what is evit?

The East Valley Institute of Technology is a public school system that offers advanced career training at three campuses: the Dr. A. Keith Crandell (Main) Campus and the East Campus, both in Mesa, and at Apache Junction High School. Plans are in development to create a fourth centralized campus in Fountain Hills.

High school students and adults who live in 10 East Valley school districts – Mesa, Scottsdale, Tempe, Chandler, Gilbert, Apache Junction, Fountain Hills, Higley, Queen Creek and J.O. Combs – come to these “centralized” campuses for 2 ½ to 4 hours of career training each day. It’s the best of both worlds as high school students spend a half-day at their high school and a half-day at EVIT, with the school districts providing transportation to the campuses.

EVIT offers over 40 different programs including Culinary Arts, Welding, Automotive, a variety of Health Care specialties, Cosmetology, Aviation, Fashion & Interior Design, Firefighting and much more. These programs are tuition-free for high school students. Adult programs charge tuition, with financial aid available to those who qualify. Nearly every EVIT program leads to a professional, industry license or credential. Several of EVIT’s adult programs include paid apprenticeships. All EVIT programs – high school and adult – provide hands-on training through lab experiences, job shadowing or internships.

The EVIT JTED also provides funding to its 10 member school districts so that they can offer career training classes in their high schools too. But unlike those schools, EVIT Main and East campuses are all career training all the time. There are no sports, no cheerleaders, no band, no drama club, no lecture-only academic classes. Students who attend EVIT Main and EVIT East often say they prefer training in this environment because they are surrounded every day by students and instructors who share their focus and passion for a particular career or industry.

EVIT students have a 98% high school graduation rate – more than 20 percentage points higher than the state average – and 2 out of 3 go on to college. In fact, many EVIT students are training for jobs they can get right out of high school to help pay for college. Within one year of completing their EVIT training, 85% are in jobs and/or college or the military.

You really have to see EVIT in person to understand all that the centralized campuses have to offer. Check with your high school counselor to see when your school is offering a field trip tour to EVIT, or stop by on Tuesdays at 1 p.m. for one of the public tours.

You’ll see for yourself why TIME magazine called EVIT “learning that works.”

REGISTER TODAY!

Want to enroll? You have several options:

1. Online at www.evit.com/admissions
2. At your high school counselor’s office
3. By visiting the high school or adult education admissions offices at the EVIT Main Campus, 1601 W. Main St., Mesa

Need more information? Visit www.evit.com/requestinfo, call (480) 461-4000, or text EVIT to 90210.

You’ll find a complete list of programs at www.evit.com.
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Construction Technologies
Cosmetology
Culinary Arts & Commercial Baking
Dental Careers
Diesel Technologies
Digital Device Diagnostic and Repair
Digital Photography
Early Childhood Education & Education Professions
Electrical Power Technician (Adults Only)
Emergency Medical Technician
Fashion, Interiors & Textiles
Fire Science Academy
Future Engineers - East Campus Only
Graphic Design
Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning (HVAC)
Human Anatomy & Physiology for Medical Careers (MC10)
Information Technology & Engineering Careers (iTEC)
Introduction to Multimedia Technologies
Law Enforcement
Practical Nursing (Adults Only)
Precision Machining
Massage Therapy
Medical Assistant
Nursing Assistant
Pharmacy Technician
Physical Therapy Technician
George Brazil School of Plumbing
Radio/Audio Production
Robotics Engineering
Solar Maintenance and Installation Technician-PV (Adults Only)
Sterile Processing (Adults Only)
Surgical Technologist (Adults Only)
Surveyor Assistant (Adults Only)
Veterinary Assistant - East Campus Only
Video Production
Web Design
Welding
“EVIT just set me up to be far ahead of other students.”
Joey Liberatore
EVIT Radio/Audio Production ‘16

“I really like EVIT because pretty much everybody here wants to be here. It’s something they chose.”
Terah Thielen
EVIT Dental Careers ‘16

“EVIT has been a good alternative. They make it so accessible. Everyone wants me to succeed. I have no reason to fail.”
Jackie Escobedo
EVIT Surgical Technologist ‘16
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Each year, thousands of people tour the East Valley Institute of Technology’s Dr. A. Keith Crandell (Main) Campus.

