# OTTAWA COUNTY SKILLED TRADES ACADEMY

The Ottawa County Skilled Trades Academy (STA) is a comprehensive, credit-based skilled trades program available to **high school seniors**. The STA includes a combination of virtual and hands-on activities from **Northwest State Community College's Core Manufacturing & Logistics Skills (CMLS) Program** curriculum that will prepare students to take the **MSSC Certified Production Technician exams/assessments**.

#### What is MSSC?

The MSSC is a 501c3 non-profit, industry-led training, assessment and certification system focused on the core skills and knowledge needed by the nation's front-line technicians. The Certified Production Technician (CPT) Certification addresses the core technical competencies of higher skilled production technicians in all sectors of manufacturing.







What I like most about the skilled trades academy is the certifications. We do modules and quizlets on Zoom which help us when it's time to take the certification tests. And they don't expire for 5 years so 3 years down the line and college isn't working out, you can go into trades and you already have the certifications done. Plus it will look great for an apprenticeship.

- Adrianna Hummel | Skilled Trades Academy 2021 Graduate

The 2022-23 school year will be the **4th year** of the STA. The purpose of this program is to educate and expose Ottawa County students to the skills and continuing education needed to fill in-demand jobs in Ohio, with an emphasis on Ottawa County.



### **Benefits of the Program**



#### School Credit

Completion of the program will lead to 1 high school credit. Depending on your school, this credit will likely count as an elective (not a core subject).



#### MSSC Certifications

Students who receive even one certification will walk away with a foundational understanding of these technologies and looks great for employers.



#### Additional Trainings

Students will have the opportunity to earn an OSHA 10 Hour Card, get CPR certified and Forklift certified.



#### Job Opportunities

Business visits
onsite and offsite are
held. This allows
students to meet
with local employers
who are hiring which
can lead to
full-time
employment.



## Valuable

Learn valuable skills that will help you find success in skilled trades professions, such as safety, quality practices, manufacturing processes & maintenance awareness.

The program includes a wide range of local businesses who will meet with and lead hands-on activities with students. Offsite tours with these employers are also made available to students (requirements/guidelines to be followed by students)

These businesses fall under the following industry sectors:

- HVAC/Plumbing
- Electrical
- Construction
- Carpentry
- Welding/Fabrication
- Mechanical
- Maintenance



We hope you'll take advantage of this opportunity and consider participating in the 2022-23 program year of the Skilled Trades Academy!

Please speak with your school counselor or career readiness coordinator **BEFORE** applying.

