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On behalf of the Board of Education and the staff of Passaic County Technical Institute, we are pleased to present the annual report for school year 2018-2019 with the theme PCT&I!

As we mark another successful year, we reflect on the theme of PCT&I, which emphasized the notions of community service, philanthropy and the importance of each member of the Bulldog family’s contributions as we make our school community the best it can be. Keeping our yearly theme in mind, we encouraged our students, staff and faculty to continue enhancing our campus via integrity, outreach and volunteerism in order to offer the most robust high school experience.

Thus, this year saw our students achieve tremendous success in all aspects of campus life. Our core educational tenets of collaboration, innovation and forward-thinking determination aligned with our overarching theme of service and pride. With such a storied past, we are eager to continue our history of excellence for a future full of academic accomplishment, athletic success and personal growth for our students.

I invite you to view the pages of the 2018-2019 Annual Report and learn how PCTI continues to thrive – thanks to the dedication and service of our committed Bulldog family.
“We have no hope of solving our problems without harnessing the diversity, the energy, and the creativity of all our people.”

– Roger Wilkins
Passaic County Technical Institute is an award-winning high school open to all students of Passaic County. PCTI provides students with a unique combination of challenging academic courses and college-prep curricula to offer invaluable career and technical education.

PCTI is home to a wide array of facilities, thus solidifying its role as the largest and most expansive high school of its kind in New Jersey. With over 200 technologically advanced academic classrooms, PCTI also boasts science laboratories equipped with proper instrumentation to aid students’ research. The campus houses two media centers, giving students plenty of room to focus on their studies.

Our curriculum is a dynamic collection of disciplines, offering students a comprehensive education in their chosen field of study. Keeping in mind the ever-changing needs of the global marketplace, PCTI’s educational structure incorporates the input of professionals and business advisors to design innovative teaching techniques. As such, coursework reflects the requirements of major corporations, entrepreneurial enterprises, an array of trade schools, and professions.

With an education rooted in technology, students utilize the wealth of professional tools, computers, and software that PCTI has to offer. Thus, PCTI graduates enjoy the advantage of gaining both employment and entry into universities and trade schools. As demonstrated in the past, our students are always in high demand due to their degree of advanced proficiency.

**Beyond the Traditional High School**

Passaic County Technical Institute is far from the traditional high school. PCTI houses the New York Times reviewed restaurant, Chez Technique, a culinary classroom at the forefront of career training. The main lobby boasts a fully functioning bank, run with the help of students of the Academy of Finance. On the second floor is a comprehensive salon operated by skilled and highly trained student beauticians. The Automotive Technology facility is outfitted with multiple bay doors and the most up-to-date technology in the field. The Rocco Building features a weight room complete with the latest in physical training equipment; the Athletic Center also features a weight room, elevated running track, basketball court, and an indoor competition-size swimming pool. The campus’ three athletic fields are covered with the highest quality of professional-grade artificial turf.
Something for Everyone

With an array of clubs and organizations as well as a robust, award-winning athletic program, students have many opportunities to get involved on campus. From assisting with the annual school musical, helping with home-grown charity events, and competing in local, state, and national academic and career competitions, students have myriad options to attain a well-rounded social experience. In the past, PCTI students have been recognized by former presidents, community and business leaders, and international charity officials for their efforts in making a difference in the world.

The Saturday Academy

The Saturday Academy is a unique and popular program that introduces 7th and 8th grade students to PCTI’s exciting world of high school. Students spend three to six Saturday mornings having fun in a unique and educational environment. Classes run from 9am to noon and are open to 7th and 8th grade students residing in Passaic County. A minor fee is required.

Unique Programs

PCTI offers diverse career programs which include four advanced academies and 9 specialized schools. This opens doors to the worlds of finance, health, computers, performing arts, criminal justice, culinary arts, cosmetology, automotive, and construction technologies as well as business, engineering, graphic arts, and education.

ACADEMIES

- Academy of Criminal Justice
- Academy of Finance
- Academy of Health & Medical Sciences
- Academy of Information Technology

SCHOOLS

- School of Applied Engineering
- School of Automotive Technology
- School of Business Careers
- School of Communication Arts
- School of Construction Technology
- School of Cosmetology
- School of Culinary Arts
- School of Education & Human Services
- School of Performing Arts

STEM

- Biomedical and Life Science
- Computer Science
- Engineering
BUSINESS PARTNER OF THE YEAR FOR 2018-2019
The Market Basket, Inc.

