Our School
Blackstone Valley Tech (BVT) is a four-year regional vocational technical high school with an enrollment of 1,230 students who have chosen to learn in an atmosphere that is relevant to their interests, aptitudes, and strengths. Technical education in the vocational areas goes hand in hand with rigorous academic programming, outstanding extracurricular activities, and a dynamic athletic program.

BVT provides an exciting and rewarding career education option for students in the towns of Bellingham, Blackstone, Douglas, Grafton, Hopedale, Mendon, Milford, Millbury, Millville, Northbridge, Sutton, Upton, and Uxbridge. Our school offers 18 vocational technical programs and a challenging academic curriculum, as well as a post-secondary program.

- Automotive Collision Repair & Refinishing
- Automotive Technology
- Business & Entrepreneurship
- Construction Technology
- Cosmetology
- Culinary Arts
- Dental Assisting
- Drafting & Design Technology
- Electrical
- Electronics & Engineering Technology
- Engineering & Robotics
- Health Services
- Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning & Refrigeration
- Information Technology
- Advanced Manufacturing & Fabrication
- Multimedia Communications
- Painting & Design Technology
- Plumbing
- Practical Nursing Program (Post-Secondary)

Our Administration
Dr. Michael F. Fitzpatrick
Superintendent-Director
Anthony E. Steele II
Assistant Superintendent-Director/Principal
Matthew Urquhart & Kathryn Ruzanski
Assistant Principals
Cyra Hathaway, Matthew Connors & Thomas Belland
Vocational Directors
Edward Evans
Academic Curriculum Coordinator
Yvette Whitesell
Director of Student Services
Michele Denise
Director of Student Life

Our Mission
We create a positive learning community that prepares students for personal and professional success in an internationally competitive society through a fusion of rigorous vocational, technical, and academic skills.

Our Community
With an educated workforce steeped in a history of invention and business success, the historic Blackstone Valley region offers the community an exceptional quality of life. The Blackstone Valley is located at the intersection of rail, road, and air travel networks, which makes it the ideal region for business partnerships. There are numerous top-level colleges and universities, and four major cities — Boston, Providence, Worcester, and Hartford — within an hour’s drive of our campus. This puts our students within reach of leaders in business, technology, medicine, and the arts.

Graduation Requirements
- 4 Years – Vocational Technical Program 32 credits
- 2 Years – Related 2 credits
- 4 Years – English 8 credits
- 4 Years – Math 8 credits
- 3 Years – Science 6 credits
- 3 Years – Social Studies 6 credits
- Additional Elective Credits 3 credits
- Enrichment Courses 3 credits

Minimum academic and shop credits required for graduation is 68 credits. Passing grade is a final average of 60 or greater.

Grading System

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If a student receives a failing grade, no credit is earned for the course.
Advanced Placement Program
BVT offers the following Advanced Placement Courses:
- AP Biology
- AP Calculus AB
- AP Chemistry
- AP English Language & Composition
- AP English Literature & Composition
- AP Physics I Algebra
- AP Spanish Language & Culture*
- AP U.S. History

* Offered only to students in the Honors Immersion Spanish Program.

Honors Program
BVT offers 21 honors courses at all grade levels including English, Science, and History. There are also honors courses in Mathematics and Immersion Spanish offered to freshmen through junior year.

GPA & Class Rank
Our GPA and Class Rank are calculated using a system of levels and credits.

- AP Courses – Level 1: Elevate a grade average by 20 points
- Honors Courses – Level 2: Elevate a grade average by 15 points
- College Preparatory Courses – Level 3: Elevate a grade average by 10 points
- Mainstream Courses – Level 4: Elevate a grade average by 5 points
- Courses with Modified Curriculum/Performance Expectations – Level 5: Elevate a grade average by 0 points

Levels do not affect the grade published on a student's report card or transcript; they simply assist in calculating class rank for a diverse student population.

MCAS Results – Class of 2019
- Scored Advanced/Proficient in English Language Arts: 99%
- Scored Advanced/Proficient in Mathematics: 90%
- Scored Advanced/Proficient in Science: 94%

Cooperative Education
Our Cooperative Education Program provides students with an employment opportunity in an industry that is directly related to the vocation in which the student has been trained. Eligible students can join the program starting in the third trimester of their junior year. Students participating in this program work rotating weeks according to the school calendar.

Athletics
Alpine Downhill Skiing
Baseball
Boys & Girls Basketball
Boys & Girls Lacrosse
Boys & Girls Soccer
Boys & Girls Volleyball
Cheerleading
Cross Country
Field Hockey
Football
Golf
Ice Hockey
Softball
Track & Field

Club & Activities
A Cappella Chorus
Art Club
Arts & Humanities
Aviation Club
Bass Fishing
Class Officers
Coding Club
DECA
Drama Club
Fashion Club
FIRST Robotics
Friends of Rachel
Gaming Club
GSA
Helping Hands
Homecoming
Humanities Scholars
Jazz Band
LEO Club
Math Team
Martial Arts Club
Model United Nations
Motor Sports Club
Movie Club
Multicultural Club
National Honor Society
National Technical Honor Society
Honors Society
SEA Club
Ski & Snowboard Club
SkillsUSA
Spiritual Study Club
Student Ambassadors
Student Council
Yearbook

Enrollment
- Class of 2019: 302
- Class of 2020: 309
- Class of 2021: 308
- Class of 2022: 311

Postsecondary Placement – Class of 2018
- 80.4% 4 Year College/Tech College
- 6.1% 2 Year College/Certification Program
- 5.7% Apprenticeship Program
- 6.4% Employment
- 1.4% Military

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