

# Wilmington PROJECT EXPLORE

Shawsheen Valley Technical High School  
100 Cook Street, Billerica, MA 01821  
Phone 978-667-2111

March 6 to March 29, 2012  
Tuesday and Thursday - 2:15 to 4:45 p.m.

Project Explore is a quality after-school program offered to 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grade students who reside in the Shawsheen Tech Regional School District. It provides a great opportunity for students to visit the school and explore eight different vocational-technical shops/labs over a four-week period. School busses are provided to transport students from their middle school to Shawsheen Tech as well as to a bus stop near their home upon completion of the program each day.

Shawsheen Tech offers the following vocational-technical programs. Highlighted shops are those the students will rotate through during the 4-week session. As a consideration to students placed on a wait list, please do not apply if your child has other extracurricular activities that will interfere with their attendance to the entire 4-week session of Project Explore.

- *Auto Body*
- *Automotive Technology*
- *Business Information Services*
- *Carpentry*
- *Commercial Art & Design*
- *Computer-Aided Design & Drafting*
- *Computer Science & Internet*
- *Cosmetology*
- *Culinary Arts/Bakery*
- *Dental Assisting*
- *Electrical*
- *Electronics*
- *Graphic Arts*
- *Health & Medical Assisting*
- *HVAC-Refrigeration*
- *Machine Technology*
- *Masonry*
- *Metal Fabrication & Welding*
- *Plumbing and Heating*

**APPLICATION DEADLINE IS FRIDAY, JANUARY 20, 2012**  
**PLEASE RETURN TO MS. HORNUNG, MIDDLE SCHOOL GUIDANCE COUNSELOR**

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Town: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent Work: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Medical Concerns: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Counselor's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please return the completed form to Ms. Hornung in the Guidance Office.**

If you have any questions, please leave a message for the program coordinator, Mr. John Morrison, at 978-671-3608. Mr. Morrison will return your call.

Shawsheen Valley Technical High School shall provide equal access to and opportunity in its programs, facilities and employment without regard to race, color, sex, religion, national origin, sexual orientation or disability.

## Project Explore - Frequently Asked Questions

- **Question:** Do students get to pick the shops they want to “explore”? **Answer:** No, students will rotate through eight pre-determined shops.
- **Question:** What do I need to do if I will be picking up my student before the end of the class? **Answer:** Send a note in with your student and have him/her give it to Mr. John Morrison, program coordinator.
- **Question:** Where do I pick my student up if I am dismissing him/her early? **Answer:** He/she will be brought to the main entrance of the school at the assigned time.
- **Question:** Can I pick up my student instead of them taking the bus home? **Answer:** Yes. Please give a note to Mr. Morrison, program coordinator, for the day you are picking them up. If you are picking them up for the entire session, please send in a note stating that. Parent pick-ups will be brought to the rear of the school.
- **Question:** Can I bring someone else’s child home? **Answer:** Yes. A note from that child’s parent/guardian needs to be given to Mr. Morrison, program coordinator, on that day stating who will be bringing their child home.
- **Question:** Do students receive a snack? **Answer:** Yes, all students gather in the cafeteria for a snack before going to their assigned shop.
- **Question:** Where do I bring my student if he/she will be arriving late? **Answer:** Bring them to the main entrance and have them check in at the switchboard/reception desk.
- **Question:** Can my student be paired up with his/her friends? **Answer:** No, groups are randomly selected.
- **Question:** Is Project Explore held if school is released early due to inclement weather? **Answer:** Project Explore is cancelled if school is released early due to inclement weather.
- **Question:** If the middle school has a scheduled early release, is Project Explore still held? **Answer:** Yes, the program will still be held but no busses will transport students either to or from Shawsheen. Parents must transport their child to Shawsheen if they wish to attend.
- **Question:** Is a class made up if it has been cancelled? **Answer:** No, if a class has been cancelled, an additional class will not be added to the end of the session.
- **Question:** Do I need to notify Shawsheen Tech if my student will not be attending a class? **Answer:** No, it is not necessary to contact Shawsheen if your student will be absent for a class.
- **Question:** What are the expectations of any student during the Project Explore Program? **Answer:** Students are expected to maintain A+ behavior, adhere to all safety rules and conduct themselves appropriately and respectfully at all times.



Please look on the other side for rules and guidelines for the program.

# Project Explore

The following rules and guidelines will be in place to ensure the learning and safety for all Project Explore participants:

- ✓ No cell phones
- ✓ Sneakers or shoes only, no open-toed shoes or sandals due to safety concerns
- ✓ Appropriate and respectful language
- ✓ Respect towards teachers, student helpers, fellow Explorers and self
- ✓ No food or drink, including gum and candy
- ✓ A program free of fighting and bullying
- ✓ Appropriate bus behavior