

# Earn your GED & learn a skill at Wilson Tech



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for youths  
out-of-  
school  
(ages 17-20)



Equivalent Attendance Services is a program of Wilson Technological Center which is the career and technical education division of Western Suffolk BOCES.

**Equivalent Attendance Services**

# Equivalent Attendance Services at Tech

- Available for youth ages 17 to 20 who are not enrolled in school.
- No cost to the student. Districts will be billed at an hourly rate only for those hours the student attends. The service is eligible for state aid.
- Transportation is available to those who qualify.

## Here's What Tech Offers

### **ABE/GED**

ABE/GED classes are based upon the individual needs of the students. Basic skills are reinforced through Adult Basic Education (ABE) classes in preparation for the General Equivalency Diploma (GED).

### **English as a Second Language (ESL)**

ESL classes help non-English speaking students improve their English language skills. Emphasis is on understanding, speaking, reading, and writing English. Citizenship education is also included.

### **Career & Technical Education**

Wilson Tech offers 31 career and technical programs in the general areas of Construction, Graphics and Media, Health, Service and Transportation. These programs provide hands-on learning opportunities that prepare students to compete successfully in the job market.

### **Parenting Program**

Parenting classes assist parents to become full partners in their child's education. As parents participate in ABE/GED classes and learn how

young children develop, they improve their parenting skills and become role models that increase the children's desire to learn. The program supports young parents as the child's first and most important teacher.

### **Child Care Center**

To help young parents complete their high school education and prepare for a career, a fully-licensed child care facility is located at Tech's Dix Hills campus for children 6 weeks to five years of age.

### **School-to-Work Preparation**

The Community Education Employment Center (CEEC) at Tech helps out-of-school youth prepare for the GED exam and learn a skill. Students pursue academic classes for half a day and a career and technical program for the other half. Students can also take advantage of Tech's many support services including counseling, interest inventories, career selection, and resumé building to prepare for productive roles in the work force or post-secondary education.

### **Career Counseling**

Through its Adult Career Center, Tech provides several types of counseling that support students from the time they enter Tech until their personal goals and objectives are achieved and they are ready to enter the work force.

### **Job Placement**

The Job Placement office at Tech assists students in finding an appropriate job. Vocational testing helps participants assess their skills and define career goals. Workshops then help these young adults learn how to write a resume, search for a job, and prepare for an interview.