



## Public Safety Programs



## Healthcare Programs



## Trade Industry & Customized Training



**VANTAGE CAREER CENTER**

# ADULT EDUCATION COURSE BROCHURE



**A University System of Ohio Provider**

# WELCOME

Vantage Career Center offers postsecondary technical training for adults and area businesses looking to advance their knowledge. Adult Education at Vantage Career Center offers programming to prepare learners for certificates, industry-recognized credentials, and state licensures. We can respond quickly to the needs of business and industry by providing customized trainings and business consultation services to companies in order to assist with meeting our area workforce goals.

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## WANT TO GO TO COLLEGE BUT AFRAID TO TAKE THAT FIRST STEP?

Start close to home with Vantage Career Center Adult Education. Some of our Career programs make you eligible for college credit at any of Ohio's public colleges or universities that offer these programs. Visit <https://transfercredit.ohio.gov/> for more information.

If you complete Practical Nursing or LPN-RN transition and pass the credential for the program, you can have one year of your associate degree completed and finish an ATS degree in only one more year. Visit <https://www.ohiohighered.org/one-year-option> for more information.



## PHONE INFORMATION

419-238-5411  
1-800-686-3944  
Fax: 419-238-4058

## OFFICE HOURS

**Monday - Thursday**  
8:00 am - 7:00 pm  
**Friday**  
8:00 am - 3:00 pm  
*Closed on Fridays in summer*

# MISSION STATEMENT

**Vantage provides authentic, student-focused, career technical training that prepares high school students and adults for employment and further education.**



## POLICIES & SCHOOL INFORMATION

### ACCREDITATION

Vantage Career Center is accredited by the Commissions of the Council on Occupational Education. Contact information for the Council as follows: Council on Occupational Education, 7840 Roswell Road, Building 300 Suite 325, Atlanta, GA 30350, Telephone: 770-396-3898 / Fax: 770-396-3790. [www.council.org](http://www.council.org).

### NON-DISCRIMINATION & EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES STATEMENT

Vantage Career Center does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex (including sexual orientation and transgender identity), disability, age, religion, military status, ancestry, genetic information (collectively, "Protected Classes"), or any other legally protected category, in its programs and activities, including employment opportunities.

### REFUND/CANCELLATION POLICY

Any student may cancel their enrollment by notifying the school at any time prior to or during training. Charges are determined based on the length of the program and the student's last day of enrollment. The school reserves the right to cancel classes due to insufficient enrollment. If Vantage Career Center cancels a class, 100% of the tuition and fees collected will be refunded within 45 days of the planned start date. Our entire Refund/Cancellation Policy is published in our School Catalog & Student Handbook which is available online at [www.vantagecareercenter.com](http://www.vantagecareercenter.com) under Consumer Information. Paper copies are available in the Adult Education office by request.

### MAILING INFORMATION

**Vantage Career Center  
818 North Franklin St.  
Van Wert, Ohio 45891**





# PRACTICAL NURSING

## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Licensed Practical Nurses have a wide range of professional opportunities such as working in physician offices, clinics, hospitals, home health, hospice and long term care facilities.

## JOB OUTLOOK

According to the United States Department of Labor Outlook Handbook, the need for licensed practical nurses is projected to increase by 16% during the time frame of 2014-2024. This growth is much faster than average in comparison with other occupations.

## PROGRAM TRAINING INCLUDES

Multiple nursing courses cover basic nursing skills, fundamentals of nursing, medical surgical nursing, maternity nursing, and pediatric nursing. Other corresponding courses include math for nurses, pharmacology, anatomy and physiology, nutrition, growth and development and professional issues.

Students who successfully complete the program will be able to take the NCLEX-PN licensure examination to become licensed as a practical nurse (LPN).

## BASIC QUALIFICATIONS

Must be 18 years of age and have a valid driver's license and possess a high school diploma or its equivalent.

