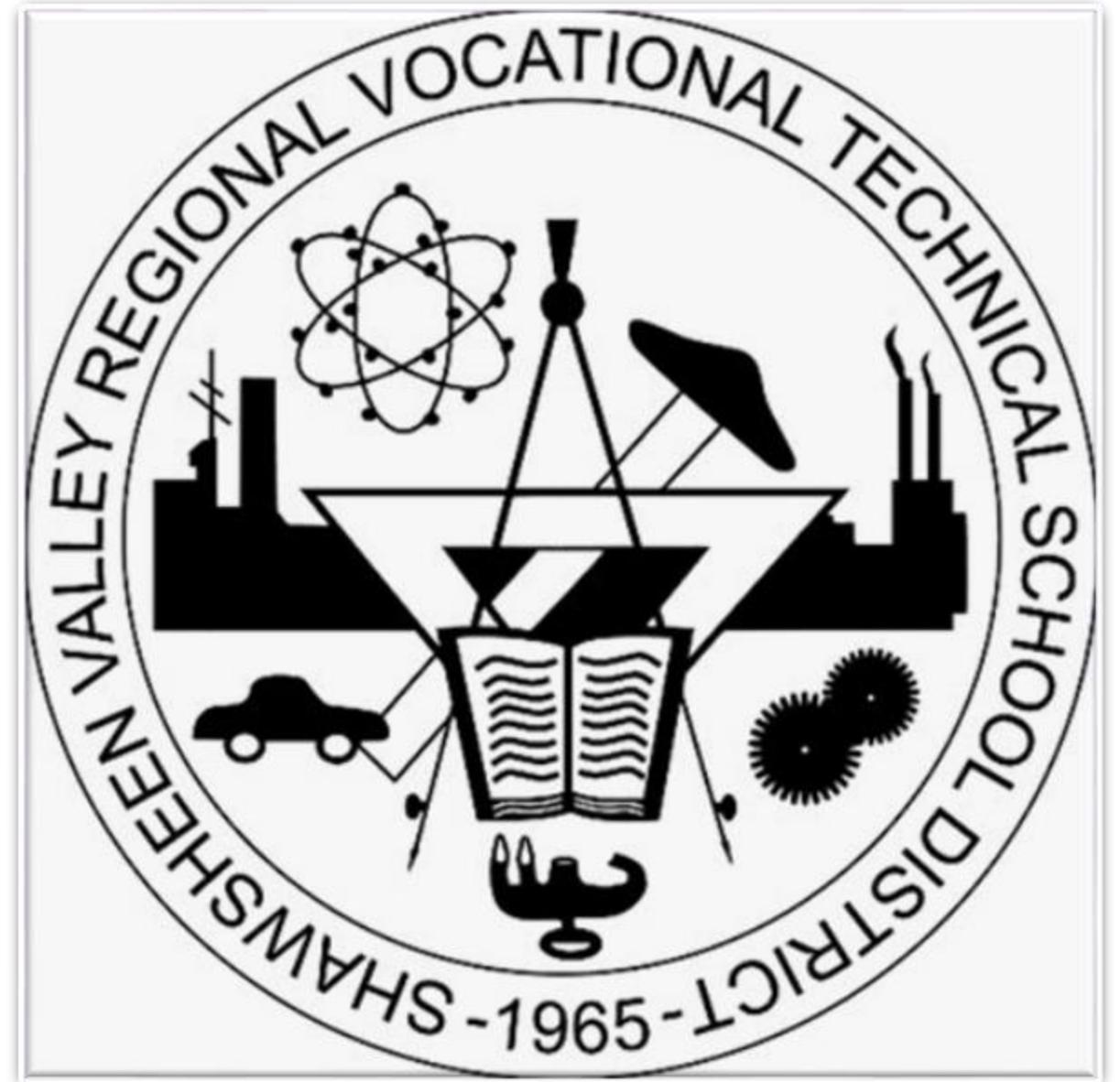


Welcome!

