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CTE Signature STEM program removes barriers

Students choose the career path they want, and the district helps them get there



[Everett, WA] — The Career and Technical Education (CTE) department at Everett Public Schools (EPS) is changing the standard high school model to fit the needs of our changing world with the creation of the Signature STEM program. This program removes the barrier of a student's home school by providing transportation for those who would like to pursue courses in specific career paths offered at only one high school, giving equitably accessible to all students across the district.

This model is already set with the Naval Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps (NJROTC) program, allowing students from all four EPS high schools to travel to Everett High School for their NJROTC courses and a few others, before traveling back to their home school by

the end of the school day. This will be duplicated in the 2024-25 school year for the newly updated Health and Medical Careers program, also housed at Everett High School, and the Engineering and Advanced Manufacturing Program, housed at Cascade High School with more programs being added in future years.

Programs in development include the CISCO Networking Academy, Culinary Arts and more.

EPS is working to ensure students are aware of these programs early enough to begin planning their pathway through high school by coordinating with school counselors.

Anthony Anderson, director of STEM partnerships, physical education, health career and technical education and choice programs says, "Everett Public Schools feels we must prepare students for life after graduation. Where students don't just walk across the stage, but they walk into a pathway of their choice for post-secondary accomplishments." The CTE Signature STEM program ensures students graduate with a career path in mind and gives them skills and knowledge for success.

Visit www.everettsd.org/CTESignatureSTEM for more details.

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