## KEY INFORMATION

**Duration:** 1,318 Clock Hours  
Completed in 11 Months

**Dates:** Begins every Fall

**Class**  
**Schedule:** Mondays through Thursdays  
7:30 am - 3:45 pm

### Additional Costs:

Students may pay for out of pocket expenses including application, pre-admission exams, FBI/BCI background checks, drug screenings, testing fees, and shoes. Additional out of pocket expenses may be incurred for vaccinations/titers if you cannot provide documentation of required immunizations.

Note: Costs listed above are estimates. Prices may vary depending on when and where purchased.

Financial Assistance to those who qualify:

- Federal Aid – Pell & FSEOG Grants, Direct Student Loans
- VA Educational Benefits
- Ohio Means Jobs- Contact your local OMJ to see if you qualify.



# LPN TO RN TRANSITION

## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Registered Nurses have a wide range of professional opportunities available in all areas of healthcare. Registered Nursing roles range from bedside nursing care to supervisory and leadership roles in the healthcare system. Graduates of the program will be ready for entry-level employment in hospitals, long-term care facilities, post-acute skilled nursing facilities, home health care agencies, hospice, urgent care clinics, and physician offices.

## JOB OUTLOOK

According to the United States Department of Labor Occupation Outlook Handbook, the need for registered nurses is projected to increase by 12% during the timeframe of 2018 through 2028. This growth is much faster than average in comparison with other occupations. The reason for the increase in demand is related to several factors. The chief reason is the shift in demographics related to the aging population. Seventy million baby boomers will reach the over 65-age group by 2030. Persons over the age of 65 account for 34 percent of surgical procedures, 26 percent of all doctor's visits, and 90 percent of all long-term care residents.

## PROGRAM TRAINING INCLUDES

The program will include classroom, laboratory, and clinical instruction. Courses are Health Concepts I, Health Concepts II, Health Concepts III, Pediatric Nursing Concepts, Maternity Nursing Concepts, Psychiatric Nursing Concepts, and Professional Nursing Concepts. The conceptual framework incorporates both the NCSBN Clinical Judgment Measurement Model and Kristen Swanson's Theory of Caring within the Quality and Safety Education for Nurses (QSEN) competencies. Together these concepts will guide the faculty and students in reaching the program outcomes. Nursing is an art and a science and applying clinical judgment with caring is a major component of safe, competent, patient-centered nursing care.

## BASIC QUALIFICATIONS

- ▶ 18 years of age or older
- ▶ Possess a valid high school diploma or have attained a GED equivalency certificate
- ▶ Possess a valid licensed practical nursing license in the state of Ohio
- ▶ Provide an official transcript from the licensed practical nursing program they completed
- ▶ Provide proof of employment as an LPN for a minimum of 750 hours
- ▶ Provide all official high school and post-secondary transcripts to the Vantage Career Center Enrollment Coordinator
- ▶ Certified in Basic Life Support for Health Care Providers (CPR)

## KEY INFORMATION

**Duration:** Duration: 984 Clock Hours  
Completed in 18 months

**Dates:** Begins every even year

### Class

**Schedule:** Class is held one evening a week from 4-10 pm

Clinical experiences occur one day per week

Financial Assistance to those who qualify:

- Federal Aid – Pell & FSEOG Grants, Direct Student Loans
- VA Educational Benefits
- Ohio Means Jobs- Contact your local OMJ to see if you qualify.

# POLICE ACADEMY

Police Academy provides students with training required by the Ohio Peace Officers Training Commission (OPOTC) to pursue a career in law enforcement. Police Academy has been serving Van Wert and surrounding communities since 1994.

Program consists of training in these areas: Firearms, Patrol, Investigation, Administration, Human Relations, Prisoner Booking & Handling, Traffic Enforcement, Legal, Civil Disorders, First Aid, Driving, Unarmed Self-Defense, O.C Pepper Spray, ASP Baton, Resume Writing, Homeland Security, & Physical Conditioning.

## BASIC QUALIFICATIONS

Must be 18 years of age and have a valid driver's license and possess a high school diploma or its equivalent. Applicants will be required to submit and pass a drug screen and a physical conditioning pre-test. Class size is limited.