Class of 2027
Parent/Guardians

September 28, 2023





Our Mission

At Shawsheen Valley Technical High School, it is our mission to provide a positive learning experience in a safe educational environment that encourages all students to reach their full potential, emphasizes the value of a strong work ethic, and prepares them for adult life in a competitive world.

Tony McIntosh, Superintendent-Director
Jessica Cook, Principal



Core Values

SVTHS Core Values		
Accountability	Integrity	Respect
<i>Take responsibility for your words, actions, and commitments.</i>	<i>Be honest and do the right thing, even when no one else is watching.</i>	<i>Treat everyone the way you wish to be treated.</i>
At SVTHS, we strive to be our best selves, and hold ourselves accountable for our own words and actions. We follow through on our commitments and take responsibility when we fail to meet this standard.	We believe in being honest and doing the right thing. We hold ourselves to this high standard even when it is inconvenient or when no one else is watching.	We are committed to creating a safe, welcoming, and inclusive learning environment for all members of our community. We exhibit respect for one another through our words and actions, and by assuming best intentions of one another.
<p><i>We exhibit accountability by:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Showing up on time. ▪ Showing up prepared. ▪ Following through on our commitments. ▪ Asking for help when we need it. ▪ Learning from our mistakes. ▪ Being a part of the solution. 	<p><i>We exhibit integrity by:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Being honest and trustworthy. ▪ Doing what is right. ▪ Putting in our best effort. ▪ Setting a good example for our peers. ▪ Accepting responsibility for our mistakes. ▪ Repairing our mistakes. 	<p><i>We exhibit Respect by:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Speaking kindly to one another. ▪ Listening to one another. ▪ Cleaning up after ourselves. ▪ Accepting & celebrating differences. ▪ Treating every day like a new day. ▪ Assuming best intentions.



Shawsheen Tech School Day Hours

7:30am Students
Report
to Homerooms
Periods 1-8 (43
minutes each)

10:47am–12:36pm
Lunch Periods
(5) 21 minute lunch
periods

2:04pm Students
Dismissed

3:15pm Late Bus
Leaves (Mon-Thurs)
No Bus on Half Days

5:30pm "Sports" Bus
Leaves (Mon-Fri)

Everyone is welcome
to take either
late bus. Neither late
bus is restricted to
any population of the
student body.

Student Services

Jeff Albert – Director of Support Services

Jim Carlson – Director of Guidance and Health Services

School Counselors

Angela Caira – Grade 9 (Last Name A-L)

Andy Alsup – Grade 9 (Last Name M-Z)

Greg Harrison – Advanced Manufacturing, Auto Body, Automotive, Dental Assisting, Medical Lab Assisting and Metal Fabrication

Terry Henry – Business Tech/Marketing, Drafting, Graphic Arts, Health Assisting, Masonry

Kelly McFadden – Carpentry, Electrical, HVAC, Plumbing

Amanda Samaha – Cosmetology, Culinary Arts/Hospitality, DVC, Electronics/Engineering, ISSN, Programming and Web Development

Student Support Services

School Adjustment Counselors

- **Julie Yentile**
- **Felicia Holmes/Michelle Arria**

School Psychologists

- **Tracy Lucci**
- **Lisa Driscoll – Team Chair**

English Language Development Teacher

- **Anastasia Campbell**





David Norkiewicz
Director of Vocational Technical Programs



Co-Op Placement – Class of 2023

Brian Smith - Co-op Coordinator

- 175 (54%) of Seniors are currently employed in a cooperative placement
- Gross wages earned to date is \$268,500

Expectations of the Exploratory Experience

- **14 Different Program Cycles**
 - **Each Cycle is Week-long**
- **All programs have enrollment capacities.**
- **A student's performance is essential in obtaining their top selection.**
- **Students will select their shop at the beginning of the 4th Quarter.**

