



REGIONAL OCCUPATIONAL CENTER

2018-2019



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MESSAGE FROM PRINCIPAL

The ROC is the career training school for the Kern High School District (KHSD). The ROC offers 30 high-quality career-training programs in a variety of industry sectors. All programs are founded on partnerships with industry and postsecondary education schools. Program curriculum is designed to both meet the demands of industry and help prepare students for postsecondary education.

Enrolling in a ROC program is a great way for high school students to start focusing in on a career path. The ROC will ensure that students learn both the technical skills and career readiness skills that will help prepare them for college and career. The majority of the ROC programs are A-G approved by the University of California for their academic rigor and many also offer college credit through dual enrollment or articulation. All programs provide students with the opportunity to earn industry-recognized certifications which will help students become more employable when they start their careers. All programs also offer a variety of work-based learning opportunities such as field trips, guest speakers from industry, and internship opportunities.

Every year we see hundreds of students complete a ROC program and take advantage of the opportunities that are provided to them at ROC. These students go on to do amazing things and are some of the leaders in our community. This year will be no different and we look forward to helping our students develop into young professionals.

*Sincerely,
Brian Miller
Principal*

Transportation Information

Bussing: The majority of students who attend ROC ride the bus. ROC busses pick up students at their home school bus loading zone and transport them to and from ROC each day. Bus schedules can be found on the KHSD website under the "Resources" tab at www.kernhigh.org. Please check your bus schedule the day before school starts and make sure you are at the bus-loading zone on time.

Parent Drop-Off: Parents may drop students off at ROC by turning in either Gate 2 or Gate 4 off of South Mount Vernon Ave. Please stay out of the bus-loading zone.

Student Drivers: Students may transport themselves to ROC, but they must have a signed "Student Self-Transportation Agreement" on file in the ROC office. Students will receive those on the first day of school or they can be found on the ROC website at roc.kernhigh.org by clicking on the "Resources" tab and then on "Student/Parent Handbook." Student parking can be found by turning in Gate 2 or Gate 4 off of South Mount Vernon.

Attendance Procedures

ROC students are expected to have regular attendance. The number one reason employees lose their jobs according to our business partners is due to a poor attendance record (poor being defined as more than one absence per month). Due to the nature of the ROC activities, it is important that students attend every day. Parents must call the ROC office or bring a note to clear their student's attendance within 72 hours of the absence or it will be marked as a cut.

First Day of School Procedures

ROC students enrolled in an AM class should arrive to ROC no later than 7:25 in order to get to class by the 7:30 start time. Morning students will be released early at 9:00 on the first day so that they will have time to get back to their home schools early to pick up their schedules. Busses will follow this schedule on the first day.

ROC students enrolled in a PM class should arrive at ROC by 11:40 in order to get to class by the 11:45 start time. Many students will need to leave one of their classes at their home school early in order to get to ROC on time. Students should bring the enclosed letter that has their schedule on it to show their home school teacher and staff so that they can leave class early. The PM session will end at the normal time of 2:45 on the first day.

ROC Facts

In 2018...

- 97% of ROC seniors graduated high school
- 865 ROC students earned industry certifications
- 455 ROC students completed an internship
- 93% of ROC students recommended that students should take a ROC program

In 2017...

- 76% of ROC students continued on to post-secondary education
- 56% of those students were continuing their education in a program they started at ROC

ROC Opportunities

ROC provides students with many opportunities. The more that students get involved and take advantage of these opportunities the more successful they are going to be. Some of those opportunities are:

- ROC Student Ambassadors
- Internships
- Scholarship Programs
- Field Trips
- Program Clubs
- Earn College Credit
- Earn Industry Certifications



Stay Connected



There are many ways to stay connected with what is going on at ROC. We have a comprehensive website at roc.kernhigh.org that has lots of detailed information about ROC. On the website you can also find our "Parent/Student Handbook" which we recommend all students and parents read through. You can also follow us on the following social media sites:



@ROC_NOW



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Partnering with ROC

We are always looking to add new business partners. Business partners lend us their expertise and knowledge in their field, which is a critical component of all the ROC programs. There are a variety of ways that business partners can be involved such as guest speaking, hosting an industry tour, serving on an advisory committee, supervising a student intern, or volunteering at one of our industry related events. If you are interested in partnering with the ROC please contact any one of our Recruitment & Career Technicians by calling the ROC office at 661-831-3327 or emailing them at:

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