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## **Base and Vo-Tech Partnership Remains Strong** **Ocean County Vo-Tech School to host Career Fair at** **NAVAIR Lakehurst**

15 May 2003 – The 10<sup>th</sup> annual Career Fair sponsored by NAVAIR Lakehurst and the Ocean County Vocational Technical School (OCVTS) will be held on May 16, 2003 from 9:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. in historic Hangar One on the base.

Over 80 representatives of area companies and educational institutions will have booths at the fair. Several hundred eight and ninth grade students from over a dozen Ocean County elementary and middle schools are expected to attend the fair.

The long-term partnership between the base and the school has been a model of success for both institutions. OCVTS has had the opportunity to utilize extensive space, facilities and expertise from the base, while Lakehurst has had an excellent tenant that helps share in some of the operating costs of the facility. Both organizations have also partnered to utilize the talents of Lakehurst's precision heavy machinery artisans to train many OCVTS students, who in turn have had the opportunity to later compete for employment at the base.

For more information about the Career Fair contact the fair coordinator, Debbie Meinders, of the McAuliffe Middle School, Jackson Township, at 732-833-4701, ext 7112.

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