PCTI has longstanding roots within the business community. For more than a century, companies have partnered with our school to train capable and knowledgeable young professionals.

PCTI and The Market Basket, Inc. have been partners for several years. Via cooperative education and job shadowing initiatives which allow students to learn about their chosen program of study, the fruitful partnership offers various opportunities to students in the School of Culinary Arts, School of Business Careers and Academy of Finance.

Additionally, the Market Basket, Inc. has joined the ranks of PCTI’s Advisory Committee and has provided generous scholarships to deserving graduates of the School of Culinary Arts.

School to Careers Statistical Date Report 2018-2019

- Shadowing: 2,669
- Internships: 18
- STC Students: 190
- Apprenticeship Candidates: 20
- Employers: 105
- Total Money Earned: $803,235.52
BUSINESS PARTNERS

A & C Plumbing-Heating, Inc
Able Electrical, Inc.
Act Pest Control Corp.
Advance Med. & Skin Care, LLC
Alan J. Mariconda Esq.
All Star Transmissions
All State Mechanical Inc.
American Air Systems
Bangz Salon
Bergen Metal
Boro Sawmill
Boys & Girls Club of Paterson & Passaic
Brandon Broderick, Esq.
Breure HVAC
Brewster Washer
Brookdale Dental Group
Castana’s Salon
Chem-Flowtronics
Chemisys Laboratory
Christina by Design
Coli Electric Contractors
Colonial Pharmacy
Columbia Bank-(OS-Branch)
Cool Serve LLC.
CVS Health
CVS Pharmacy
De Pasquale The Spa
Dewberry
Doctors Subacute Care
Dollar General
Dr. Fuford
Dr. Srisethnil
Dr. William Onwuka
Eddie Rivera, CPA Firm
Edible Arrangements
EIC International Services, LLC
Fairfield Laundry Machinery
First Jersey Credit Union
G & S Financial, LLC
Great White Mechanical, LLC
Greenwood Collision Ctr.
Hair & Makeup Lounge
Harmon Face Values
Health on Main Wellness Center
Heribertp Rivera, CPA
Iggy’s Auto Service
J&CO Hair Studio
JC Penny-Wayne
Jenn’s Junction LLC.
Jim Vollaro Landscaping Inc.
Joe Max Telecom
Joseph Baratta MD
Kiddie Clinic Ped/Med Asst.
Lakeview Rehabilitation Care
Lincoln 1st Bank
Little Falls Trophy
Lombardi Electric
Madalian Chiropractic & PT
Manhattan Signs
Massood & Company, PA, CPA
Metal Components
Michael Bohrer American Air Systems
Morgan Advanced Materials
MRA
Noor Optical
Oasis
Panera Bread-Bergen Mall
Panera Bread-Willowbrook Mall
Passaic County Freeholders Office
Paterson International Preschool
Paul Miller Audi
Pauls Volvo
Payless Shoes Source
Perfect Pawn /Computer Tech
Peter N. Davis & Assoc., LLC
Physical Therapy of Clifton
Precise Machine Inc.
PRNY, PC
PS2 Athletic Facility
Psychometric Services
Pure Energy Hair Studio
Quik Time Performance
Rays Auto Repair
Salon M
Sax, LLP
Serafini Esq.
Smile Central Dental
St. Gobain
Staff Management Group
Staples, Inc.
Stavitsky and Associates LLC
Studio D&G LLC
Studio G Hair Design
Supply One New York Ink
The Boys & Girls Club-Paterson
The Gallery A Salon
The Market Basket
Trotta Health Services Inc.
Uniqu Photo
United Federated Systems
Vespi Law Firm
V’Va Salon
Wayne Car Wash
Wayne Pediatric Dental Care
Technology is a Priority

There are two fundamental equalizers in life today: education and technology. At PCTI, we’re dedicated to eliminating the barriers of time, distance, and socioeconomic status. The very nature of our high schools requires that we teach with the latest technology and use that same technology in the operation of our high school.

Each classroom is outfitted with a wealth of technology that is typically found in universities and corporate environments. This seamless integration in a high school setting provides students with the opportunity to become architects of their education. They have access to the latest computers, high speed WiFi, and educational software. As part of the school’s One-to-One initiative, all students have received Chromebooks to expand their learning.

Additionally, science labs are furnished with professional research instrumentation and our career training centers feature advanced equipment to mirror medical offices to automotive centers, financial institutions, corporate offices, and more. PCTI even has its very own digital video and television studios which are outfitted with the same professional editing software used by Hollywood and New York filmmakers.