Training is under the direction of a State of Ohio approved Academy Commander. Successful candidates will receive a certificate of completion and take the State of Ohio Exam. Passing the state exam entitles graduates to be certified by the State of Ohio Peace Officer Training Commission (OPOTC).

To explore this career visit <http://www.onetonline.org/link/summary/33-3051.01>  
(O\*NET Online is created for the U.S. Department of Labor)

## KEY INFORMATION

**Duration:** 737 Clock Hours

**Dates:** Begins every Fall

### Class

**Schedule:** Mondays through Thursdays  
6:00 pm - 10:00 pm  
plus most Saturdays

Financial Assistance to those who qualify:

- Federal Aid – Pell & FSEOG Grants, Direct Student Loans
- VA Educational Benefits

## EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN (EMT)

The pre-hospital career path of an Emergency Medical Technician is an ever changing and growing one in today's Emergency Medical Services environment. Whether you choose to serve your community in a volunteer capacity, or choose this path as a profession, the opportunities are many. The Basic EMT

program, is the first step, on this pathway. The Emergency Medical Technician course is a 150-hour long program that will provide you with the necessary knowledge and skill set to function on an ambulance in the capacity of a Basic EMT, or in any other facility that employs the skills of Basic EMT personnel.

Contact Vantage Career Center for upcoming classes • 419-238-5411, Option 2



# FIREFIGHTER I



## KEY INFORMATION

**Duration:** Minimum 160 Clock Hours plus 16 hours for EVOC and 8 hours for basic first-aid/CPR if necessary

**Class Schedule:** Classes will meet Tue. & Thur. each week from 6:00 pm to 10:00 pm and most Saturdays

Firefighters continue to be in high demand, especially in rural/volunteer areas. Seventy percent of firefighters in the United States are Volunteers. These training courses will prepare individuals to serve their local communities, as well as provide a solid foundation to further their training as career/paid firefighters. Firefighter Program currently offers Firefighter I. The Firefighter I class is a minimum of 160 hours. The Firefighter I classes require that students complete an Emergency Vehicle Operations Course (EVOC) of 16 hours and a basic first-aid/CPR class of 8 hours to obtain their final certification. Contact us if interested. Students who have completed an EVOC course within one year of the start date of the Firefighter class and have a certificate will be excused during that portion. Students who possess a current Emergency Medical Technician certification will be excused from the basic first-aid/CPR portion. Students who complete these classes will receive a certificate and are eligible to take the Ohio Department of Public Safety Division of Emergency Medical Services certification exam for the appropriate level of Firefighter.

## BASIC QUALIFICATIONS

Must be 18 years of age, except that a chartered fire training program may admit a student who is 17 years old provided that the student has graduated or is enrolled in the twelfth (12th) or final grade in a secondary school program. Applicants shall have not been convicted of any of the following: (1) any felony; (2) a misdemeanor committed in the course of practice; (3) a misdemeanor involving moral turpitude. Applicants shall have not committed fraud, misrepresentation, or material deception in applying for or obtaining a certificate issued under section 4765.55 of the Ohio Revised Code and Chapter 4765-20 of the Ohio Administrative Code. Will need to complete a background check. Firefighter I applicants must obtain an NFPA 1582 compliant physical. All applicants must complete the ICS 100 and National Incident Management (NIMS) 700 course prior to start of class.

## BASIC QUALIFICATIONS FOR EMT

ORC 4765-7 (20) Shall allow a student who is at least 17 years old, who is enrolled in the twelfth or final grade in a secondary school program and who otherwise meets the requirements for admission into the EMS training program to be admitted and to complete the emergency medical training program.

Upon successful completion of the EMS training program, and after having successfully passed and received certification from The National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians, students can then apply for a certificate to practice in the State of Ohio.

EMS certifications are issued by the State Board of Emergency Medical, Fire, and Transportation Services through the Ohio Department of Public Safety, Division of Emergency Medical Services. In accordance with section 4765.55 of the Ohio Revised Code.



