

ORANGE HIGH SCHOOL (OHS) CAREER & TECHNICAL EDUCATION (CTE)

Program Spotlight: Culinary Arts

Orange High School's Culinary Arts Program is cooking up bright futures for students passionate about the culinary world. The program is designed to equip students with essential skills that prepare them for careers in the food service industry or further education in culinary arts.

Students enrolled in the program take the following courses: Diet, Nutrition, and Basic Foods, Food Service Preparation, and Culinary Arts. Through a Dual Enrollment partnership with Hudson County Community College, students have the opportunity to earn college credits. Students also benefit from guest chef demonstrations, who share techniques, recipes, and career insights. One of the standout features of the Culinary Arts Program is the opportunity to earn the ServSafe Food Service Manager Certification.



Culinary Arts to HCCC

Orange High School's Culinary Arts students recently had an exciting and educational visit to Hudson County Community College (HCCC), where they explored the college's state-of-the-art Culinary Arts Institute and got a firsthand look at what a future in the culinary field can offer.

The visit, part of Orange High School's commitment to college and career readiness, gave students an opportunity to experience a professional culinary learning environment. HCCC's Culinary Arts Institute, located in Jersey City, is one of the most highly regarded culinary training centers in the region, offering cutting-edge kitchens, demonstration labs, and award-winning instructors.

During the tour, students participated in a guided walkthrough of the facilities, met with faculty and admissions staff, and learned about the wide range of programs available—including associate degrees and certifications in Culinary Arts, Baking and Pastry, and Hospitality Management. A Taste of the Future.

Occupational Outlook and Careers in Cosmetology

The Culinary Arts industry is sizzling with opportunity—especially in the Tri-State Area, where the demand for skilled culinary professionals continues to grow. As one of the nation's culinary capitals, the region offers a wide range of career paths and a vibrant job market for aspiring chefs, food service workers, and hospitality professionals.

According to regional labor data, the food service and hospitality industry in New York, New Jersey, and Connecticut is projected to see continued growth over the next decade. With the resurgence of restaurants, catering services, and tourism, employers are actively seeking trained culinary workers.

- Line Cook
- Pastry Chef
- Sous Chef
- Executive Chef
- Caterer

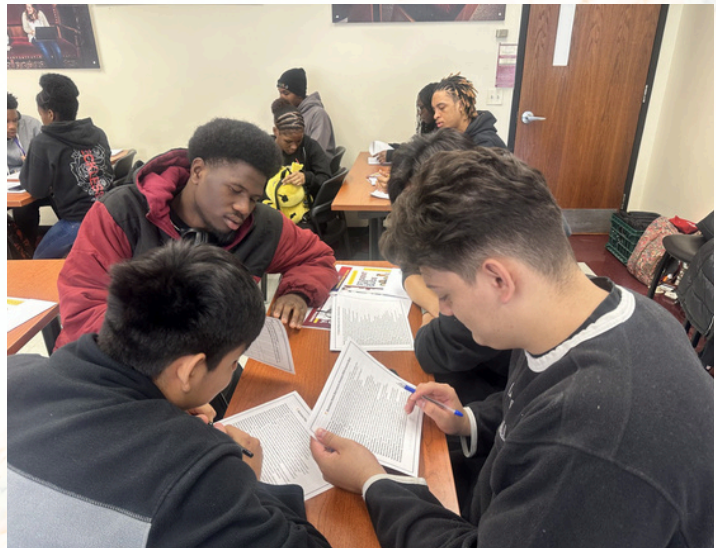
For more information about careers in Culinary Arts please visit <https://www.bls.gov/ooh/food-preparation-and-serving/chefs-and-head-cooks.htm>



Filmmaking Florham Park Campus Tour - FDU

Orange High School's talented Filmmaking students recently took their creativity on the road with an inspiring and educational visit to Fairleigh Dickinson University's Florham Park Campus. The trip offered a behind-the-scenes look at one of New Jersey's premier film and media programs, providing students with valuable insight into the world of professional filmmaking and college-level media studies.

During the visit, students toured the university's state-of-the-art media labs, editing suites, and production studios, where they observed firsthand how film projects are developed from concept to screen. Faculty and current students from FDU's School of the Arts welcomed the group, leading workshops and discussions on scriptwriting, cinematography, directing, and digital editing.



Entrepreneurship's Metro Campus Tour - FDU

Orange High School's Entrepreneurship students recently took a major step toward their future careers with an exciting visit to Fairleigh Dickinson University's Metropolitan Campus. The trip offered students a unique opportunity to experience college life and gain valuable insights into the world of business, innovation, and entrepreneurship.