Built on what was once the University of Arizona’s experimental research farm, the 65-acre campus is located on the METRO light rail line and features more than 17 buildings, the EVIT Fire Science Academy fire tower, 88.7FM The Pulse radio station, a restaurant – Bistro 13 – which is operated by the nationally-accredited EVIT Culinary Arts & Commercial Baking programs, millions of dollars in state-of-the-art equipment and technology, and a staff of teachers recruited from Valley business and industry. In 2016, Landings Credit Union opened a branch at the Main Campus, where Banking students learn about the finance industry while serving the public.

The Main Campus attracts visitors, especially educators from all over the nation, who want to create their own version of EVIT. Public tours are given on Tuesdays; call (480) 461-4000 for more information. Schools that want to tour the Main Campus should call (480) 461-4153. Text EVIT to 90210.
Building 1 is the heart of the EVIT Main Campus. Step inside and you'll immediately feel the energetic beat of 88.7FM The Pulse, EVIT's student-operated radio station. In state-of-the-art studios, Radio/Audio Production students learn live sound and audio production, on-air performance, and much more. Stop by and you're likely to see students doing on-air interviews and local bands performing in the recording studios.

The Video Production program is home to one of the largest training studios in Arizona and the place where students learn all aspects of visual media production. Multimedia Technologies students learn typography, photography and more as they design materials and websites. Multimedia also includes separate Photography, Graphic Design and Web Design programs.

3D Animation students learn storyboarding, animation and video game design. See students engaged in the inner workings of electronics in the computer technology programs: Information Technology & Engineering Careers (iTEC), Cisco Networking Academy, Computer Programming & Mobile App Design, and Digital Device Diagnostic & Repair.

Building 1 is also home to the Law Enforcement program, where students learn about crime scene investigations, tactical operations and more. This program stresses physical training and a militaristic style, so you will often see Law Enforcement students training outside as well.

Creativity reigns at the east end of Building 1, where the Fashion, Interiors and Textiles program is located. The rooms that focus on interior design have been painted and designed by the students. And the fashion side features mannequins, sewing machines and truly gifted artists who often go on to top design schools such as FIDM and the Pratt Institute.

On the first floor of Building 1, you'll find the Information Desk and EVIT Center for Career Advancement, which serves as a registration and counseling hub for high school students and adults. Adult Education at EVIT offers career training in Collision Repair; Cosmetology; Plumbing; Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning & Refrigeration (HVACR); Practical Nursing; Precision Machining & Manufacturing Technology; Solar Maintenance and Installation Technician-PV; Sterile Processing Technician; Surgical Technology and Welding. Adults also have the opportunity to participate in paid apprenticeship programs in Welding, Surveyor Assistant, Electrical, Heavy Equipment/Diesel, Plumbing and HVACR. Most adult education programs are held at night, but many of EVIT's high school programs also offer a limited number of seats for adults who can attend during the day.

Culinary Arts and Commercial Baking in Building 2 is one of the most visited places on the EVIT Main Campus. Students gain experience by working special functions in the banquet hall. But the real action takes place in the “back of the house,” where the
students explore their passion for cooking and baking with the guidance of professional chefs. EVIT Culinary Arts and Commercial Baking programs are nationally accredited by the American Culinary Federation Education Foundation.

**B3** The brick barn-shaped building attached to Building 3 actually was a functioning barn years ago when the University of Arizona research farm was housed there. Today, it is where EVIT’s elected governing board meets the second Tuesday of every month. This building also is where students pay fees and where visitors can find EVIT Superintendent Dr. Sally Downey.

