

## How Windham-ECO Works?

- ⇒ **INDIVIDUALIZED PATHWAYS** based on students' needs and interests.
- ⇒ **ACADEMIC SUPPORT** to get ready for advanced classes.
- ⇒ **ACCESS TO OTHER HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES**, such as sports, band and music, arts, etc.
- ⇒ **A FAST-TRACK** by taking college classes during the summer program.
- ⇒ **ACADEMIC ADVISING** to select high school and college classes.
- ⇒ **FIELD TRIPS** to see and experience how modern manufacturing works.
- ⇒ **A MANUFACTURING LAB** at the Windham High School to practice hands-on manufacturing skills.
- ⇒ **INTERACTIVE ACTIVITIES** to learn about teamwork, leadership, critical thinking and problem solving, professionalism, and communication, among others.
- ⇒ **COLLEGE CLASSES** during the school year in the regular schedule.

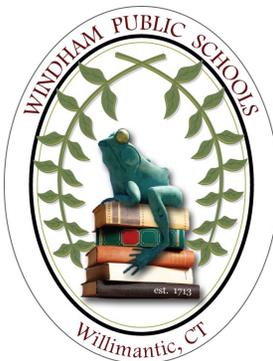
For More Information

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Electric Boat



Windham High School is proud to work with these Education and industry partners to offer college and career opportunities to Windham students



**Because Every Student  
Deserves a Bright Future  
with access to college and career**



**WINDHAM EARLY COLLEGE  
OPPORTUNITY PROGRAM**

## What is Windham-ECO?

Windham-ECO is a 4-6 year program available to students entering 9<sup>th</sup> grade at the Windham High School. W-ECO is designed for students who want to pursue an exciting and successful career.

By being part and completing W-ECO Program, students:

- ⇒ Earn an Associate Degree at no out of pocket cost.
- ⇒ Participate in a paid internship.
- ⇒ Are first in line for jobs at Electric Boat or other manufacturing companies.
- ⇒ Are part of a unique and exciting class where students acquire the specific skills that companies need.
- ⇒ Have a mentor from the industry who provides support while in the program.



ECO-Class of 2021 on a field trip at Quinebaug Valley Community College

## What Majors Does Windham-ECO Offer?

### Lean Manufacturing & Supply Chain Management

Students who select this pathway learn how to manage different processes of a company and how to make them more efficient. This major is a perfect fit for students who like technology and want to continue to a Bachelor's degree after finishing Windham-ECO. Students will be able to transfer 100% of the credits to Central Connecticut State University (within the area of technology studies). With other state colleges and universities, this major has a high transferability rate.

### Manufacturing Principles

This major has been design for students who enjoy hands-on learning. Students are trained on a range of skills needed, not only for manufacturing, but also for design, architecture, and other fields. Students who choose this major will have the opportunity to go into the workforce right after finishing ECO in positions earning \$55,000 annually.

## Why Manufacturing?

Manufacturing methods are changing, and so are the jobs and the skills that are needed. Manufacturers are adopting very sophisticated technology, such as nanotechnology and 3D printers. This new technology has created new types of exciting jobs in the manufacturing industry. Besides, manufacturing companies have a wide range of responsibilities and activities that support the production process without being on the production floor.

Manufacturing is a growing industry in our state, especially in Eastern Connecticut. Companies in this field offer competitive salaries and benefits, as well as great opportunities for career development and ongoing education.



ECO student and her mentor during the internship at Electric Boat in the summer of 2018

## Apply to Windham-ECO

Applicants must fill the application form and return it to the Guidance Department of their school (Charles H. Barrows or Windham Middle School) or to the ECO Coordination at Windham High School.