

Beaver County Career and Technology Center (BC-CTC)

The Beaver County Career and Technology Center (BC-CTC) is an off-campus program offering training in occupational, vocational and technical programs for Freedom Area HS students. The training and education at the BC-CTC will develop hands on skills and knowledge that may lead to employment or further education after high school. Click [HERE](#) for BC-CTC website.

- BC-CTC is a two (2) year training program during the student's junior and senior year. The students will spend half a day (Freedom is the AM session) at the BC-CTC and the remainder of the day at Freedom High School where they are enrolled in courses required for graduation. Cosmo is a 3 year program.
- BC-CTC students will graduate at his/her home school with a regular Freedom Area Diploma: additionally, the student will also receive a certificate from their BC-CTC, showing hours in training and the skills that have been developed.
- There are 17 programs offered at the BC-CTC. Students of all ability levels are eligible to attend. Please click [HERE](#) to view all 17 programs:
- BC-CTC applications are **now online** and due by April 1st.
- If a student is accepted to the BC-CTC and has to repeat a required course during their junior year, a schedule conflict may arise whereby the student would not be able to attend the BC-CTC. In such cases, students must attend summer school to make up any deficient courses prior to attending the BC-CTC.
- Courses available at Freedom High School for the BC-CTC student may be limited due to the time constraints. A student desiring to schedule a specific subject in grades 11 or 12 should consult with their guidance counselor.
- Students may be eligible for [post-secondary credits](#) through state and private articulation agreements. Please go to their website for more information.
- Some students attending BC-CTC may be eligible to earn an additional ½ math credit per year if they are enrolled in the Algebra I or Geometry course at BC-CTC. The ½ math credit per year is graded separately from the 3 credits for the BC-CTC class. The math courses will be determined by Counselors and Administrators.
- The Cosmetology Program is a three (3) year, 1250 hour program. If a Freedom student enrolls in the Cosmetology course during their junior year, they will not have all the required hours for their certification. Additional training hours after high school graduation will be required for program certification in Cosmetology.
- **To be eligible** to attend the Beaver County BC-CTC, students will need to be updated with their Freedom credits and attendance needs to be within Freedom's policy.
- **For those In Demand Programs i.e., Welding, Health, Vet, Carpentry (This changes year to year)**, School Districts are allocated a certain number of seats for each program. If there are more Freedom students than seats, the school counselor will need to look at attendance, credits and grades to place students in those specific programs.

The Orientation Timeline for Sophomores Includes:

- November/December: Orientation overview in the Sophomore English 10 course with the BC-CTC Representative and Freedom Counselor.
- December/January: First ½ day visit to spend time in a program area for interested sophomores who are thinking about a career in one of the 17 programs. Students can select up to 2 programs to visit. Parent permission forms will be required.
- January/February/March: Students are able to attend a second ½ day visit at the BC-CTC in their interested programs areas. Students can select up to two programs to visit. Parent permission forms will be required.
- Students who want to attend will need to complete an online application. Once the online application is available, a link will be emailed out to students.
- In addition, the online application will be available on Freedom Area High School's Guidance Page in the Beaver County Career and Technology Center's section.
- Online Applications needs to be completed by April 1st.
- Students will need to schedule the BC-CTC during Freedom's scheduling process in the spring.

Please visit BC-CTC's [home page](#) for more information regarding the Beaver County Career and Technology Center or contact Ms. Rita Kaplin at 724-775-7400 Ext. 452 or rkaplin@freedomarea.org