# STNA & CONTINUING EDUCATION FOR HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS

## STATE TESTED NURSING ASSISTANT (STNA)

This course offers 80 hours of training including 16 hours of clinical experience in a long-term care facility. Students completing the program are eligible to take the state test for long-term care nursing assistants. Students will need the following before clinicals: a two-step Mantoux test from the Health Department or your doctor's office (prior test must have been given within the last 6 months), comfortable black shoes (cannot be open-toed or open heeled), and t-shirt (included in tuition). Students need a valid picture ID plus their SS card (not just the number) to be presented at first day of class and at testing.

***Clinical hours held on Fridays. Mantoux tests take two weeks, please start before classes begin.***

## BASIC LIFE SUPPORT HEALTHCARE WORKERS (6 HRS)

This course is designed for healthcare professionals and other personnel who need to know how to perform CPR and other basic cardiovascular life support skills in a wide variety of in-facility and prehospital settings. The CPR course teaches American Heart Association Basic Life Support for healthcare providers, which is ideal for professions such as LPNs, professional rescuers and lifeguards. This course includes one-man CPR, two-man CPR, infant and child CPR, bag mask breathing and AED training.

## PHLEBOTOMY

This certificate program provides students with 100 total hours of training held in both the classroom at Vantage Career Center and in local healthcare facilities. During this career training program, students will be given the opportunity to learn how to draw blood from individuals. The student will also learn the processing and distribution of the laboratory specimens. Also, during the program, you will learn safety standouts, quality control procedures along with ethical, legal and regulatory matters.

Successful graduates are those who have completed 100 total hours of training including 100 successful venipunctures. Vantage Career Center will issue a certificate of completion. Students will then be eligible to sit for the National Healthcare association (NHA) Certification Exam.

Financial Assistance to those who qualify:

- VA Educational Benefits
- Ohio Means Jobs- Contact your local OMJ Office to see if you qualify.

**Class Schedule:** Contact Vantage Career Center at 419-238-5411, Option 2, for upcoming class schedules.





# EXPAND YOUR KNOWLEDGE & ACHIEVE YOUR CAREER GOALS

## **CPR ADULT, INFANT AND CHILD, AED & FIRST AID (8 HOURS WITH 30 MINUTE LUNCH)**

This is a combined course with First Aid in the morning and CPR in the afternoon. Both the CPR & First Aid course meets state requirements for childcare workers and providers. The required form for participant's records will be provided.

## **CHILD ABUSE SEMINAR (6 HRS)**

This seminar will cover the definitions of child abuse, deal with the emotional aspects of child abuse, physical and behavioral indicators of child abuse and neglect victims, how to report abuse/neglect, and penalty for failing to report. This seminar meets all requirements needed for certifications by the Department of Ohio Education and Department of Human Services for childcare workers and providers.

## **CHILD ABUSE REFRESHER (3 HRS)**

If the six-hour seminar has been taken within the last three years, only the refresher course is needed to renew certification.

## **COMMUNICABLE DISEASE SEMINAR (6 HRS)**

This seminar meets all requirements for certification by the Department of Job and Family Services for childcare workers and providers.

## **COMMUNICABLE DISEASE REFRESHER (3 HRS)**

If the six-hour seminar has been taken in the last three years, only the refresher course is needed to renew certification.

**Class Schedule:** Contact Vantage Career Center at 419-238-5411, Option 2, for upcoming class schedules.



# TRADE & INDUSTRY

## WELDING

This class will expose learners to shop safety, common welding and cutting processes, blueprint reading, welding symbols, and thermal cutting practices. Students with welding experience will be able to select a welding process for hands-on practice to prepare for an AWS Welding Certification test.

## CLASS SCHEDULES

Contact Vantage Career Center at 419-238-5411, Option 2, for upcoming class schedules.

Financial Assistance to those who qualify:  
Ohio Means Jobs – Contact your local Ohio Means Jobs office to see if you qualify

## WELDING CERTIFICATIONS

Vantage Career Center is an Accredited Test Facility for the American Welding Society. With this accreditation we can test, and upon satisfactory completion, grant American Welding Society (AWS) certifications. These certifications are nationally recognized by employers and prove the individual possesses fundamental welding skills and knowledge. AWS tests must be scheduled in advance. Tests and pricing information is listed below.



