

# Choose your pathway to **College** or **Career**

## AGRICULTURE, FOOD & NATURAL RESOURCES



You can jumpstart your future in an exciting, high-demand career in agriculture, food, or natural resources while earning your high school diploma or equivalent!

### Your Pathway Is Waiting for You

**Want to go on to college?** Get a head start on a major and save money on the cost of college\*\* when you begin your pathway now.

**Looking for enriching courses with real-world value?** Our courses are designed to give you the training needed to qualify for a fulfilling job.

**Want a better-paying job right out of high school?** You'll be better prepared to get the industry certification you'll need to get hired.

If you are one of those people who can't imagine working in an office all day, then maybe a career in agriculture, forestry, or food processing is right for you.

With courses available to you right now, you can graduate from high school with the skills to land a fulfilling job like these:

#### FARMER, RANCHER, OR AGRICULTURE MANAGER

**\$67,950** PER YEAR MEDIAN PAY (\$32.67/HOUR)\*

#### FOOD PROCESSING WORKER

**\$29,090** PER YEAR MEDIAN PAY (\$13.99/HOUR)\*

#### FOREST AND CONSERVATION WORKER

**\$27,460** PER YEAR MEDIAN PAY (\$13.20/HOUR)\*

Or you can use these courses as a stepping stone to college where you can earn a bachelor's degree and pursue high-paying careers like these:

#### AGRICULTURE ENGINEER

**\$77,110** PER YEAR MEDIAN PAY (\$37.07/HOUR)\*

#### AGRICULTURE AND FOOD SCIENCE SCIENTIST

**\$64,020** PER YEAR MEDIAN PAY (\$30.78/HOUR)\*

#### AGRICULTURE AND FOOD SCIENCE TECHNICIAN

**\$40,700** PER YEAR MEDIAN PAY (\$19.65/HOUR)\*

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## Connect to Your Future

Here are the courses for each of these compelling pathways<sup>1</sup>:

Agribusiness	Technical Systems	Food Processing & Production
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• AGRISCIENCE II</li><li>• AGRIBUSINESS (expected spring semester 2020)</li><li>• ENTREPRENEURSHIP 1</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• AGRISCIENCE II</li><li>• AGRICULTURE MECHANICS 1</li><li>• AGRICULTURE MECHANICS 2</li><li>• AGRICULTURE MECHANICS 3</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• AGRISCIENCE II</li><li>• INTRODUCTION TO CULINARY ARTS</li><li>• PRINCIPLES OF CULINARY ARTS</li><li>• PRINCIPLES OF AGRICULTURE, FOOD, AND NATIONAL RESOURCES</li><li>• FOOD PRODUCTION 1</li><li>• FOOD PRODUCTION 2</li></ul>



### Credentials That Open Doors

Our agriculture, food, and natural resources pathways are geared to give you the knowledge and skills to be able to pass the certification exam for the specific career you're interested in.

**Catch the attention of employers** in your chosen field with widely recognized certifications:

- National Occupational Competency Testing Institute<sup>®</sup> (NOCTI<sup>®</sup>) Agriculture Mechanics
- ServeSafe Food Handler
- ACT National Career Readiness Certification (NCRC)

**Contact your guidance counselor to learn more!**

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<sup>1</sup>Eligible high school students may earn college credits on select courses.

<sup>2</sup>Bureau of Labor Statistics, Career Outlook, Clusters, pathways, and BLS: Connecting career information, March 2015.

<sup>3</sup>Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, Occupational Outlook Handbook, September, 2019 edition.

<sup>4</sup>Career fields and pathways vary by school. Check with your school for its current offerings.