Hosted by FDU's Silberman College of Business, the visit included an engaging campus tour, interactive sessions with faculty, and a look into the university's business programs and entrepreneurial resources. Students explored topics such as business planning, marketing strategies, financial literacy, and the importance of innovation in a competitive global economy.

Throughout the visit, students participated in workshops and discussions that encouraged them to think critically and creatively about their own business ideas. They learned about real-world applications of entrepreneurship, including launching startups, managing small businesses, and navigating today's digital marketplace.

Digital Media Students create films at Montclair Film

Students from Ms. Tabman's Intro to Digital Media and Exploring Media and Film classes participated in a filmmaking workshop at Montclair Film (505 Bloomfield Ave, Montclair, NJ). There, they built on their classroom skills by conceiving, filming, and editing two short films in just two and a half hours.

Students used professional digital cameras and had the exciting opportunity to watch their finished projects—a thriller titled "Rush Hour" and a horror film called "Trapped"—on a theater-sized screen.

Special thanks to Sue Hollenberg and the mentors and staff at Montclair Film for making this experience possible.



Graphic Arts Visits the Whitney Museum

Students from Ms. Martin's Graphic Arts Program had an inspiring and unforgettable visit to the Whitney Museum! One of the highlights of the trip was exploring the powerful and visually stunning exhibition of paintings by renowned artist Amy Sherald.

Our students were captivated by Sherald's unique portrait style and use of color, and they especially marveled at her iconic portrait of former First Lady Michelle Obama. We couldn't miss the opportunity to snap a photo of the group standing proudly beside this extraordinary piece!

Moments like these remind us how art can move and inspire — and how important it is to give young artists the opportunity to experience it up close.

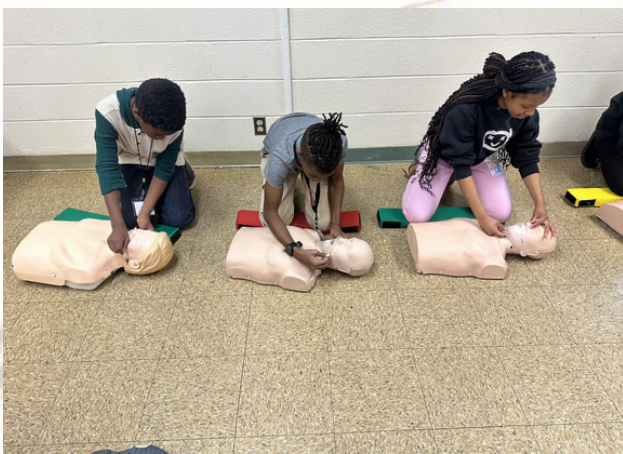
CTE Middle School Exploration Program Inspires Future Career Planning

On three consecutive Saturdays, March 29, April 5, and April 12, 2025, 7th and 8th grade students from across the district engaged in our hands-on CTE Middle School Exploration Program. Held in partnership with our high school Career and Technical Education (CTE) program teachers and student leaders, the program gave middle schoolers the opportunity to explore real-world skills and discover career pathways in Cosmetology, Culinary Arts, Entrepreneurship, Filmmaking, Graphic Arts, Health Science, and Navy JROTC.

Each Saturday offered a unique blend of creativity, critical thinking, and career-focused learning: Cosmetology students explored career opportunities in the beauty industry and participated in a fun, hands-on Color Wheel activity using food dye and vanilla wafers. Culinary Arts students dove into kitchen safety and food handling best practices as they prepared delicious French toast and pancakes under the guidance of CTE culinary instructors. Entrepreneurship participants began shaping their business minds by crafting their own Elevator Pitches and brainstorming innovative business ideas. Filmmaking and Graphic Arts students were introduced to digital media careers, capturing footage on their phones and learning to edit using Adobe Premiere Pro basics. Health Science students explored careers in the medical field and engaged in CPR demonstrations. ROTC cadets led interactive sessions with students, promoting leadership, discipline, and teamwork.

The CTE Middle School Exploration Program provided a valuable platform for students to connect classroom learning with future goals, inspiring them to think critically about high school CTE programs and the many career opportunities available to them. The program was not only educational but also empowering—sparking interest, building confidence, and preparing students to make informed decisions about their academic and professional futures.

We look forward to growing this initiative and continuing to open doors for our students through immersive CTE experiences.



Parents Join the CTE Middle School Exploration Program

On Saturday, April 5, 2025, parents of 7th and 8th grade students had the unique opportunity to step inside the world of Career and Technical Education during the CTE Middle School Exploration Program.