### BEGINNING WELDING

An introduction to welding using both oxyacetylene flame and electric arc. Course includes shop safety, fusion of metals, identification of electrodes and equipment set up. Practice in running beads on flat, horizontal surfaces and joints included.

### INTERMEDIATE WELDING

Develop skills with further training and practice with gas and arc on vertical and overhead welding. Increase skills with brazing and cutting. TIG and MIG may be included along with Heli arc welding in all positions.

### ADVANCED WELDING

Participants will identify and concentrate on particular welding skills, identifying certifications they wish to achieve and directing efforts and practice towards enhancing and perfecting these skills in a safety-focused, instructor led lab.

GTAW-ST 3F & 4F T-Joints	<b>\$365</b>
GTAW-AL 3F T-Joint and 4F Butt Joint	<b>\$365</b>
SMAW API-1104 Pipe Welding 2G & 5G positions with restrictions	<b>\$415</b>
SMAW E7018 3G & 4G Heavy 1" plate test for ALL positions	<b>\$435</b>
GMAW 2G Heavy 1" plate test for ALL positions	<b>\$365</b>
GMAW-P 3G & 4G Heavy 1" plate test for ALL positions	<b>\$365</b>
GMAW-S 4F Butt Joint on galvanized sheet metal	<b>\$215</b>
FCAW 3G & 4G Heavy 1" plate test for ALL positions	<b>\$365</b>

## FORKLIFT SAFETY

This course covers training, testing, and driving of the forklift truck. Operator license will be issued upon satisfactory completion. Meets OSHA requirements.

# CDL PROGRAM

Truck Drivers are in high demand. According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, employment of truck drivers is projected to grow 5% from 2019-2029. Faster than the average for all occupations.

This 200 hour program will give students the knowledge and skills necessary to take the licensing exam for a class "A" Commercial Driver's License (CDL). Students will receive 50 hours of theoretical training and 150 hours of hands on training.



## ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- ▶ Minimum age of 18
- ▶ Hold a valid driver's license
- ▶ Pass a Department of Transportation physical
- ▶ Pass a Drug Screen
- ▶ No more than 6 points on current driver's license
- ▶ No DUI/DWI or Reckless Operation citation within the last 3 years
- ▶ No drug-related felonies

NOTE: Those under the age of 21 may obtain an intrastate CDL only.

## KEY INFORMATION

**Duration:** 200 Clock Hours: 6 weeks, 7hrs a day 8 am-4 pm with an hour lunch

## CLASS SCHEDULES

Contact Vantage Career Center at 419-238-5411, Option 2, for upcoming class schedules.

Financial Assistance to those who qualify:

- VA Educational Benefits for Veterans who qualify. Contact the Financial Aid Office.
- Ohio Means Jobs – Contact your local Ohio Means Jobs office to see if you qualify.

## EXPAND YOUR KNOWLEDGE & ACHIEVE YOUR CAREER GOALS

# AGRICULTURE FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT & CAREER SERVICES

## COMPUTERIZED ACCOUNTING FOR FARMERS

Financial records are very important for farmers. Not only are they necessary for the IRS, but for farmers to make decisions on what enterprises are the most profitable. Vantage Career Center offers a computer program (The Agricultural Business System TABS) that can perform these functions accurately. TABS will be loaded on your computer so that you have accurate records at your fingertips. You do not need to know accounting to use it. You have unlimited instruction at your farm office the first year. After that, phone assistance is free and farm office visits are available. TABS provides 1040F tax reports, balance sheets for lenders, bank reconciliation, depreciation, and payroll with all payroll reports including W-2s. TABS is being used by nearly 100 farmers in the area.

**COST:** **\$350 for installation and first year support. Yearly support varies as to farm office location and services desired. Similar programs cost \$1,000 to \$2,000.**

## CAREER ASSESSMENT SERVICES & CLASSES

The Assessment Center at Vantage Career Center is an authorized test administration facility for a number of career-related certificates and credentials. Our assessment services provide potential students and other test candidates the opportunity to complete a variety of exams through vendors such as Pearson VUE™, Certipoint, Castle/Scantron, and others, in a comfortable, local environment.

