



Portage Lakes | Career Center

2026-2027

Course Overview



**EXTRAORDINARY
EXPERIENCES**

Every Student. Every Day.

Our Mission

We equip and empower tomorrow's leaders to discover their passion and design their future.



Our Beliefs

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We believe an innovative culture positions our students environment, where individuals are respected and and maximize student growth. We believe learning,

Your School of Choice

Portage Lakes Career Center is a school of choice for students to experience hands-on education in a specific career path. Students who attend PLCC have additional opportunities to prepare themselves for careers or higher education before graduation. PLCC provides the platform to **gain industry-recognized credentials** for 21st century careers and opportunities to **earn college credit** through options such as articulated credit and/or CTAG credit, making higher education more affordable and within reach.



Courses *Relevant* to Your Career

CAREER PATH / Student Programs:

ARTS & COMMUNICATIONS

Design, Communication & Marketing

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Digital Media Technology **NEW!**

CONSTRUCTION TECHNOLOGIES

**Building Trades
Electrical Technology
Heating, Ventilation & Air Conditioning**

ENGINEERING & MANUFACTURING

ManuWeld

MANUFACTURING

**Welding Technology
Automation & Electronics**

HEALTH SCIENCE

**Pre-Nursing
Medical Technician
Sports Medicine
Dental Assisting**

HOSPITALITY & TOURISM

Culinary Arts

HUMAN SERVICES

Cosmetology

TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS

Automotive Technology

LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY

**Fire Academy
Law & Criminal Justice**

to navigate an evolving global economy. We believe success demands a safe valued. We believe experiences beyond the classroom walls enrich learning teaching, designing, and leading is a shared responsibility.

CAREER PATH ARTS & COMMUNICATIONS



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Design, Communication & Marketing

Turn your creative eye into a powerful way to connect with people. In Design, Communication & Marketing, you'll explore the art and strategy behind visual storytelling - and how to use it to build, market, and manage a brand's image. You'll master the fundamentals of design by combining text, photography, images, and web content to create compelling messages across multiple platforms. From capturing the perfect shot to crafting a campaign that shapes public perception, you'll gain the creative and strategic skills needed for careers in graphic design, photography, marketing, social media content creation/management, web design and branding.

INDUSTRY-RECOGNIZED CREDENTIALS

Adobe Certified Professional in the following:

Adobe Photoshop
Adobe Illustrator
Adobe InDesign
Adobe Premiere Pro

Adobe Content Creation & Marketing using Adobe Express
Certiport Communication Skills for Business
Bleeding Control Basic
CPR Certification
OSHA 10 Certification

NEW!

CAREER PATH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY



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Digital Media Technology

If you've ever wanted to turn your creativity into something people can see, hear, and share — this is your program. In Digital Media Technology, you'll dive into the world of video, audio, and graphic design, learning how to take an idea from your imagination all the way to the screen. You'll explore professional techniques for creating eye-catching graphics, producing videos with special effects, recording and editing podcasts, and mixing sound or music to bring your projects to life. From designing media for web, streaming, and social platforms, to producing broadcast-ready content, you'll gain the skills to tell stories that capture attention. Whether you dream of being a content creator, videographer, director, film editor, or audio engineer, this program gives you the creative tools and technical know-how to jump-start your career.

INDUSTRY-RECOGNIZED CREDENTIALS

Avid Certified Operator:
Pro Tools - Music
Adobe After Effects
Adobe Content Creation & Marketing using Adobe Express

Adobe Photoshop
Adobe Premiere Pro
Avid Certified User:
Pro Tools

Bleeding Control Basic
CPR Certification
OSHA 10 Certification

CAREER PATH CONSTRUCTION TECHNOLOGIES



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Building Trades

Building Trades students learn the fundamentals of residential construction, maintenance, repair, and remodeling of homes. Students in this program should enjoy working outdoors in different weather conditions and will have the opportunity to master skills like layout and roughing-in of a house, wiring and plumbing a house to code, masonry foundation and concrete work, drywall and finish carpentry, setting windows and hanging doors, painting, roofing, and siding installation. Students also learn how to operate the following construction site equipment: skid steer, excavator, telehandler, boom lift, and scissor lift.

INDUSTRY-RECOGNIZED CREDENTIALS

CITF Career Connection Certificates - Levels 1-4

OSHA 10 Certification

Forklift Certification

Manlift Operation

Aerial Work Platform

Bleeding Control Basic

CPR Certification



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Electrical Technology

Electricians install, connect, test, and maintain electrical systems for a variety of reasons, from climate control to security to communications. PLCC's Electrical Technology students will learn how to install, service, maintain, and troubleshoot residential, commercial, and industrial wiring systems.

