

# SONOMA VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL AGRITECHNOLOGY ACADEMY

The SVHS Sustainable Agriculture Academy has a new name for the 2018-19 academic year! It will now include all of our Agriculture offerings, as well as reflect our focus on new technologies as the **AgriTechnology Academy!** Between fascinating integrated farm

plan projects to great field trips to job shadows with many different ag-related businesses to summer internships, the

Academy students experience an integrated approach to focusing on a particular aspect of agriculture curriculum. Last year included field trips to Chico State, Butte College, New Clairvaux, Benziger and Bartholomew Park Wineries, SRJC and the Shone Farm.



## AGRITECHNOLOGY ACADEMY

9TH GRADE

SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE

AGRI SCIENCE PATHWAY

AG MECHANICS PATHWAY

10TH GRADE

SOIL CHEMISTRY &/OR  
VITICULTURE & ENVIR. SCIENCE

POWER MECHANICS

11TH OR  
12TH GRADE

ADVANCED AGRISCIENCE

BEG. WELDING TECHNOLOGY  
ADV. WELDING TECHNOLOGY

## Why be part of an Academy?

- 3-Year specialized curriculum
- Career exploration
- Field trips to colleges & worksites
- Guest speakers
- Job shadows & internships
- BECOME NAFTTrack Certified

Several of America's top companies have committed to NAFTTrack Certified Hiring, a promise to give special consideration to college students and eventual job applicants who earned the NAFTTrack Certification in High School.

## The Benefits

- Pre-interview and resume support
- Guaranteed interviews in equally qualified applicant pools
- Potentially expedited advancement in the hiring process
- Priority hiring among equally qualified applicant pools
- Potential for higher starting salaries
- Applicant feedback and coaching post interview



## Future Farmers of America

All Academy Students are members of FFA and compete and excel in competitions at the local, regional and state level. These competitions include speech, vine-pruning, Supervised Agricultural Experiences (SAE) projects, which include raising both livestock and vegetables, and other related activities.



## THE SUSTAINABLE AG TEAM

### Teachers:

- Felicia Rush (Team Lead)
- Karling Skoglund
- Dan Aschwanden
- Nico Saldana

### Administration:

- Aaron Gildengorin
  - VP/Academy Director
- Wendy Swanson
  - Work-Based Learning Coordinator

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