WorkKeys® assessment results can assist students, educators and industries by identifying skills needed for success in adult career-technical training or workplace settings. Performance on the WorkKeys® may also qualify the individual for the National Career Readiness Certificate (NCRC), an industry-recognized credential based on documented benchmarks and skills.

**WorkKeys®**

Schedule an Appointment: Prospective students interested in Vantage adult programs may call (419) 238-5411 Option 2 for more enrollment information and to schedule an appointment.

**COST:** Re-testing fee is \$25 per section. For other individuals or employers requiring WorkKeys® assessments/credentials the cost is \$75.

## ONLINE COURSES

Through our partner Ed2go we offer a wide variety of classes and programs you can take entirely online.  
<https://www.ed2go.com/vantage>



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| ▶ Accounting and Finance | ▶ Law and Legal               | ▶ Hospitality and Service Industry |
| ▶ Business               | ▶ Personal Development        | ▶ Skilled Trades and Industrial    |
| ▶ College Readiness      | ▶ Healthcare and Fitness      | ▶ Sustainable Energy and Going     |
| ▶ Computer Applications  | ▶ Business and Professional   | ▶ Green Teaching and Education     |
| ▶ Design and Composition | ▶ IT and Software Development | ▶ Technology                       |
| ▶ Healthcare and Medical | ▶ Management and Corporate    | ▶ Writing and Publishing           |
| ▶ Language and Arts      | ▶ Media and Design            |                                    |

Requirements: All courses require Internet access, email, and Netscape Navigator or Internet Explorer. Some courses may have additional requirements. Please review online course syllabus for details. Unless otherwise specified, courses begin every month and are about six weeks in length.

These offerings are not accredited by the Council on Occupational Education and do not qualify for Title IV financial aid assistance.

# CUSTOMIZED TRAINING FOR BUSINESS & INDUSTRY

The Vantage RAMTEC® Center can help local business and industry with “upskill” options for current employees at a reasonable cost and close to home with excellent training equipment and outstanding facilities. The vision of the RAMTEC® Robotics & Advanced Manufacturing Technology Education Collaborative is to address the skills gap by preparing high school and adult students with advanced manufacturing and engineering skills.

Vantage Career Center can provide training in many advanced manufacturing skills such as:

- ▶ Industrial Electricity and Electronics
- ▶ Programmable Logic Controllers (PLC)
- ▶ CNC Operations
- ▶ Welding
- ▶ Manufacturing Computer Applications
- ▶ Industrial Maintenance
- ▶ Hydraulics

## RAMTEC®

**Have more than 3 employees interested in a class and prefer to take it at Vantage Career Center or at your location with an instructor? Call the Adult Education Director for a customized business training quote.**



**UPSKILL  
YOUR EMPLOYEES**

Machining | Robotics | Electricity | CNC  
Blueprint Reading | Welding | CDL

**WE ARE AN OFFICIAL OHIO  
TECHCRED PROVIDER**

# ASPIRE, GED, & ADULT DIPLOMA PROGRAM



## ASPIRE IS A FREE PROGRAM

To get a good job today, you need basic academic and workforce skills. Aspire is a FREE program for anyone 16 years old and over in the community. Aspire classes are a stepping stone to transition to the next chapter in life. Refresh your basic academic skills in reading, math, or language to help earn your GED® or Ohio High School Equivalence, enter a skills training program at Vantage Career Center, obtain a job, and/or retain your current job.

Aspire students are required to attend an orientation for entry into their program. Students ages 16-18 must pre-register for orientation. Decide which location you prefer, then call the Aspire Coordinator at 419-998-2956, to register for orientation.

