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BUILDING TOWARD THE Future







Across six elementary schools, two middle schools, and two high schools, the district is committed to equipping students with the skills they need to succeed well beyond graduation. Success, however, takes many forms. From the earliest years through senior year, students are intentionally exposed to opportunities that help them discover their interests, strengths, and future possibilities.

This work begins at the elementary level through the Elementary Career Exploration program, which introduces students to a variety of professions and helps them see how classroom learning connects to real-world careers.

"Students are learning about different jobs, and it's both vital and exciting for them to explore the many professions available to them," said Michelle Kelly, Director of Elementary Education. "The discovery aspect works especially well for students."

"The ultimate goal is to develop students into contributing members of society. We want them to experience, learn and dive more deeply into different paths – to lead them to say, 'That's the thing I want to do.'"

– John Towers, Director of Mathematics and Business

Career exploration continues in middle school at Jonas E. Salk and Wisdom Lane, where guidance counselors use Naviance to help students identify interests, strengths, and potential career paths. Through interest inventories and early résumé building, students begin making informed connections between their preferences and future opportunities as they plan for high school.

At the high school level, students benefit from robust elective offerings and expanded post-secondary planning. Post-secondary Fairs and college tour trips give students and families opportunities to explore a wide-range of options after graduation, while electives allow students to pursue specialized interests in greater depth. Programs such as Future Teachers and Introduction to Health Professions provide students early exposure to education and healthcare careers.

"I see students grow in confidence as they begin to see themselves in these roles," said Grace Wheeler, science teacher at Division Avenue High School and adviser to the HOSA-Future Health Professionals club. "These programs help students connect learning to real responsibilities and real purpose."

Together, these initiatives reflect the district's commitment to supporting students as they prepare for diverse postsecondary pathways and a fulfilling life after graduation.

EXPLORING A WORLD OF *POSSIBILITIES*

MILITARY PATHWAYS

We take great pride in supporting and honoring students who choose to pursue military service as a postsecondary pathway. Each year, graduates from our district enter all branches of the United States Armed Forces, enroll in ROTC programs, and earn appointments to prestigious service academies, including the United States Military Academy at West Point.

Military service offers students opportunities for leadership development, advanced technical training, educational benefits, and meaningful service to our nation. Our schools work to ensure that students interested in this pathway receive appropriate guidance, preparation, and recognition for their commitment.

In collaboration with the Levittown–Island Trees Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 9592, we formally recognize graduating seniors who enlist or receive military appointments during a special ceremony, celebrating their dedication, achievement, and willingness to serve.







First graders learn the skills of an electrician as they construct a functioning snap circuit.







At Career Fairs at each elementary school, students hear directly from professionals across various fields.

CAREER EXPLORATION

Our Elementary Career Exploration program is a unique, hands-on experience designed around the 14 national career clusters. Through engaging, age-appropriate activities, students explore a wide range of careers and experience what the life of different professions can look like, expanding awareness of the many post-secondary possibilities available to them.







Students practice the skills of doctors and dentists, while others learned what it takes to fight a fire.



Future geologists take a close look at different rocks and minerals.

POST-SECONDARY FAIRS

Students at Division Avenue and General Douglas MacArthur high schools participate in multiple Post-Secondary Fairs throughout the school year, including two school-day events held at each high school this fall. These fairs provide students with direct access to representatives from colleges and universities, vocational and technical schools, military branches, and workforce organizations.

This spring, the district will also host its first evening Post-Secondary Fair for students and families on March 4 at the Levittown Memorial Education Center, further expanding opportunities for families to engage in these important conversations together.







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EXPLORING SPECIALTIES

Through comprehensive elective offerings at Division Avenue and MacArthur high schools, combined with specialized programs through our regional BOCES partnerships, students gain meaningful exposure to a wide range of career pathways aligned with their interests and strengths.

Student interest in healthcare-related careers is currently supported through the HOSA–Future Health Professionals club at Division Avenue High School, which provides opportunities for students to attend professional symposiums, compete in medical terminology and skills-based events, and engage in community service initiatives such as breast cancer awareness campaigns. Building on the success of the Future Teachers course, which launched at both high schools several years ago, the strong participation and impact of HOSA have helped inform future program planning, including the development of a Future Health Professionals course scheduled to debut during the 2026–2027 school year at both Division Avenue and MacArthur high schools.

Students with specific career interests may also access targeted Career and Technical Education programs through Barry Tech, GC Tech, and the Long Island High School for the Arts. These immersive programs offer hands-on learning and opportunities to earn industry-recognized certifications in fields such as automotive technology, cosmetology, culinary arts, medical assisting, criminal justice and digital arts media, including computer animation and graphic design.

Through these partnerships and programs, students are able to explore potential post-secondary pathways while developing practical skills, professional habits and real-world experience that support a wide range of futures.

Parents are Welcome at SPRING POST-SECONDARY FAIR!

Parents are welcome to join us on March 4 for the first evening Post-Secondary Fair at the Levittown Memorial Education Center from 6:30-8 p.m., where students and families can speak directly with representatives from colleges and universities, vocational and technical schools, military branches, and workforce organizations.

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