Exploratory Assessment Rubric

ASSESSMENT	Does not meet Standards	Developing	Moderate	Accomplished
6 Areas of Performance, Understanding & Behavior				
Points	1	2.35	3.35	4
Ability to follow Instructions Both Written & Verbal	Student digresses; serious omissions of instructions; no attempt made to integrate instructions to assignments and activities	Student only partially develops understanding of instruction; some basic points left out on assignments and activities	Student shows some minor misunderstandings of instructions; some minor details missing from assignments and activities	Students can present, explain, and interpret instructions, illustrating key points & implementing them on assignments and activities
Quality & Completeness of Work in a Timely Manner	Does not work on assignments and activities - Very little accomplished	Completes some assignments and activities Below Minimum Requirements	Completes all assignments and activities in an appropriate time frame	Completes all assignments and activities faster than expected
Attention to Task & Interaction	Does not respond appropriately to peers or their property - has lack of respect for others' opinions & does not follow directions	Sometimes responds appropriately to peers and their property - Sometimes respects others' opinions & occasionally follow directions	Usually responds appropriately to peers, respects others property, respects others' opinions & follow directions	Always responds appropriately to peers, respects others property, respects others' opinions & follow directions
Respect for Safety: Tools, PPE, & Equipment	Does not follow safety guidelines for environment, apparel, equipment operations	Some safety violations of environment, apparel, equipment operations - Daily reminders needed	One or two minor safety infractions of environment, apparel, equipment operations	Student has performed and fulfilled all required safety procedures -- Makes a conscious effort to be safe
Knowledge Growth Rate	Student's growth rate is stagnant. Poor quality of work - Does not meet minimum standards	Student's growth rate is slow moving. Below average work quality - Meets minimum standards	Student's knowledge is average & above - Good workmanship - Meets average standards	Student's knowledge expands exponentially. Precise, exceptional quality work exceeds standards
Structure & Regularity of Character Traits	Destructive behavior - Disgruntled or unhappy	Erratic behavior having no certain or definite interest	Positive attitude, showed motivation	Has a passion for program - worked to maximum potential
	24 = 100%	19 = 80%	14 = 60%	09 = 40%
	23 = 96%	18 = 76%	13 = 56%	08 = 36%
	22 = 92%	17 = 72%	12 = 52%	07 = 32%
	21 = 88%	16 = 68%	11 = 48%	06 = 28%

Freshmen Selection/Placement Timeline



Shop Selection Meetings (Forms distributed electronically) — Thursday March 28, 2024



Shop Selection Forms Due (Select top 3 Choices, review with guardian, submit electronically) — Monday April 1, 2024



Placement Process — Week of April 1, 2024 – April 5, 2024



Individual Meetings (With any student who doesn't receive 1st choice*) — Tuesday April 2, 2024, Wednesday April 3, 2024, and Thursday April 4, 2024



Students Receive Notice of Permanent Vocational/Technical Shop Placement via Shawsheen email Friday April 5, 2024



Begin in Permanent Vocational/Technical Shop Placement — Monday April 8, 2024

Get involved with our Shawsheen Clubs

Assistant Principal for Student Affairs—Kevin Caruso
Freshman Class Advisor- Maria Baker-mbaker@shawtech.org

GET INVOLVED!

Clubs & Activities

Alumni Association	Parents' Adv. Council
Art Club	Ramblings
Anti-Bullying Club	Robotics Club
Book Club	Ski Club
Chess Club	SkillsUSA
GSA	Student Council
Gaming Club	Student Orientation & Mentoring
Music Club	TDVA
Literary Magazine	Theater Arts Club
Math Club	Traveling Rams
NVT Honor Society	Yearbook
Public Speaking	Sportsmen Club
Diversity Club	
Newspaper Club	

Sports

Football	Swimming
Volleyball	Boys Lacrosse
Wrestling	Girls Lacrosse
Boys Soccer	Track and Field
Girls Soccer	Cheerleading
Cross Country	Baseball
Boys Hockey	Football
Girls Hockey	Softball
Boys Basketball	Tennis
Girls Basketball	Golf
Football Cheering	
Esports	

CONTACT: [QR Code]

HAVE FUN!

