Criminial Justice Technology now Offered at Middle Creek!

Middle Creek is excited to announce that the following **Criminal Justice Technology** curriculum will be offered ON CAMPUS for 2016-17 through the North Carolina Career & College Promise Program.

What is Career & College Promise?

High school students in North Carolina can get a head start on college – *for free!* **Career and College Promise, or CCP**, allows eligible high school students to take college courses at local community colleges. It's sometimes referred to as **dual enrollment**. Next year, Wake Tech is making one of their program areas available on the Middle Creek Campus, **CRIMINAL JUSTICE TECHNOLOGY.** It is a part of the College Transfer Pathway. The **College Transfer Pathway (CT)** leads to credit hours that count toward a two-year associate's degree at Wake Tech and align with course requirements at UNC member institutions.

HOW IT WORKS

1. Interested students should pick up, complete the Wake Tech Application form and WCPSS Dual Enrollment forms from Middle Creek Student Services, and **return them by June 30, 2016.**
2. Students will need to let Mrs. Gillespie know which class they would like to drop from their previous registration.
3. During the semester, a Wake Technical Community College (WTCC) instructor will meet with students in a Middle Creek classroom to teach the classes in this program. The classes are during fourth block, on Monday & Wednesdays OR Tuesdays and Thursdays.
4. This class is a hybrid class which means they will meet on campus during their assigned time the first nine weeks and have web assignments as well. The second class which will take place the second nine weeks will be delivered completely online. The instructor will still have office hours on campus during the entire semester.
5. On days that the students are not in class they would leave campus (early release.) They will have passes given to them at the beginning of the school year.
6. *Students will take two CCP classes during each semester that they sign up for this program. They could also take two classes the next semester if they so desire, however this is not a requirement to take a class.*
7. *If students enroll in this program their junior year, they will have the opportunity to take Criminal Justice Technology their senior year for free under the Career and College Promise Program.*

ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible for enrollment, a high school student must:
1. Be a junior or senior;
2. Have a weighted GPA of 3.0 on high school courses or have the principal's recommendation; and
3. Meet the prerequisites of the career pathway.

More About Criminal Justice Technology

Crime-solving techniques and procedures have expanded and evolved significantly. Professionals in the field now recognize the importance of combining crime scene analysis, physical evidence, witnesses, and records for successful criminal investigations. Today, crimes are most often solved through teamwork, using a system that depends on advanced investigative skills and the ability to properly process crime scenes by identifying, collecting, and preserving all relevant physical evidence and information.

Numerous cases, both routine and high-profile, have demonstrated the harsh reality that despite current technologies and specialized training, the effectiveness of crime scene investigation is only as good as the "Top First Response Unit." The preservation, collection, and processing of crime scene information is only as sound as the system that supports those activities. Conditional evidence may be present, and subsequent movement on the scene can easily alter that evidence.

Wake Tech's Criminal Justice program emphasizes latent evidence: fingerprint classification, identification and chemical development; photography; footwear and tire track identification; and crime scene processing. Additional study areas may include juvenile justice, NC criminal law, constitutional law, court procedure and evidence, substance abuse, ethics and community relations, and Computer Assisted Design (CAD) programs in crime scene technology.

Students may complete an Associate Degree in Applied Science at Wake Tech and may transfer to several four-year colleges or universities.

Credit Hours

*Courses in **bold** would be offered in fall*. Courses in *italics* are offered in the Spring. Courses indicated with an asterisk * could be taking the following school year at Wake Tech to complete the Intro to Law Enforcement Certificate.

CJC 111 Intro to Criminal Justice... 3

CJC 112 Criminology.. 3

CJC 113 Juvenile Justice... 3

CJC 121 Law Enforcement Operations 3*

CJC 131 Criminal Law 3

CJC 132 Court Procedure and Evidence................................... 3*

If you have questions, contact Tara Gillespie, the Dean of Student Services at tgillespie2@wcpss.net or Mrs. Sharon Smith, the Career Development Coordinator @ ssmith7@wcpss.net.

We anticipate enrollment in these classes will fill up quickly.