

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

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Dear Superintendent, Director, and Principal:

It is with great pleasure that we announce the presentation of the 38th 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 11, 2024. 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 21st 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 by January 5, 2024, 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 2024 Registration link is:
[2024 Outstanding Vocational Technical Student Award Nominee \(cognitofirms.com\)](https://cognitofirms.com)
- 2) The Outstanding Vocational Technical Student Award 2024 Application consists of four elements, including *Nominee Information, Parent/Guardian Information, Nominee Requirements, and Seating, Photos, and Payment*. **Application deadline is February 2, 2024.**
- 3) Payment for the Outstanding Vocational Technical Student Awards Dinner must be received by MAVA no later than March 8, 2024. 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. Heidi Riccio
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