MAKE NEW FRIENDS!

MAKE A DIFFERENCE!



ATHLETICS AT SHAWSHEEN

Director of Athletics—Al Costabile



Educational Technology and Digital Learning

Annamaria Schrimpf – Director of Educational Technology & Digital Learning

All 9th Graders participate in Digital Literacy

We have a 1:1 laptop program

- Tech Insurance

Important for students to:

- Charge the laptop overnight
- Update laptop when needed
- Laptop is for student use only
- Week 1- ACADEMIC week students should bring laptop everyday
- Week 2 – SHOP week dependent on student's teacher
- Office 365

Help desk ticket located on Shawsheen website → About Us → Ed Tech → Digital Learning Resources

- Assistance for ASPEN login issues
- Parent contact information changes





The Freshmen Year Academic Experience

Director of Academic Programs—Danica Johnston

All students take:

- English 9
 - Geometry or Algebra I
 - US History I
 - Civic Literacy
 - Digital Literacy
 - Biology
 - PE/Health
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Museum of Science Field Trip

Freshmen October 17th, 2023

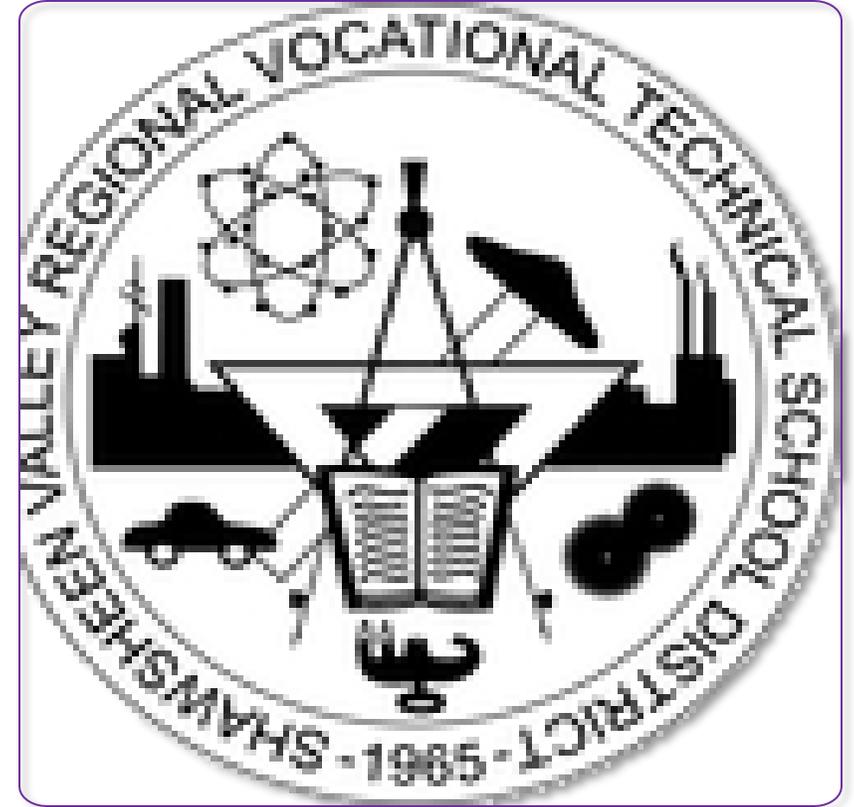


Exciting Opportunities in the years ahead

- Concurrent Enrollment Course
- Articulation agreements with many colleges
- Elective courses (PE, History, Science)
- Spanish courses
- Graduation Requirements:
- 4 years of English
- 3 years of Math
- 2 years of Science
- 2 years of Social Studies
- 1 additional year of either Science or Social Studies

All course descriptions are available in the *SVTHS Program of Studies 2023-2024*

(located on the School Website)



Parent Advisory Council

- First Tuesday of each month at 7 PM in the Shawsheen Cafeteria
 - October 3
 - November 7
 - December 5
 - January 9
 - February 6
 - March 5
 - April 2
 - May 7
 - June 12

Shawsheen Valley Technical High School PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL (PAC)

100 Cook Street, Billerica, MA 01821

E-mail: shawsheentechpac@gmail.com

Faith: 978-314-3389, Leslee: 978-729-7785

 Follow us on Facebook: [Shawsheen Tech Parent Advisory Council](#)

The PAC can't run without volunteers.

