

# CAREER PATHWAYS CONSORTIUM

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Blue Ridge Career Pathways Consortium is a collaborative partnership linking business and industry with secondary schools, career technical centers and Blue Ridge Community College. This partnership consists of Blue Ridge Community College, Virginia School for the Deaf and the Blind, Staunton, Waynesboro and Harrisonburg City Public Schools and Rockingham, Highland and Augusta County Public Schools. The mission of this consortium is to provide for advanced skill education and training in technology-related careers, which will result in a two-year certificate or associate degree, a baccalaureate degree, and/or employment in a technical career. Career Pathways Consortium will prepare students for high-skill, high-wage careers demanded by an increasingly competitive world economy. Issues centered around student access and achievement for college and career readiness drive the work and goals of the consortium. Our vision is: To support, promote, and encourage quality career and technical education programs that link secondary and post-secondary education, employers, and communities to ensure a highly skilled workforce.

The consortium accomplishes its mission

1. by building a unified curriculum which relies on the input of employers, provides career development opportunities, and offers secondary/post-secondary career paths that provide a seamless transition for students from secondary to post-secondary education and/or the world of work, and
2. by initiating and supporting educational improvement at the secondary and post-secondary levels by enhancing the academic and technical competence of educators.

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