

**MASSACHUSETTS ASSOCIATION OF VOCATIONAL ADMINISTRATORS**  
AND  
**MASSACHUSETTS CAREER & TECHNICAL EDUCATORS ORGANIZATION**

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Dear Superintendent/Director:

It is with great pleasure that we announce the presentation of the 37<sup>th</sup> Annual Outstanding Vocational Technical Student Award. This award recognizes those students whose scholastic and vocational technical achievements have significantly contributed to their local district and thus, to the vocational technical education delivery system in the Commonwealth.

The outstanding student nominee from each high school will be honored at a statewide dinner on Thursday, April 13, 2023. This program will be held at Mechanics Hall, Worcester (321 Main Street). Guests should arrive by 5:30 p.m. and dinner will be served promptly at 6:00 p.m.

Each superintendent/director should nominate one outstanding vocational technical student from his/her respective school. The nominee should exemplify the ideals and leadership qualities that proudly represent vocational technical and agricultural education in the 21<sup>st</sup> century. Each superintendent/director will determine the method/process for selecting the student nominee in his/her school.

In the event that you will NOT be nominating a student, please email Keith Segalla, OVS Event Coordinator at [KSegalla@mava.us](mailto:KSegalla@mava.us) by February 3, 2023, indicating that your school will not be participating this year.

**Procedures:**

- 1) Conduct your nomination and final selection process as soon as possible. The Outstanding Vocational Technical Student Award 2023 Registration link is:  
[https://www.cognitofrms.com/MAVA1/\\_2023OutstandingVocationalTechnicalStudentAwardNominee](https://www.cognitofrms.com/MAVA1/_2023OutstandingVocationalTechnicalStudentAwardNominee)
- 2) The Outstanding Vocational Technical Student Award 2023 Registration consists of four elements, including *Nominee Information, Parent/Guardian Information, Nominee Requirements, and Seating, Photos, and Payment.*
- 3) Payment for the Outstanding Vocational Technical Student Awards Dinner must be received by MAVA no later than February 3, 2023. Checks should be made payable to MAVA ~ Massachusetts Association of Vocational Administrators and mailed to Jeanne Rayner, MAVA Bookkeeper, 85 Pine Street, Needham MA 02492.

This event truly celebrates and honors the achievements of our outstanding vocational technical students. Thank you for your cooperation and participation in this very significant awards program.

Sincerely,

Dr. Andrew Linkenhoker  
MAVA President

Brian Cummings  
MassCTE Executive Director

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MAVA Executive Director