



The Six District Educational Compact Overview

Now in its 47th year, the Six District Educational Compact works collaboratively to share services among the Cuyahoga Falls, Hudson, Kent, Stow-Munroe Falls, Tallmadge and Woodridge school districts. Approximately 25,000 students, as well as teachers, staff and administrators, benefit from these significant cost savings. The Compact was first of its kind in Ohio. Its original mission—to provide programs and services with no added millage to taxpayers—is still true today.

In the Six District Educational Compact, students can choose from 26 College Tech Prep Initiatives—all rigorous, relevant and project-based—designed to prepare them for college and careers. Students may earn college credit for each one of the College Tech Prep Initiatives and obtain the technical, real-work skills necessary for post-secondary education opportunities, employment or the military. College Tech Prep students take advantage of worksite visits, trips to area colleges and universities and presentations from experts in business and industry, as well as job shadowing, mentoring and internships. A number of College Tech Prep Initiatives are STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) related. Completers who meet a number of requirements are issued Career Passports, which contain important information documenting a student's success to use for college and job interviews.

College Tech Prep Initiatives and Career Programs

College Tech Prep Initiatives

- Aeronautics Careers Academy – Stow-Munroe Falls High School · STEM
- Athletic Health Care and Fitness – Roosevelt High School · STEM
- Automotive Specialization – Hudson High School
- Automotive Technologies – Cuyahoga Falls and Hudson high schools
- Biomedical Science and Technology Academy – Woodridge High School · STEM
- Business and Sports Management – Roosevelt High School
- Business/Marketing/Pathway – Tallmadge High School
- Business Pathways: Skills for Success – Cuyahoga Falls High School
- Collision Repair and Automotive Refinishing –Woodridge High School
- Computer Aided Design and Engineering Technologies (CADET) –Roosevelt High School · STEM
- Construction Technologies – Roosevelt High School
- Cosmetology – Cuyahoga Falls and Roosevelt high schools
- Culinary Arts – Stow-Munroe Falls High School

- Cyber Investigations Academy – Cuyahoga Falls High School
- Early Childhood Professions – Tallmadge High School
- Electronics, Robotics and Programming – Roosevelt High School · STEM
- Engineering Academy – Roosevelt/Stow-Munroe Falls high schools · STEM
- Forestry and Landscape Management – Roosevelt High School · STEM
- Health Careers Technologies – Roosevelt High School · STEM
- Interactive Marketing/Design – Cuyahoga Falls High School
- International Business Academy – Stow-Munroe Falls High School
- IT Academy with CompTIA and Cisco – Cuyahoga Falls High School · STEM
- Marketing Management – Roosevelt and Tallmadge high schools
- Programming and Software Development – Stow-Munroe Falls High School · STEM
- Teaching Professions – Roosevelt High School
- Theater Arts Career Academy – Tallmadge High School

Career Programs

- Career Based Intervention – Cuyahoga Falls, Stow-Munroe Falls and Woodridge high schools
- Job Training Coordination – Cuyahoga Falls, Hudson, Kent, Stow-Munroe Falls, Tallmadge and Woodridge high schools
- Family and Consumer Sciences – Cuyahoga Falls, Hudson, Kent, Stow-Munroe Falls, Tallmadge and Woodridge high schools

Middle School Initiatives

- Cuyahoga Falls – Family and Consumer Sciences
- Kent – Engineering and Science Technologies
- Tallmadge – Engineering and Science Technologies
- Woodridge – Business and Administrative Services

In addition, the Six District Educational Compact provides services to students with disabilities enrolled in College Tech Prep Initiatives. These include a career assessment center, Career Technical/Special Education services and Job Training Services, a transitional work-study program that helps place students with disabilities into competitive employment. A number of linkages with higher education and ties to community agencies are in place.

In 2016, the Compact was awarded an Ohio Department of Education Office for Exceptional Children grant, totaling more than \$225,000. Called “COMPACT COMPASS: THE FOUR E’S INITIATIVE,” the project focuses on career development opportunities and secondary transition services for students with disabilities in the six

school districts. The funding will allow the Compact to make a sustainable difference in the career development opportunities, as well as in secondary transition services, available to students with disabilities beginning in middle school.

The Compact also coordinates summer school courses and offers preparation and testing for students who did not pass the Ohio Graduation Tests. A program called Student Learner Success Initiative offers tutoring for College Tech Prep students.

An effective program for substance abuse prevention and intervention called C.A.R.E. is coordinated by the Compact and culminates each year with a dinner and awards ceremony honoring district volunteers and a community agency. Other initiatives include Saturday Family Workshop offered through C.A.R.E., which offers a judicial alternative to first-offenders.

Other premier programs for middle schoolers include the Reading and Writing Festival, the Diane Burbick Math and Science Conference and Engineering Camp for Girls. The Aeronautics Careers Academy (ACE) is offered during the summer for high school students.

Professional Development workshops for Compact workforce development and support staff are offered each year.

In 1997, the Compact joined with Summa Health to form the award-winning Summa Compact Partnership, providing innovative, collaborative and non-traditional learning opportunities for students, counselors, teachers, parents and administrators from the six districts. Partnership highlights include the annual Diane Burbick Math and Science Conference for Middle School Girls. Project SEARCH, a program designed to offer special needs students work experience in various hospital settings, is headquartered at Summa Health.

"The Six District Educational Compact focuses on collaboration, innovation and cooperation. This is the epitome of benefitting from shared services," says Compact Executive Director Mary Jane Stanchina. "Each year, we strive to provide programs and services which will make a positive difference in the lives of students and staff members in the six districts we serve."