## Juvenile Justice Reentry Education Program: Opening Doors to College and Careers through Career and Technical Education

## **Project Abstract**

## School District of Philadelphia Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

The School District of Philadelphia (SDP) will implement the Open to Opportunities in Career and Technical Education (OOCTE) project to serve court-involved youth residing in a county prison and a municipal detention center in Philadelphia. The project will be delivered in the Pennypack House School operating in the county prison and in the Philadelphia Juvenile Justice Services Center School operating in the detention center. SDP intends to serve an estimated 825 students over a three-year period.

The Career and Technical Education (CTE) programs to be offered include Introduction to Green Technology, Network Cabling-Fiber Optics/Copper-based Systems, Introduction to Telecommunications and Technology, Introduction to Home Entertainment (Audio Video), and Energy Management Systems. All CTE instruction will be delivered via C-Tech curriculum modules that offer a combination of online instruction and hands on learning.

Support services include guidance and career counseling, workforce readiness training, mentoring, and transition services designed to ensure informed placement of students into SDP CTE programs when they reenter their communities post-release.

## Project partners include:

- School District of Philadelphia;
- The Philadelphia Youth Network;
- The Philadelphia Department of Human Services--Juvenile Justice Services;
- The Philadelphia District Attorney's Office--Juvenile Division;
- The Community College of Philadelphia; and
- Other partnering and support organizations.