Parents received guided tours of several dynamic CTE classrooms, including Cosmetology, Culinary Arts, Filmmaking, Graphic Arts, and ROTC. During each stop, they observed students actively involved in skill-building activities.

The experience not only showcased the range and depth of CTE offerings, but also gave parents insight into how these programs prepare students for real-world careers and build essential 21st-century skills.

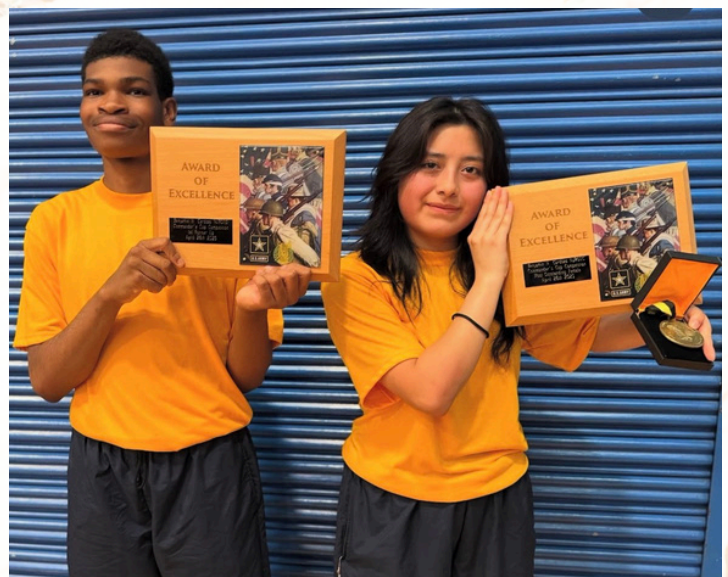


Congratulations to Orange High School's ROTC!

Orange High School proudly congratulates our ROTC program for their outstanding performance at the Commander's Cup Competition held at Benjamin N. Cardozo High School!

Our talented cadets brought home an impressive 7 trophies and 2 personal awards, showcasing their discipline, leadership, and teamwork. Competing against top ROTC programs from across the region, our cadets demonstrated excellence in drill, physical fitness, and overall military bearing.

These victories reflect the hard work and dedication of our students and their instructors, and we commend them for representing Orange High School with pride and professionalism. Well done, ROTC! Your commitment and success continue to make our school community proud!



CTE Student of the Month - February 2025

Cisco



A. Karl shows His dedication, motivation, and support for his fellow classmates. He truly stands out.

Entrepreneurship



Trumela is polite and considerate to both peers and teachers,

Health Science



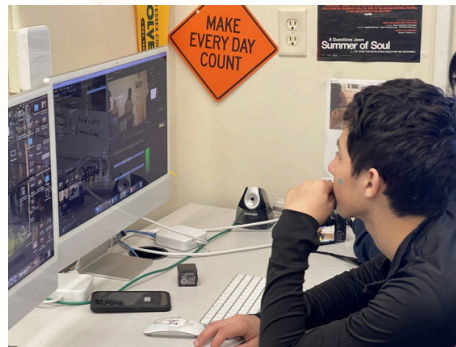
F. Barrera is a stellar scholar always intune with the class, and exceeding expectations

Cosmetology



A. Hamlett, is a very hard worker and extremely helpful. She is very dedicated to learning.

Filmmaking



I. Segastume demonstrates outstanding leadership in Digital Media.

Naval JROTC



N. Encalada demonstrates the core values of ROTC: HONOR, COURAGE, and COMMITMENT

Culinary Arts



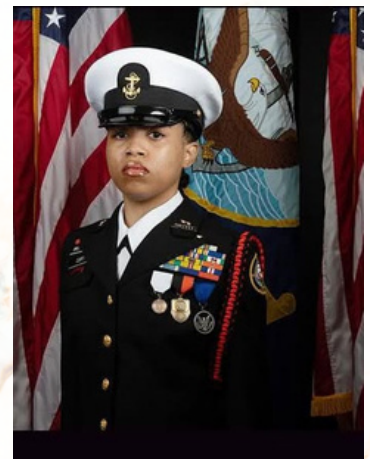
B. Martinez is a junior, polite, and respectful. He arrives on time, completes all assignments on time.

Graphic Arts



K. Dominguez is a hardworking and dedicated in Graphic Arts

Week-Based Learning & Community Service



S. Cort demonstrated enthusiasm and a strong work ethic during the Cooperman Barnabas Job Shadowing Program