PCTI operates on a “converged network,” a system that is illustrated through our commitment to delivering communication and data service. Our investment in state-of-the-art video surveillance and access control technologies ensures a safe environment for all staff and students.

“Each classroom is outfitted with a wealth of technology that is typically found in universities and corporate environments.”
Donna Davis has served as a Professional Healthcare Instructor at PCTI since 2002. Her longtime goal has been to open the minds of her students by exhibiting excellence in teaching and providing care to others, both in and outside of the classroom. With twenty-one years in education, thirteen years of Long-Term Care Experience, ten years of Acute Care experience, eight years in Nurse Management, and two years as a clinical Head Nurse, Donna Davis brings highly valuable experience to her students.

Additionally, Donna is a Registered Nurse who has received an array of certifications, including BLS/First Aid/AED Instructor, CNA/CHHA Instructor, CNA Evaluator, Chemo Therapy Infusion, as well as American Heart Association Certified CPR/First Aide/Emergency Care Trainer. Donna also attended Essex County College, Union County College, and the Edna McConnell Clark School of Nursing/Manhattan College. She is currently pursuing an education with South University. Outside of her time spent teaching at PCTI, Donna volunteers by conducting CPR and First Aid training for faith-based organizations and security teams, speaking for healthcare forums, as well as donating her time as a Hospice Attendant to families in need.

Jennifer Limekiller is a New Jersey Certified School Psychologist who has been a member of the PCTI family since 1996. In her role, Jennifer counsels and provides guidance, crisis management, and assessments to her students. Her greatest strengths are building a strong rapport and collaborating with students, as well as utilizing empathy and aptitude, to work in their best interests. “If you give kids a little bit of your time outside the classroom, they will give you the world inside the classroom,” she says. Jennifer treats all the students she interacts with as her very own and goes out of her way to attend sporting events, performances, and awards ceremonies to demonstrate her support.

She received her Bachelor of Arts in Psychology from Ramapo College, as well as a Professional Diploma and a Master’s Degree in Educational Psychology from Kean College of New Jersey. Jennifer earned numerous honors from the National Association of School Psychologists, the NJ Association of School Psychology, the NJ Education Association, and many more.

Congratulations to Donna Davis and Jennifer Limekiller for their accomplishments as Educators of the Year!
The 2018-2019 school year experienced tremendous growth with the addition of the Diana C. Lobosco STEM Academy. Joining the award-winning Passaic County Technical Institute on the Wayne campus, the state-of-the-art STEM Academy offers students an integrated education in vital STEM career paths of Biomedical and Life Science, and Computer Science, and Engineering.

The Diana C. Lobosco STEM Academy’s inaugural freshman class boasted 300 students who will enjoy a comprehensive educational experience in the technologically advanced facility, which includes fifteen science, engineering and computer science laboratories, a lecture hall, open learning areas, a gymnasium, dining hall, and more. In four years, the STEM Academy will accommodate 1,200 students.

In the Engineering pathway, students will survey several areas of engineering including Architecture, Civil, Electrical, Environmental, Mechanical, and Operations Research Engineering. Students will work in problem and project-based learning challenges, learn the Engineering Design Process and Systems Approach, and collaborate to solving real world problems.

Computer science students will establish a solid foundation in computer science and research within the areas of Database Design, Software Engineering, Cyber Security, Mobile App Development, Virtual Reality, Augmented Reality, and Gamification. Students will learn to code with a variety of programming languages, explore emerging trends in the industry, and examine how it plays a vital role in all aspects of STEM.

Utilizing the scientific method and research methodology in project and problem-based inquiry, biomedical and life science students will explore the latest research driving innovation in these evolving fields of Biomechanics, Biotechnology, Genetic Engineering, Lab and Research Science, Neuroscience, Pathology and Medicine. By establishing a strong scientific foundation as they pursue collaborative teamwork and independent research, students receive extensive opportunities in a dynamic learning environment.
Engineering

Biomedical / Life Sciences

Computer Science
Supporting All Students

PCTI is dedicated to serving the needs of all students throughout Passaic County. Twenty percent of openings for incoming students are reserved for classified applicants. These students are eligible for special education services with Individual Educational Plans (I.E.P.).

Case Management
The needs of classified students are overseen by the Child Study Team Department. PCTI has four teams, each of which includes a psychologist, social worker, and a learning disability consultant. Case managers ensure that students receive an education in a vocational program that meets their unique needs. Academic options are considered on an individual basis.