INDUSTRY-RECOGNIZED CREDENTIALS

Ohio State Apprenticeship Council Recognized Pre-Apprenticeship Program Certificate of Completion

OSHA 10 Certification

Forklift Certification

Manlift Operation

Aerial Work Platform

Bleeding Control Basic

CPR Certification



CAREER PATH CONSTRUCTION TECHNOLOGIES



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Heating, Ventilation & Air Conditioning

As the population and economy grow, so does the demand for residential, commercial, and industrial climate control systems. Heating, ventilation, and air conditioning (HVAC) technicians design, install, maintain, and repair the equipment used to provide environmental indoor air quality in homes and buildings.

INDUSTRY-RECOGNIZED CREDENTIALS

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| EPA Core + Levels 1-3 | Manlift Operation | Low GWP Refrigerant Safety |
| EPA Universal | Forklift Certification | Bleeding Control Basic |
| OSHA 10 Certification | Aerial Work Platform | CPR Certification |

CAREER PATH ENGINEERING & MANUFACTURING



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ManuWeld

Students engage in the design, prototyping, and manufacturing of products and devices that drive modern life. This program prepares students to enter a number of professional fields including engineering, drafting, CNC machining, welding, product design, manufacturing, and more. As a NIMS accredited school, students can expect to learn a variety of skills making them an incredibly versatile employee with the skills needed to succeed in modern industry.

INDUSTRY-RECOGNIZED CREDENTIALS

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| AutoCAD User | NIMS: Turning 1 |
| Certified Solid Works Associate | Forklift Certification |
| American Welding Society (AWS) - Welding Qualification (GMAW) | OSHA 10 Certification |
| NIMS: Measurement, Materials & Safety | Bleeding Control Basic |
| NIMS: CNC Mill Operations | CPR Certification |



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Welding

If you like working with your hands, seeing projects through from start to finish, and staying active while you work, welding could be a nice fit. Welders - especially those with a wide range of skills - are in high demand in both commercial and industrial businesses. In our program you will be out in the weld shop practicing stick welding or learning MIG and TIG welds. You will also learn how to program the plasma cutter for specific designs. In this dynamic program there will be lots of opportunities to be creative and put your skills to the test with special projects.

INDUSTRY-RECOGNIZED CREDENTIALS

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| American Welding Society
Certified Welder Qualification | OSHA 30 Certification |
| OSHA 10 Certification | NIMS: Measurement, Materials & Safety |
| Forklift Certification | CPR Certification |
| Manlift Operation | Bleeding Control Basic |
| Aerial Work Platform | |



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Automation & Electronics

Students in this program will learn about all technical aspects of production including how to troubleshoot and fix mechanical problems commonly encountered in the manufacturing process. Students will focus on motors, electronics and electrical systems including AC and DC circuits, hydraulic and pneumatic systems, and understanding automation of electromechanical processes. Industry 4.0 curriculum and obtaining SACA (Smart Automation Certification Alliance) credentials are key components of this program and students can go on to work as critical employees of any production-related industry. If you enjoy understanding how things work and taking apart things to fix them, this might be a good fit for you.

INDUSTRY-RECOGNIZED CREDENTIALS

- Smart Automation Certification Alliance (SACA) -
 - Certified Industry 4.0 Associate I - Basic Operations
 - Certified Industry 4.0 Associate II - Advanced Operations
 - Certified Industry 4.0 Automation Systems Specialist -
 - Electric Motor Control Systems
 - Certified Industry 4.0 Automation Systems Specialist -
 - Electrical Systems
- NIMS: Measurement, Materials & Safety
- OSHA 10 Certification
- Bleeding Control Basic
- CPR Certification





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Pre-Nursing

Our Pre-Nursing program offers the perfect start for a career in medical and health occupations. Experience hands-on learning in our Health Technology Wing with actual patient room set-ups & equipment replicating what you would see in a hospital. Learn the practical methods needed to be eligible to participate in the Ohio State Certified Nurse Assistant (CNA) examination. Pre-Nursing students will receive training in current health care concepts and processes as well as health care equipment usage.

INDUSTRY-RECOGNIZED CREDENTIALS

CNA Certification ServSafe® Certification
CPR Certification Bleeding Control Basic



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Medical Technician

Interested in a career in healthcare—but not necessarily in full, direct patient care? The Medical Technician program might be the perfect fit for you! This hands-on, career-focused program explores key areas such as medical terminology, nutrition and wellness, drug interactions, pharmacology, and health information systems.

