



# UNION COUNTY VOCATIONAL - TECHNICAL SCHOOLS

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**Mr. Peter A. Capodice**  
**Superintendent of Schools**

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*Message from the Superintendent:*

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome you all back for the 2016-2017 school year.

There has been some exciting new developments on campus this summer. First is the opening of a new school operating out of West Hall, the Union County Career and Technical Institute (UCCTI). This new high school was established to serve all of our shared time and transition student programs. UC Tech High School from this point forward will strictly service the full time academies currently housed in West Hall.

You will notice some renovations on campus. In Mancuso Hall, we are converting the multi-media center into a Makers Space. Also, in West Hall, we are converting a section of the greenhouse for use by the Academy for Sustainable Sciences.

This years' edition of *Newsweek's* "America's Top High Schools 2016", again recognized all of our District schools as top performers, all ranked within the top 500 in the country. The *Newsweek* National rankings are as follows:

<u>School</u>	<u>Newsweek's National Rank</u>
<i>Magnet High School</i>	<i>4</i>
<i>Academy for Allied Health Sciences</i>	<i>21</i>
<i>Academy for Information Technology</i>	<i>23</i>
<i>UC Tech High School</i>	<i>189</i>
<i>Academy for Performing Arts</i>	<i>203</i>

These are impressive rankings and we as a community should be proud of our accomplishments. Our students, staff and administrators should be congratulated for their efforts.

On behalf of the Board of Education and our administrators, I wish all our students and staff another highly successful school year!

Sincerely,

Peter A. Capodice  
Superintendent of Schools