We welcome all members of the RAM FAM!

2023-2024 PAC Board:

Co Presidents: Faith Stevens & Leslee Quick

Secretary: Heather Long

Treasurer: Domenic Spoto

Communications Officer: Jaimelyn Raposa

Faculty Liaison: Marygrace Ferrari

All Night Grad (ANG) Party Chairperson: Michele MacPherson

2023-2024 Meetings*

Monthly meetings are held the **first Tuesday of each month** at 7PM in the Cafeteria.

October 3	March 5
November 7	April 2
December 5	May 7
January 9	June 12
February 6	

*Meeting dates and location subject to change. All meetings and changes will be posted on Shawsheen

Don't be a bystander.

If you see something, report it:

Bullying/Retaliation: Kevin Caruso, Assistant Principal (ext. 1505; kcaruso@shawtech.org)
Christine Tobin, Dean of Students (ext. 1506; ctobin@shawtech.org)

Civil Rights Coordinator: Jim Carlson, Director of Guidance & Health Services (ext. 1315; jcarlson@shawtech.org)

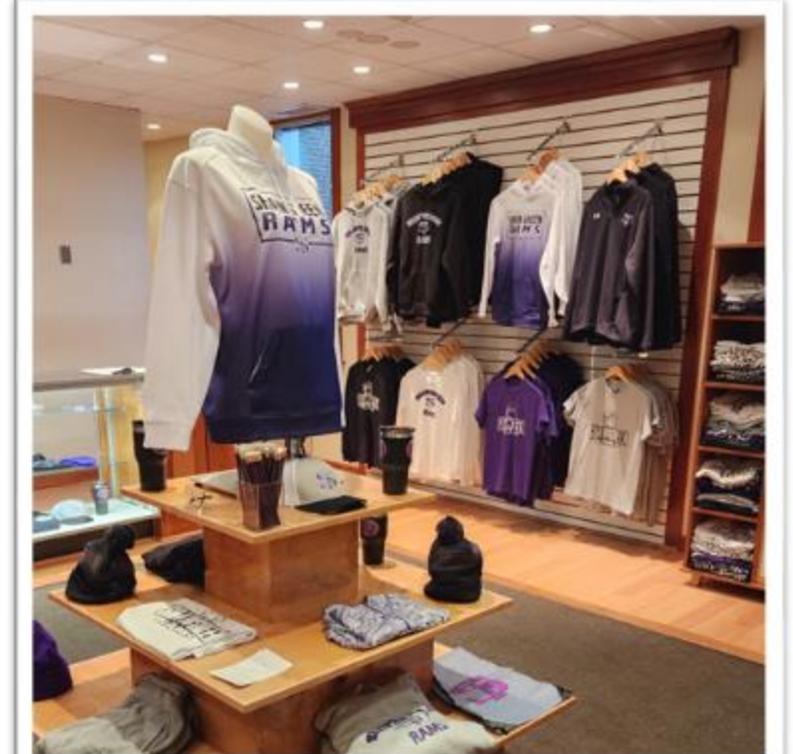
Title IX Coordinator: Jim Carlson, Director of Guidance & Health Services (ext. 1315; jcarlson@shawtech.org)



School Store

- Open tonight 6pm – 8pm!
- Open all school days from 11:00am – 12:30pm.
- Follow us on Instagram & Twitter for updates and latest releases!