With this diverse foundation, you'll be prepared for exciting opportunities in a doctor or dentist office, in pharmacies, or as a healthcare technician in a variety of medical settings. Whether you're looking to enter the workforce after graduation or continue your education, this program opens the door to a range of rewarding healthcare careers

INDUSTRY-RECOGNIZED CREDENTIALS

Certified Pharmacy Technician
Pharmacy Technician Trainee
CPR Certification
Bleeding Control Basic





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Sports Medicine

Sports Medicine focuses on helping people improve their athletic performance, recover from injury, and prevent future injuries. It is a fast-growing healthcare field because health workers who specialize in sports medicine help all kinds of people, not just athletes. In this program, students focus on the basic concepts of strength training techniques, muscle and cardiovascular endurance, athletic injuries and prevention, athletic taping and bracing, and sports nutrition/wellness.

INDUSTRY-RECOGNIZED CREDENTIALS

- AMCA Physical Therapy Aide Certification
- Bleeding Control Basic CPR Certification
- OHSAA Officiating License



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Dental Assisting

Discover the dynamic world of dental healthcare with our Dental Assistant course! As a dental assistant, you'll play a crucial role in supporting dentists and ensuring the dental office runs smoothly. From preparing treatment rooms and sterilizing instruments to assisting during dental exams, taking x-rays and impressions, educating patients on oral hygiene, and maintaining patient records, you'll gain invaluable hands-on experience.

Dental Assistants require strong communication skills, attention to detail, and the ability to put patients at ease. With the proper training and certification, you can gain the necessary knowledge and skills to begin a dental assisting career immediately after graduation.

INDUSTRY-RECOGNIZED CREDENTIALS

- American Medical Technologies - Registered Dental Assistant
- Bleeding Control Basic CPR First Aid
- Dental Assistant Radiographer's Certificate
- OSHA 10 Certification



CAREER PATH HOSPITALITY & TOURISM



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Culinary Arts

If you enjoy spending time in the kitchen, Culinary Arts is the program for you! Our Culinary Arts students have the unique opportunity to train in both a culinary institute environment and run our public restaurant, The Neon Lime, which features freshly prepared and delicious cuisine. Students not only learn how to plan menus, prepare, present, and serve food but get real-life exposure to all aspects of operating and managing a restaurant. Students are encouraged to further their training at the post-secondary level.



INDUSTRY-RECOGNIZED CREDENTIALS

- ServSafe® Food Handler's License
- ServSafe® Manager's License
- ProStart Certificate of Achievement
- Bleeding Control Basic
- CPR Certification

CAREER PATH HUMAN SERVICES



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Cosmetology

Our Cosmetology program will train you in the fundamentals of hair, skin, and nails. You will learn all about the proper use of styling tools, skin care, and color technology. Instruction and practical experience will prepare and qualify you to take the Ohio State Cosmetology and Barber Board exam to become licensed.

Students gain additional confidence and hands-on experience in our full-service School of Cosmetology Salon which is operated by our students and open to the public during the school year. Our students are able to offer these services: Haircuts and Styling, Highlights and Coloring, Perms, Basic Facials, Manicures, Shellac Manicures, and Pedicures.

INDUSTRY-RECOGNIZED CREDENTIALS

- Ohio State Cosmetology and Barber Board Cosmetology License
- Tanning Operators Certification
- Boutique Services: Braiding
- Boutique Services: Make-up Artistry
- Boutique Services: Shampooing
- CPR Certification
- Bleeding Control Basic



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Automotive Technology

If you want to gain knowledge and experience in the challenging field of automotive service and repair, this program is for you. This is an Automotive Service Excellence (ASE) nationally certified program where students learn mechanical service repair and diagnostics on cars and light trucks. Practical experience is gained in the areas of brakes, electrical, steering and suspension systems, and engine performance.

INDUSTRY-RECOGNIZED CREDENTIALS

ASE Student Certification:

- Brakes
- Steering/Suspension
- Electrical/Electronic Systems
- Engine Performance
- Maintenance & Light Repair

S/P2 Safety & Pollution Prevention
Training

S/P2 Electric Vehicle Safety

Automotive Lift Institute Certification

CPR Certification

Bleeding Control Basic

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Hands-On Opportunity



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Fire Academy

Do you thrive in a high-pressure environment? Do you enjoy helping others? Do you appreciate a disciplined, rigorous environment? In our Fire Academy program, you will learn the academics, physical techniques, and employability skills to better prepare for a career as a firefighter and emergency medical technician. In this program, you will have the opportunity to earn your Level I and II Firefighter Certification as well as the Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) basic certification.

