technical training and develop additional skills in a paid work environment while earning credit toward their vocational program. The cooperative education program is available to qualified juniors in their third and fourth terms and also for seniors, provided academic and attendance eligibility requirements are met.

Student Life

Students at Blue Hills Regional Technical School may participate in a wide range of athletics and extracurriculars. Sports include football, soccer, volleyball, cheerleading, golf, basketball, rugby (varsity sport), swimming, ice hockey, baseball, track and field, softball and lacrosse. Activities and clubs include the Gay/Straight Alliance, National Honor Society, SkillsUSA, Student Council, Students Against Destructive Decisions (SADD), Yearbook, School Newspaper, Math Club, Robotics Club, Multicultural Coalition, Green Team, and Non-Traditional by Gender Group.

Recent College Acceptances

Anna Maria College
 Bay State College
 Becker College
 Benjamin Franklin Institute
 Berklee School of Music
 Boston University
 Bridgeton Academy
 Bridgewater State University
 Bryant University
 Catholic University
 Center for Digital Imaging Arts of B.U.
 Central Maine Community College
 Colby-Sawyer College
 College of Saint Rose
 Clark University
 Culinary Institute of America
 Curry College
 Dean College
 DePaul University
 Drew University
 Drexel University
 Eastern Nazarene College
 Elms College
 Emerson College

Emmanuel College
 Fisher College
 Fitchburg State University
 Framingham State University
 Franklin Pierce University
 Howard University
 Johnson and Wales University
 Keene State College
 Laboure College
 Lafayette University
 Lasell College
 Lesley College
 Maine Maritime Academy
 Mass. Bay Community College
 Mass. College of Art
 Mass. College of Liberal Arts
 Mass. College of Pharmacy
 Mass. Maritime Academy
 Merrimack College
 Montserrat College of Art
 Mount Ida College
 Newbury College
 New England Culinary Institute
 New England Institute of Art

N.E. School of Communications
 New England Institute of Technology
 New Hampshire Institute of Art
 Northeastern University
 Norwich University
 Plymouth State University
 Providence College
 Purdue University
 Quinnipiac University
 Regis College
 Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
 Ringling College of Art and Design
 Rochester Institute of Technology
 Roger Williams University
 Salem State University
 Salve Regina University
 Seton Hall University
 Shintaro Akatsu School of Design
 Simmons College
 Southern New Hampshire University
 Southern Vermont University
 St. Michael's College
 Stonehill College
 Suffolk University

Temple University
 University of Connecticut
 University of Hartford
 University of Maine
 University of Mass. Amherst
 University of Mass. Boston
 University of Mass. Dartmouth
 University of Mass. Lowell
 University of New England
 University of New Hampshire
 University of New Haven
 University of Northern-Carolina-Asheville
 University of Northwestern Ohio
 University of Rhode Island
 University of Southern Maine
 U.S. Coast Guard Academy
 Utica College
 Wentworth Institute of Technology
 Westfield State University
 Western New England College
 Wheelock College
 Worcester Polytechnic Institute



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Blue Hills Regional Technical School's mission is to continue its history of academic achievement, technical training and character development through a curriculum which emphasizes the integration of cutting-edge technical programs and challenging academic courses, enabling its students to become competent, caring and productive people in a diverse and changing world.

TECHNICAL PROGRAMS

- Automotive Collision Repair & Refinishing
- Automotive Technology
- Computer Information Systems
- Construction Technology
- Cosmetology
- Criminal Justice
- Culinary Arts
- Design & Visual Communications
- Drafting / CAD
- Early Education and Care
- Electrical Technology
- Electronics
- Engineering Technology
(Nationally certified by Project Lead the Way...www.pltw.org)
- Graphic Communications
- Health Assisting
- Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning & Refrigeration
- Metal Fabrication & Joining Technologies

LICENSES & CERTIFICATIONS AVAILABLE TO QUALIFIED STUDENTS

CRIMINAL JUSTICE	COSMETOLOGY	COMPUTER INFORMATION SYSTEMS
CPR, First aid, 911 dispatching	Cosmetology License, Manicure License	IC3, MOS, A+, prepare students to take CCent
CULINARY	EARLY EDUCATION	ELECTRICAL
Serve safe food protection manager certification	Pre-school teaching assistant with an additional 12 hours per week of working with infants/toddlers. Students can also earn their Infant/Toddler certification	Hours towards journeyman license
HEALTH ASSISTING	HVAC&R	METAL FABRICATION & JOINING
CNA, CPR, first aid, basic EKG, Home health aide	3 EPA Certifications, MVAC Certification, R410 Certification, Oil Burner Apprentice Certification (students over 18)	American Welding Society (AWS) DI.1/D1.5 unlimited thickness structural steel welding certification

* Students in all 17 vocational areas should obtain their OSHA 10 card before they graduate.

* Students in all areas will earn a Certificate of Proficiency in their specific program area.

