



**CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION INFORMATION SYSTEM  
PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION  
SECONDARY PROGRAM PROFILE  
FOR SCHOOL YEAR 2013-2014**

**DATE : 8/1/2013**

**School Number School Name, Address and Phone**

6193 Greater Altoona CTC, 1500 4th Avenue Altoona, PA 16602-3616 Phone: (814) 946-8450

CIP Code	Status	Date Submitted
10.0399 Graphic Communications, Other	Re-Approved	6/29/2010
CIP Cluster	Program Type	Date Approved
Arts, A/V Technology & Communications	Program of Study	8/26/2010
Program Area	Registered Apprenticeship	Start School Year
Trade & Industrial Education	No	2010-2011

**Program Information:**

**High Priority Occupations / Labor Market Data / Occupational Advisory Committee**

CIP #10.0399 Graphic Communications. Students in this program have the opportunity to be involved in the Arts, A/V Technology & Communications Industry Cluster. The unemployment rate is 7.9% in Blair County; however, there is still a much-needed demand for printing machine operators. The median regional wages in the Southern Alleghenies WIB are \$37,248 annually. The projected growth is average. This program will provide at least two letters of support from local employers who agree that the program prepares graduates to be qualified employees and the program meets their needs, as well as the needs of the community. The 10-member Occupational Advisory Committee, which last met on March 12, 2013, approved the pursuit of Program of Study approval for CIP #10.0399. Members include: Matt Seidel, Press Operator, Advanced Color Graphics; Paul Edwards, Technology Specialist, Appalachia IU08; Sally Masci, Owner/Operator, Colorscan; Charlene Dodson, CEO, News Printing; Bill Dwyer, Production Supervisor, North American Communications; Mike Cree, Managing Partner, Pressbox Printing; Dave Hogan, Managing Partner, Pressbox Printing; Scott Lovell, Owner/Operator, Dunmire Printing; Mark Moschella, President, Ravine Screen Printing; Kirk Lathero, GACTC Instructor.

**Occupational Analysis Data / Student Technical Competencies:**

This program offers the curriculum framework as prescribed by the program of study for the CIP code of 10.0399.

**Accountability Targets:**

CIP #10.0399 Graphic Communications – 2011-12 AYP Targets met: 1S1 Yes 1S2 Yes 2S1 Yes 3S1 Yes 4S1 Yes 5S1 No 6S1 Yes 6S2 Yes

**Equipment and Technology:**

I-Mac computers with various prepress software; plate-making equipment; offset press equipment; digital press equipment; binding & finishing equipment.

**Number of Prospective Students:**

7

**Support Services:**



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Special Education students who have applied to the GACTC are selected on the same criteria as those within the Regular Education realm which is based upon good grades, acceptable attendance, and appropriate behavior. For students with special needs, the support coordinators are able to scrutinize IEPs so that appropriate program selection accentuates student strengths and career interest avenues. The support coordinators support both teachers and students throughout the school year to ensure that specially-designed instruction modifications are being used in the regular education setting to facilitate student success within their vocational education experience.

**Career & Technical Student Organizations:**

Students in the Digital Printing Technology program are affiliated with SkillsUSA CTSO and have an active Chapter.

**Advisory Committees**

**Local Advisory Committee:** The Greater Altoona Career & Technology Center complies with all mandates of the state, federal, and accreditation bodies to maintain a Local Advisory Committee composed of representatives of education, industry, business, joint apprenticeship councils, labor, and management. The purpose of the committee, which has been in existence for nearly four decades, is to advise the school board and the administration concerning the general philosophy, objectives, and program needs of the school. The Local Advisory Committee of the Greater Altoona Career & Technology Center meets twice yearly.

**Professional Advisory Committee:** The Professional Advisory Committee, consisting of the Superintendent of Record along with superintendents of the other seven member school districts, meet on a monthly basis to work with the Executive Director on educational matters concerning the center. The committee plays an integral part in the development of the Center's Strategic Plan. All Superintendents of the participating school districts serve on this committee. The Committee is authorized to form its own structure and schedule for meetings and to prepare whatever reports on recommendations it deems necessary for review by the Joint Operating Committee. The Chief School Administrator and the Executive Director serve as ex-officio members of all committees established by the Joint Operating Committee.

**Joint Operating Committee:** The JOC, a 20-member body comprised of representatives from each of the eight sponsoring school districts, meets the fourth Monday of each month. For an institution governed by a Joint Operating Committee, the most obvious stakeholders are the eight sponsoring school districts. It is imperative that the director and school administration work in harmony with the Joint Operating Committee representing the eight school districts that make up the aggregated board. This institution is the only focal point where these eight school districts come to work together in the best interest of a substantial representation of their student population.

**Sponsor Information:**

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**Student Industry Certifications:**

Industry Certification	Certification Provider
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**Teacher Industry Certifications:**

Industry Certification	Certification Provider
PrintED Approved Instructor	PrintED