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Pathways in Technology Early College High School (P-TECH) Program

P-TECH schools are innovative grade 9 to 14 public schools that create clear pathways from high school to college and career for young people from all academic backgrounds. In six years or less, students graduate with a high school diploma and a no-cost, two-year associate degree. Each P-TECH school works with industry partners and a local community college to ensure an up-to-date curriculum that is academically rigorous and economically relevant. The program also includes one-on-one mentoring, workplace visits and skills instruction, paid summer internships and first-in-line consideration for job openings with a school's partnering company.



In January 2016, Governor Hogan announced the launch of Pathways in Technology Early College High School (P-TECH) in Maryland, with the planning grants for six (6) new P-TECH schools. Local school systems partnered with community colleges and local businesses to provide a clear pathway from high school to college and careers. Through the 2016 initiative P-TECH pilot sites were established in Baltimore City Public School, Allegany Public Schools and Prince George's County Public Schools. More information on Maryland's P-TECH Pilot sites can be found [here](#).

The P-TECH Act of 2017 supports the expansion of the program in Maryland through a competitive grant process administrated by MSDE. For FY 2018, the General Assembly has appropriated funds to support six (6) new P-TECH schools. Planning grants of up to \$100,000 each will be awarded to partnerships of local school systems, Maryland community colleges, and specific industry partners through a competitive grant process. The FY 2018 P-TECH Planning Grant Request for Proposals can be found at:
<http://www.marylandpublicschools.org/about/Pages/Grants/index.aspx>

For more information on P-TECH Schools, please visit www.ptech.org. For more information on Maryland's Career and Technology Education programs, please visit: www.mdctepgrams.org. For more information about Maryland P-TECH, contact Nina Roa MSDE

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