VOCATIONAL PROGRAM CERTIFICATE OF PROFICIENCY

To receive a Certificate of Proficiency in a vocational area, a student is required to pass all four years of a vocational program. However, the last three years (sophomore through senior) must be in the same vocational program.

SCHOOL INFORMATION

Blue Hills Regional Technical School is a four-year public high school. The Blue Hills Regional School District was formed on December 17, 1963, to serve the needs of member towns' residents. The District includes Avon, Braintree, Canton, Dedham, Holbrook, Milton, Norwood, Randolph and Westwood. The District School Committee was authorized by the Towns to establish and maintain educational programs at the secondary, post-secondary and adult levels in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 74 of the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. In addition to grades 9 through 12, Blue Hills has a post-graduate Practical Nursing program, Adult Basic Education, Continuing Education, and ESOL/GED programs. It is accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges and the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education.

The Blue Hills Regional Technical School District is an equal opportunity educational institution. All programs, courses of study and activities are open to all students without regard to race, color, sex, religion, national origin, gender identity or disability. The School District is in full compliance with Massachusetts Law, Chapter 622 of the Acts of 1971, and Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 (U.S. Code), and section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. Individuals may make inquiries relative to Chapter 622 and Title IX from the coordinator at the school address or by phoning 781-828-5800.

COMMUNITY

The Town of Canton is a primarily residential community located 18 miles southwest of Boston. The Town enjoys a prime location near major highways including Routes 128, I-95, and 24 and is served by major commuter and passenger rails. Commercial and industrial enterprises play a key role in the Town's fiscal stability.

PROMOTION - GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

- Year-long academic classes that meet for **two** periods each day are worth TWO (2) credits
- Year-long academic classes that meet for **one** period each day are worth ONE (1) credit
- Half-year academic classes that meet for one period each day (or any one-period classes that meet on an alternating day schedule) are worth HALF (.5) of one credit.
- Beginning in the school year 2017-2018, all students must earn a minimum of 17 credits in order to be promoted to the next grade. Full participation in vocational technical programs, as well as its technical/related class, is worth EIGHT (8) credits
- MCAS Competency Determination Mandated by the DESE Students must either earn a scaled score of at least 240 on the grade 10 MCAS ELA & Mathematics tests earn a scaled score between 220 & 238 on these tests and fulfill the requirements of an Educational Proficiency Plan (EPP).
- Students must also earn a scaled score of at least 220 on one of the high school MCAS Science and Technology tests: Biology, Chemistry, Introductory Physics or Technology/Engineering.

GRADING / UNWEIGHTED GPA SCALE

The grading system for Blue Hills Regional Technical School consists of numerical grades. Numerical grades are rounded to the nearest whole number. Grades are converted to letter grades for transcripts. Blue Hills uses the following system in determining letter grades: Blue Hills offers 22 Honors level courses, including all subjects and grade levels, and 3 AP courses, which seniors may enroll in with permission from the department chair.

Letter grade	Numerical grade	Grade Point Average
A	93-100	4.0
A-	90-92	3.7
B+	87-89	3.3
B	83-86	3.0
B-	80-82	2.7
C+	77-79	2.3
C	73-76	2.0
C-	70-72	1.7
D+	68-69	1.3
D	63-67	1.0
D-	60-62	0.7
F	Below 60	0.0

CLASS RANK

Quality points are applied to a student's grade point average in order to determine a Weighted GPA. Many of the core academic classes are offered at different levels:

AP* = 4.25 QP

Honors* = 4 QP

College & Vocational = 3 or 3.5 QP

Standard or Team = 2QP

Resource / Other = 1QP

*Honors level courses (4 Quality points) may require Lead Teacher approval.

*AP courses require Lead Teacher and Academic Director approval.

Class of 2018 Dept/Subject	Min. credits earned towards graduation	Required credits toward graduation
English	8	8
Mathematics	8	8
Science	6	6
Social Studies	5	5
PE/Health (alt. -P.A.S.S)	4	4
Electives	4	4
Career Vocational Technical Education Program (9-12, including Exploratory)	32	32
	67	67

Class of 2019 and after	Min. credits earned towards	Required credits toward graduation
English	8	8
Mathematics	8	8
Science	6	6
Social Studies	6	6
PE/Health (alt. -P.A.S.S)	4	4
Electives	4	4
Career Vocational Technical Education Program (9-12, including Exploratory)	32	32
	68	68

CLASS RANK

Grade point averages (GPA) and class rank are important to students seeking scholarships, financial assistance, and other post-secondary endeavors. GPA and class rank are calculated using a system of levels and credits.

DUAL ENROLLMENT PROGRAM

Dual enrollment is a cooperative program with Massachusetts Universities and Community Colleges enabling high school students to enroll in tuition-free or reduced-tuition college courses while still in high school. After successful completion of a Dual Enrollment course students will receive college credit. (These credits cannot replace required high school credits). Enrollment is on a space-available basis. Classes may be taken only after regular school hours.