@shawtech_store



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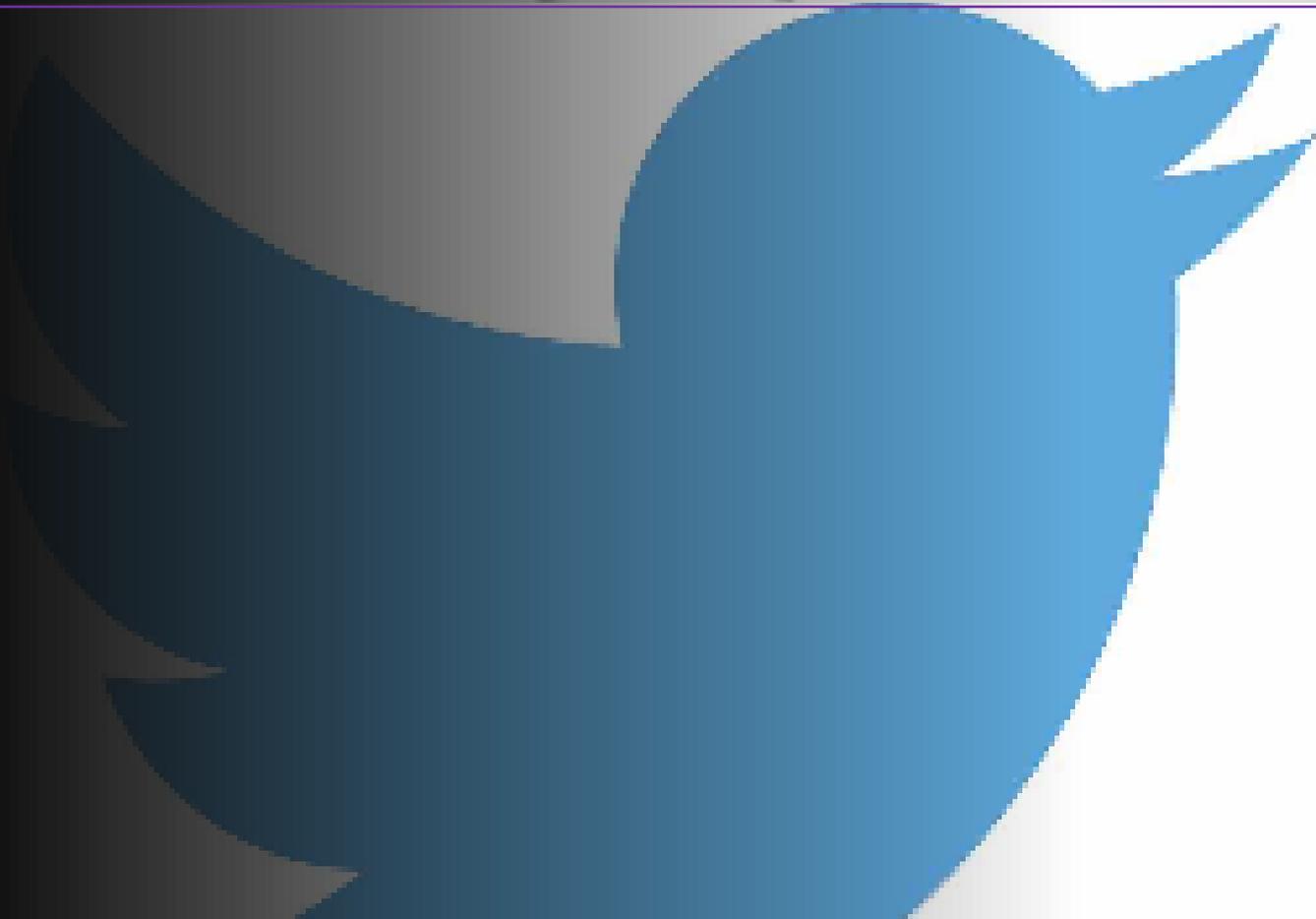
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THANK YOU
FOR
COMING—ANY
QUESTIONS?