Educational Programs
Classified students at PCTI are afforded a variety of academic options:

General Education Courses – Modifications are provided and stipulated in the student’s I.E.P.

In Class Support General Education Courses – Classes have both a general education content area teacher as well as a certified teacher for students with disabilities.

Resource Center Courses – Replacement classes are offered to those in need of slightly modified curricula and smaller classes with the employment of diverse modalities.

Learning Disabled Courses – Classes for struggling learners who require highly modified curricula and slower pacing.

Special Needs Courses – Offer individualized instruction for students with severe learning disabilities and/or cognitive impairment.

Self-Contained Deaf Courses – Classes taught in all academic areas by teachers of the Deaf, utilizing American Sign Language as the basis for communication.

CTE Programs
Classified students are accepted into all programs offered at PCTI for which they are qualified. In addition to the full range of general education vocational areas, there are four CTE programs from which classified students may choose: Allied Health, Building Maintenance, Clerical Skills, and Kitchen Personnel.

Related Services – Additionally, PCTI employs two full-time speech and language therapists, a crisis counselor, and a transition coordinator. These individuals support students and assist them in achieving their current and future goals.
NJROTC: A Code of Character

PCTI proudly trains the leaders of tomorrow with the Naval Junior Reserve Officer's Training Corps (NJROTC), a program that emphasizes citizenship and leadership development, maritime heritage, sea power significance, and more. NJROTC Students learn to cultivate respect for themselves and others, becoming model citizens of America.

Choosing to participate in the NJROTC program is a powerful educational tool. Cadets engage in service projects that focus on helping those in need and represent the school district at various state, county, and municipal events. The Drill Team competes throughout the tristate area, bringing home numerous awards as a demonstration of their hard work and diligence.

NJROTC students develop pride in themselves, their friends, and their country. They give back to the community and form relationships with generations of veterans, allowing them to learn the enriching history of our great nation.

School Based Youth Services Program: The Teen Center

The Teen Center is designed as a comfortable and fun environment that enables youths to complete and pursue education, learn marketable skills, and develop healthy lifestyles.

This program falls under the New Jersey Community Development Corporation (NJCDC)—a Paterson-based, private and nonprofit community-developed social services agency whose mission is to create opportunities that will transform lives. Participation in the Teen Center is voluntary and a parental consent form is required prior to accessing its services.
Heart of the Community

Even when the school day concludes, our campus is still abuzz with the activities of forty-two clubs and athletic programs. Passaic County Technical Institute operates on a twenty-four seven basis and hosts numerous events and organizations that are part of the greater community.

Education Foundation

The Education Foundation is a non-profit organization created exclusively for educational purposes that services the interests and needs of our high school students. President Al Alexander, Vice President Peter Spina, and Commissioner Michael Coscia have cultivated an organization which fosters supportive relations within the community and the private sector.

Center for Family Resources: Head Start

The Wayne campus hosts the area Head Start program, an enriching pre-school childcare program that supports fun education in a safe and comforting environment. PCTI Child Care students of The School of Education and Human Services assist the professional staff.
“If you can believe it, the mind can achieve it.”

– Ronnie Lott
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Federal Grants

No Child Left Behind
Title I $2,122,657
Title II $180,886
IDEA $789,196

Vocational Education
Carl D. Perkins $860,278

Labor & Workforce Development
Adult Basic Education $162,278

Total Federal Grants $4,115,017

State Grants

Vocational Education
Carl D. Perkins
Post Secondary - State Funds $80,0619
Apprentice Coordinator $21,223

Total State Grants $101,842

Total Federal & State Grants $4,216,859

2018/2019 School Budget

State Aid $22,933,633
Federal Aid $51,730
Tax Levy $6,475,063
Tuition $44,748,942
Miscellaneous $594,068
Surplus Appropriation $4,690,000
Capital Reserve Withdrawal $1,513,490

Special Schools
Tuition Revenue $522,455
Tax Levy $569,522

Grand Total $82,098,903
Achievements

The 2018-2019 Athletic year was incredibly successful as the Bulldogs collectively captured 10 Big North Conference Liberty Division Championships, an amazing 7 PCCA County Titles, 2 NJTAC Tech Tournament Crowns, and an NJSIAA State Sectional Championship.

