

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

Students who attend LPV Career and Technical Education Center have the opportunity to participate in student organizations that will augment their career/vocational technical educational experience. Through participation in student organizations aligned with career/vocational technical programs students enhance their skill sets in teamwork, leadership, and citizenship. All of these organizations have college and alumni associations in which students can continue their affiliations. LPV Career TEC is proud to sponsor the following student organizations:

Business Professionals of America (BPA) – Medical Office Technology

Business Professionals of America is a national student organization with chapter managed by the Medical Office Technology program. This organization is dedicated to providing opportunities for students to develop leadership, communication, and business skills. Students participate in leadership training programs and compete in events dealing with business communications, computer applications, information technology, business management, and financial management.

Distributive Education Clubs of America (DECA) – Fashion Technology

The Fashion Technology program participates in the LPV Career TEC DECA Chapter. DECA is a nationally recognized high school student association for students whose course of studies includes marketing, management and entrepreneurship, business, finance, hospitality, and marketing sales and services. Student learns to develop leadership, communication, and business skills. Students participate in leadership training programs in the fall at various locations in the in Massachusetts and compete in marketing events in the spring at the district, state and international levels. All DECA competitions are based on industry performance indicators.

Future Farmers of America (FFA) – Landscaping Technology/Horticulture

FFA is a national career/vocational technical student organization for students studying in the agriculture cluster. Students in Landscaping Technology/Horticulture program sustain a school chapter and participate in a variety of competitions at the state level. Upon their return from the annual conference in March there is much anticipation regarding outcomes and medalists. FFA activities include officer training for local and state officers, leadership, and competitive career development events for all members at the local, state, regional, and national level, and community service.

Skills USA - Total Participation Plan School

Skills USA is a national student organization for students enrolled in technical, skilled, and service career/vocational technical programs including health occupations. LPV Career TEC Skills USA Chapter is proud to be a total participating school in which all students are eligible to participate in Skills USA programs and competitions. Activities include officer training for chapter and state officers, leadership and employability skills development conferences, local, district and state competitive events. LPV Career TEC has had many medal winners at both the state and district events.

The major emphasis of Skills USA focuses on the development of essential employability, participative and attitude development skills as called for in the U.S. Department of Labor's Secretary's Commission on Achieving Necessary Skills (SCANS) Report. All LPV Career TEC programs complement the curriculum with the Skills USA Professional Development Program (PDP). The PDP is aligned with the Massachusetts Vocational Technical Education Frameworks and the School to Work Opportunities Act.