Career Opportunities in Machine Technology

- entry-level precision machine set-up operator can make $35,000 to $45,000 or more annually.
- experienced precision machinist earnings range from $40,000 to $75,000 annually.
- the u.s. government projects 3 job openings for every new certified precision metalworker.
- precision machining provides a practical basis for an engineering or business degree.

Sources: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, NSF/SRS, NTMS, TMS, AMBA, PMA

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your first step towards a bright future

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Machine Tool Technology Program
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Chicopee Comp Machine Tool Technology Program

to the incoming freshmen at chicopee comprehensive high school

As an incoming Career & Technical Education (CTE) freshman at Chicopee Comprehensive High School, I encourage you to keep an open mind and to take a chance on something that is new to you as you explore the CTE programs.

I took a chance on the Precision Manufacturing Industry and now I am the owner of a successful manufacturing business that features highly specialized parts for the aerospace and commercial markets, as well as the healthcare, food and paper industries. The people working here are specialists in their areas who came through a program like the Machine Tool Technology program at your school. Machining and other advanced manufacturing jobs pay well and are clean, high-tech and in high demand.

Machining is a skilled trade for which you can receive training at your school and walk into a career or continue your education after high school. As a graduate of a math and science based program like Machine Tool Technology, you could be earning twice as much as your peers right out of high school. Businesses like mine are seeking to hire graduates with mechanical aptitude, basic problem-solving skills, a good math background, attention to detail and a desire to learn and stay up-to-date with the latest technologies.

The following testimonials are a sample of the many great opportunities that the high-tech world of machining and manufacturing has to offer.

Sincerely,

Susan M. Kasa

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President
Boulevard Machine & Gear, Inc.

Worcester Polytechnic Institute (WPI)

Jessica Dzwonkoski
Class of 2012
WPI Student

Environmental Engineering major/Manufacturing Engineering minor

"My Machine Tool Technology background helped me to know what works and what it takes to make a project successful and build the basics to design components for hydro turbines and hydraulics. Because I knew the basics, I'm able in my college program to be creative and work on design projects more efficiently."

Marox Corporation

Alex Casimiro
CNC Machinist
Class of 2010

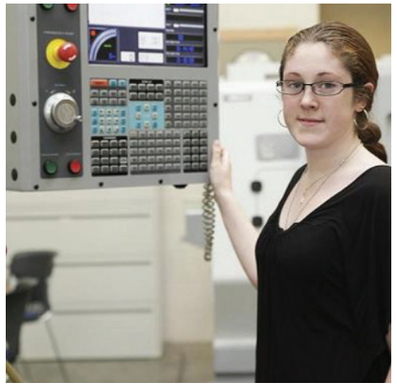
"I like the challenge. My job is always different, and there's something new every day. I'm always learning about new technology, and it's good money. I'm a Mechanical Engineering major at Holyoke Community College and plan to become a mechanical engineer."

Hoppe Technologies

Cody Gadreault
CNC Machinist
Class of 2012

"I love making parts and using math, and I like to work on programming and design. The main thing to remember during exploratory is to pay attention and take it seriously so you can get the program you want. Enjoy it, and pick something that you're interested in."

Chicopee Comprehensive High School



Elizabeth Ryan
Class of 2015

"I selected Machine Tool Technology because I'm interested in how things work. I enjoy being able to make or design a part that later makes something work. My advice to exploratory students is to always work hard. Working hard is the fastest way to success, and it always pays off."

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