Our partnership with Stark State College's Emergency Services program will further enhance your experience and afford you numerous opportunities to train on fire and medical equipment at both the PLCC and the Stark State campus. If your goal is to save lives, to protect property, to help and serve your community, and to safeguard the environment, Fire Academy is the fit for you.



INDUSTRY-RECOGNIZED CREDENTIALS

Firefighter I & II	NIMS 100, 200, 700, 800 Certification	HAZWOPER Operational Level
EMT Basic	CPR Certification	HAZWOPER Awareness Level
9-1-1 Basic	Bleeding Control Basic	
Certified Phlebotomy Technician		



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Law & Criminal Justice

The Law & Criminal Justice program at Portage Lakes Career Center is committed to providing students with the quality education and training needed to perform effectively in a wide variety of career positions within the criminal justice and legal fields. Training will focus on knowledge and enforcement of the law and the protection of life and property in both the public and private sectors.

Law & Criminal Justice students need to be honest, respectful, caring, have good judgement, and be physically fit. They should also be able to work in a team environment with minimal supervision.

INDUSTRY-RECOGNIZED CREDENTIALS

NIMS 100, 200, 700, 800 Certification	ODRC Correctional Officer - Provisional
Taser Certification	Bleeding Control Basic
ASP Baton Certification	CPR/First Aid Certification
OC Pepper Spray Certification	9-1-1 Basic



Taking your academics at PLCC

Fulfill your academic requirements at PLCC with academic courses, led by our outstanding instructional staff. At PLCC, we offer 17 Career Technical training programs to choose from but realize the importance of excelling and completing your academic requirements to prepare you for graduation. Career Center students have the option of taking their required academic courses at PLCC or at their home school.

How to Apply to PLCC



Visit our web site at www.plcc.edu OR scan the QR code to apply.

We are dedicated to connecting students to success by aligning them with the best pathway that suits their interests, skills, and aspirations. If you or your parents/guardians have questions, we encourage you to contact:

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Dates to Remember 2026-2027

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for FAQs



OCTOBER

Registration Opens

for the 2026-2027 school year.
Apply online at www.plcc.edu

NOVEMBER 20

5:30 - 7:30PM

Career Open House

Sophomores and their parents/
guardians are invited to discover
all that PLCC has to discover.

OCTOBER Sophomore Presentations

PLCC staff will visit each partner
school to discuss the benefits of
attending PLCC.

JANUARY

Student acceptance boxes delivered
to partner schools!

NOVEMBER 19 & 20

Sophomore Visitation Days

Tenth graders will visit PLCC and focus
on 3 programs of their choice to see
first-hand the career and technical
education programs offered.

JANUARY/MARCH Career Tech Tuesdays

Sophomores who have not applied
or been accepted will have the
opportunity to visit up to two programs
of their choice to shadow for half a day.

Priority Enrollment Deadline: 12/12/25



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for ONLINE APPLICATION



"To be honest, I was fearful going into my junior year thinking I wasn't going to succeed in my academics and that I would just do what I needed to do to get by in my Dental Assisting program. However, I've learned that all of the teachers are willing to take their time and teach every student. My teacher gave me the opportunity to make the most of my life in the best possible way. A quote I find to be true is, "If you're not willing to learn, no one can help you. If you're determined to learn, no one can stop you." (Zig Ziglar)

*Elina Cox -
Dental Assisting*





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Imagine the Possibilities

Who Attends

At PLCC, our students come to us from Coventry, Green, Manchester, and Springfield schools – each bringing their own story, strengths, and dreams. No matter where they start, we meet them right where they are. Through hands-on learning, caring instructors, and real-world experiences, we help students become confident, prepared, inspired, and connected to a future they can be proud of.

Where could your child be two years from now? At PLCC, students gain the hands-on experience, certifications, and confidence that open doors – whether they're heading to college, starting a career, or joining the military.

Discover the Right Fit

Explore programs that match your child's interests and talents. From healthcare and public safety to technology, trades, and the arts – PLCC offers real-world learning that makes education exciting and relevant.

Take the Next Step

Work with your child and his/her school counselor to create a high school plan with purpose. Enrolling at PLCC for 11th and 12th grade means giving your student a head start on the future – while still enjoying the full high school experience.