State Championships:
Wrestling – NJSIAA North 1-Group 5 State Sectional Champions
(Second Time in Three years)

County Championships:
Boys Soccer (First “Outright” County Championship)
Boys Swimming – PCCA (Fifth Consecutive)
Girls Swimming – PCCA (Back-to-Back)
Boys Indoor Track
Girls Spring Track & Field
Boys Spring Track & Field
Softball (First Time Ever)

Big North Conference Championships:
Girls Volleyball (Third Consecutive)
Girls Soccer (First Time Ever)
Boys Soccer
Girls Swimming – BNC Liberty (First Time Ever)
Boys Indoor Track
Wrestling – BNC Liberty (Third Consecutive)
Boys Golf
Girls Spring Track & Field
Boys Spring Track & Field
Softball

NJTAC Tech Champions:
Girls Volleyball (First Time Ever)
Girls Swimming (First Time Ever)

Career Student-Athlete Milestones
Kayla Nelson – 100 Hits Club Lady Bulldogs Softball
Christian Vertedor – NJSIAA Wrestling State Medal Winner
Sydney Shannon – Group 4 State Champion & PCCA Female County Athlete of the Year

Conference Coaches of the Year:
Alima Pudup
Genevieve Wall
Denise Aronson
Michael Boorman
Caitlin Dowling
Luis Colon
Tom Bove
Tiffany Tookmanian

County Coaches of the Year:
Alima Pudup
Marc Foti
Denise Aronson
Genevieve Wall
Luis Colon
Michael Boorman
Tiffany Tookmanian

Career Coaching Milestones
Alberto Rosa – PCCA 100 Wins in Boys Volleyball
Matt Demarest – District and Regional Assistant Wrestling Coach of the Year
Caitlin Dowling – Big North Conference Overall Cheerleading Coach of the Year
Felicia Robinson – PCCA - PCTI Honor Award
AWARDS

NJAC MALE AND FEMALE SCHOLAR ATHLETE
Jenna Abreu
Brandon Arias

NJSIAA SCHOLAR ATHLETE AWARD
Kevin Aycardi ($500.00 NJSIAA Scholarship Award)

BIG NORTH CONFERENCE STUDENT-ATHLETE
Adrian Malave
Nancy Habib

PCCA STUDENT-ATHLETE NOMINATION
Sydney Shannon (PCCA Female Athlete of the Year)
Piero Urteaga

OLD TIMERS ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION OF GREATER PATERNON AWARD
Kayla Nelson

PCTI MALE AND FEMALE ATHLETE OF THE YEAR AWARD
Kayla Nelson
Joel Ingram

Sydney Shannon was named the PCCA Female County Athlete of the Year, marking only the second time in school history that this prestigious award was presented to a female PCTI Student-Athlete (the first coming in 2019- presented to her older sister, Sarah Shannon).

PCTI was named the 2018-2019 “Lou Molino” All Sports Banner Award Winner: Liberty Division

TAC Male and Female Scholar Athlete
Jenna Abreu
Brandon Arias

NJSIAA Scholar Athlete Award
Kevin Aycardi
($500.00 NJSIAA Scholarship Award)

Big North Conference Student-Athlete
Adrian Malave
Nancy Habib

PCCA Student-Athlete Nomination
Sydney Shannon
(PCCA Female Athlete of the Year)
Piero Urteaga

Old Timers Athletic Association of Greater Paterson Award
Kayla Nelson

PCTI Male and Female Athlete of the Year Award
Kayla Nelson
Joel Ingram
Here at PCTI, Bulldogs are always accomplishing fantastic feats! Take a look at some standout moments from the 2018-2019 school year.

PCTI Highlights

ProStart
Culinary students place 4th place in the National ProStart Invitational competition, earning the team scholarships and awards totaling $18,500 per student!

W!se Ranking
PCTI placed 2nd in the nation on the 2019 “100 Best W!se High Schools Teaching Personal Finance” list, acknowledging PCTI students’ outstanding scores on the organization’s national standardized Financial Literacy Test.

STEM Building
The Diana C. Lobosco STEM Academy was unveiled on August 28, 2018. New Jersey Governor Phil Murphy was in attendance to celebrate the ribbon cutting ceremony.

STEM Shark Tank
Students from the Diana C. Lobosco STEM Academy won third place in a Shark Tank style competition for their product that speeds up the decomposition of plastic bottles in landfills.

NASA Hunch
Students participated in the NASA Hunch competition and will be advancing to the national level for their specially created side dish for astronauts at the International Space Station.

SkillsUSA State Competition
Students received 23 medals, including six first place awards, at the SkillsUSA State Competition.
“To raise new questions, new possibilities, to regard old problems from a new angle, requires creative imagination and marks real advance in science.”

– Albert Einstein