Van Wert County Site:	
Vantage Career Center 818 North Franklin Street, Van Wert, Ohio 45891 419-238-5411 Aspire Classes meet Monday and Wednesday 9:00 am - 12:00 pm	Aspire Medical Prep Classes meet Monday and Wednesday 9:00 am - 12:00 pm
Mercer County Site:	Paulding County Site:
Celina - Ed Complex 585 East Livingston Street, Celina, OH 45822 Aspire Classes meet Tuesday and Thursday 9:00 am-12:00 pm	Paulding - Ohio Means Job Center 250 Dooley Dr #B, Paulding, OH 45879 Aspire Classes meet Tuesday and Thursday 12:00 pm - 3:00 pm

## NEED YOUR HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA?

**What are the benefits?**

- Certification
- High School Diploma

**Have you ever wondered how your life could be different with your high school diploma?**

**If you are 20 years of age or older and still need your high school diploma (not a GED), Vantage Career Center can help!**

**THE BEST PART IS THAT IT IS ABSOLUTELY FREE.**

These offerings are not accredited by the Council on Occupational Education and do not qualify for Title IV financial aid assistance.



# FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

APPLYING FOR FEDERAL FINANCIAL AID IS FREE.

## TYPES OF AID AVAILABLE FOR THOSE WHO QUALIFY

### FEDERAL GRANTS: PELL & FEDERAL SUPPLEMENTAL EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY GRANT

The federal government provides grants for students attending college or career school. Most types of grants, unlike loans, are sources of free money that generally do not have to be repaid. Pell and FSEOG grants are awarded to students based on financial need and who have not earned a bachelor's, graduate, or professional degree. The amount you get will depend on your expected family contribution (EFC) determined from the FAFSA, your cost of attendance, and the number of clock hours in your specific program. To apply, complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA®). Vantage Career Center's Federal School Code is 030956.

### FEDERAL STUDENT LOANS: DIRECT SUBSIDIZED & UNSUBSIDIZED LOANS

Direct Subsidized Loans are loans made to eligible students who demonstrate financial need. The government usually pays your interest while you are enrolled at least half-time in school plus the six month grace period or deferment periods.

Direct Unsubsidized Loans are not based on financial need. Interest begins accruing on this type of loan immediately when disbursed by the school.

The financial aid office will determine loan amounts based on dependency status, program length and cost of attendance for your specific program. To apply, complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA®). Vantage Career Center Federal School Code is 030956. A loan is money you borrow and must pay back with interest.

### FEDERAL PARENT LOAN: DIRECT PLUS LOANS

The parent(s) of a dependent student may borrow a Federal PLUS Loan provided the student is otherwise eligible for aid. PLUS Loans are unsubsidized so parent borrowers are responsible for accruing interest from the date of loan origination. Additional requirements and the Parent PLUS Loan application can be found at [studentaid.gov](http://studentaid.gov).

### VETERAN'S EDUCATIONAL BENEFITS (VA)

Available for qualified veterans or dependents of a veteran to use towards tuition expenses for approved programs. To find out if you qualify for VA Educational Benefits, contact the VA at 1-888-442-4551 or online at [www.gibill.va.gov](http://www.gibill.va.gov).

### OPPORTUNITIES FOR OHIOANS WITH DISABILITIES (OOD)

This agency may be able to provide funding for individuals with disabilities. To see if you qualify, call 1-800-589-5811 or visit their website at [www.ood.ohio.gov](http://www.ood.ohio.gov).

### SCHOLARSHIPS

Robert Brandt Scholarship is available to any Vantage Career high school graduate.

Vantage Career Center Scholarships are available for Vantage high school students who just graduated from high school the prior year.

Details and applications are available on the Vantage Career Center website under the financial aid page.

### OHIO MEANS JOBS/JOB & FAMILY SERVICES

This agency can potentially provide funding through various sources for underemployed, single parents, economically disadvantaged, dislocated workers, and other special needs individuals. Contact the office where you live for further information.

**Allen County**

419-999-0360

**Auglaize County**

567-242-2750

**Hancock County**

419-422-0182

**Hardin County**

419-674-2312

**Mercer County**

419-586-6409

**Paulding County**

419-399-3345

**Putnam County**

567-376-3777

**Van Wert County**

419-623-4437

**Contact the Financial Aid Office at 419-238-5411, ext. 2110**

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