WELDING TRAINING LAB

AT MADISON HIGH SCHOOL

EXPANDING WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT TRAINING FOR SOMERSET COUNTY STUDENTS & ADULT LEARNERS
The Somerset Career & Technical Center (SCTC) is expanding its welding program to meet the needs of students in Somerset County. Currently the Welding Program, housed at Cianbro, serves 12 students, with 18 more on the waiting list.

With grant money becoming available, David Dorr, Director of SCTC reached out to area schools to secure space. It was determined that Madison High School's former metal shop would be a good fit.

While the school districts are able to cover the costs of ongoing operations in their budgets, the costs of construction, amounting to $330,000, will be covered through fundraising and grants.

Benefits of the Expansion:

- Employers in Somerset County, and across Maine, have needs for welding skills.
- Ability to serve more students in the program, and meet the growing demand for the program.
- The Welding Lab will not only reduce waitlists for SCTC students but the program is committed to serving adult learners in the coming years.

“EVERY YEAR WE HAVE A WAITING LIST, AND THIS YEAR WE HAD A WAITING LIST OF ABOUT 14 OR 18 KIDS. I CALLED AND TRIED TO FIGURE OUT A WAY TO MAKE THAT WORK AT CIANBRO, AND WE COULDN'T FIGURE IT OUT.”

-DAVID DORR (SCTC DIRECTOR)
The National Center of Construction Education and Research (NCCER) provides the curriculum students follow as they learn different types of welding techniques. The program can be either a one-year or two-year program depending on the student’s interest and ambitions. In addition to the Cianbro Welding Certifications, students also earn the OSHA 10 Safety Certification.

**BUDGET:**

- A/E Services: $35,600
- Demolition: $2,800
- Construct Welding Booths: $42,900
- Openings: $8,500
- Finishes: $36,800
- Mechanical: $42,500
- Electrical: $119,500
- Sitework: $40,400

"Work force development is the key to the economic health of our communities. Programs like this will put students in a better position to succeed in life. It will also allow employers to more easily find and quickly employ young, local, and talented help - and retain them in our area."

-Sam Hight (Hight Family of Dealerships)
Somerset Career & Technical Center (SCTC) is one of 27 CTE centers and regions in Maine, united in integrating academics and technical skills to better prepare each student to move into his or her appropriate position in the 21st Century. What started as two vocational courses, Carpentry and Automotive Technology, has expanded over time to include the following programs: Automotive Technology, Certified Nursing Assistant, Culinary Arts, Digital Graphic Design, Early Childhood Education, Electrical Construction, EMT (Emergency Medical Technician), Outdoors Leadership and Skills, Pre-Engineering, Residential Construction and Welding Technology. The Center provides programs for students of school districts located in Somerset County. These school districts are: SAD #13, serving the towns of Bingham, Carratunk, Moscow, The Forks Plantation, West Forks Plantation; SAD #53, serving towns of Pittsfield, Burnham, Detroit; SAD #54, serving the towns of Skowhegan, Canaan, Cornville, Mercer, Norridgewock, Smithfield; SAD #59, serving the towns of Athens, Brighton Plantation, Madison, Starks; SAD #74, serving the towns of Anson, Embden, New Portland, North Anson, and Solon.

Cianbro has been a great resource to determine facility needs, has prepared a scope of work with estimated budget and has offered to assist in build of welding units and equipment.

JMG (Jobs for Maine's Graduates) has made a financial commitment and has dedicated personnel to this initiative as JMG and SCTC continue to partner to assist students as they attain skills and credentials to pursue meaningful careers.

A group of local leaders and educators is actively fundraising for the financial support needed to complete the project. The goal is for the construction to begin in April of 2021 with classes to start in the Fall of 2021.

As with all SCTC programs, success will be measured through graduation rates, program completion rates, certifications completed, work placement, and continued education after graduation.

Thank you for your interest in investing in the future of the Somerset County workforce.
WHAT THE STUDENTS SAY

“I LIKE COMING TO THIS PROGRAM BECAUSE I AM MORE OF A HANDS ON LEARNER AND BECAUSE I GET A SENSE OF FULFILLMENT WHEN I DO GOOD QUALITY WORK. I HOPE TO GET AS MANY CERTIFICATIONS AS I CAN BY THE TIME I GRADUATE. I AM GOING TO USM AFTER I GRADUATE AND MIGHT DECIDE TO WORK AS A WELDER PART TIME WHILE I’M IN SCHOOL.”
-JOSEPH CURTIS-HAMILTON

“I LIKE COMING TO THIS PROGRAM BECAUSE OF THE EXPERIENCE THAT IT HAS GIVEN ME. WELDING EXPERIENCE IS GOING TO HELP ME WITH MY RESUME AND HOPEFULLY HELP ME AS A HEAVY EQUIPMENT OPERATOR AFTER HIGH SCHOOL.”
-ETHAN KNOX

“SCTC PROGRAM HAS ALLOWED ME TO HAVE A CAREER AT CIANBRO AND MAKE A DECENT LIVING. WITHOUT THIS PROGRAM IT WOULDN’T HAVE PREPARED ME FOR THE WORK FORCE.”
-ZACHARY ERVING
**SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES**

- **Diamond** $50,000
- **Platinum** $25,000
- **Gold** $20,000
- **Silver** $15,000
- **Copper** $10,000
- **Booth** $5,000
- **Bronze** $2,500
- **Community** $1,000
- **Friend** $500

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Please email a high-resolution vector and jpeg file of your company logo to: ddorr@msad54.org

Your Sponsorship Commitment form can be mailed, emailed, or pick-up arrangements can be made!

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