**B4** The playground equipment outside of Building 4 tips off visitors to what they’ll find inside: Early Childhood Education students working with children in Bright Ideas Preschool. Partner Bright Ideas provides an on-site lab school where students gain experience in classroom management and discipline techniques while learning how to interact with young children.

**B6, B7, B8** If you like to build things, solve problems and work with power tools and machinery, then Buildings 6, 7 and 8 are must-see stops on your EVIT Main Campus tour. Precision Machining students and Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning students are training for two of the most in-demand occupations today: the machinist and the HVAC technician. Precision Machining includes course work in Robotics Engineering. Construction Technologies students learn a range of skills, from electrical wiring and plumbing to roofing, blueprint reading and more, while Welding students learn basic metal fabrication and entry level welding techniques in a program that has paid internships and an excellent record of placing students in jobs. Also in Building 7 is the George Brazil School of Plumbing.

**B8, B9, B10** If you’re in to cars & trucks, you have to check out EVIT’s Diesel, Automotive and Collision Repair programs in Buildings 8, 9 and 10. Featuring the latest heavy equipment, auto repair and maintenance technology, these programs are taught by nationally-certified instructors. Students practice skills on industry-provided late-model automobiles and participate in internships and job shadowing.

**B11** No visit to EVIT’s Main Campus is complete without a stop at Building 11 – home to the EVIT Fire Science Academy, an auto bay with donated fire trucks, a training tower, and ropes course. You may see the students putting out a car or house fire or rappelling off the tower.

**B12** Building 12 houses a branch of Landings Credit Union, where students in the Banking program work...
alongside credit union staff. It’s also home to the **EVIT Barbering School**, where students learn the fundamentals of barbering, massage and skin care, perm weaving, shaving and stropping and more.

**B13** Just east of the campus, **Bistro 13** opened in August 2014. Featuring global cuisine, this restaurant is operated by students in the **Culinary Arts & Commercial Baking** programs. Bistro 13 is housed in a former Fazoli’s restaurant building that was renovated by EVIT’s Interior Design, HVAC, Construction and Welding students.

**B14, B15** Do you like helping others? Enjoy science? You’ll experience both at the **EVIT School of Health Sciences** in Buildings 14 and 15 on the Main Campus, where students can train for a range of health occupations. The complex includes an ambulance bay and an operating room. Located next-door, partner **Adelante Healthcare** offers EVIT’s health students the opportunity to gain clinical experience as well. EVIT’s health programs include: **Dental Careers**; **Behavior, Mental & Social Health Services** (East Campus); **Emergency Medical Technician**; **Human Anatomy & Physiology for Medical Careers**; **Massage Therapy**; **Medical Assistant**; **Nursing Assistant**; **Pharmacy Technician**; **Physical Therapy Technician**; **Veterinary Assistant** (East Campus); **Practical Nursing** (Adult Education), **Surgical Technologist** (Adult Education), and **Sterile Processing Technician** (Adult Education).

**B16** Building 16 on the Main Campus’ west side was renovated into the modern, spa-like **EVIT Academy of Cosmetic Arts** in 2015-16. It houses **Cosmetology** and **Aesthetics**, a popular cosmetology specialty in which students learn techniques for skin analysis, facials and more. The EVIT Academy of Cosmetic Arts is one of the best education deals anywhere. It’s tuition-free for high school students; the same training can cost $25,000 and higher at private beauty schools.

**B17** One of the most fascinating stops on any EVIT tour is Building 17 – **The Great Globe** lab. Under the direction of engineer Bryan Beaulieu, The Great Globe is a project to build a 42-story replica of the Earth as a tourist attraction in south-central Arizona. In Beaulieu’s lab, EVIT students have helped create millions of 3D tiles that will cover the globe and kits that have been sent out to schoolchildren around the world so that they can also create tiles.
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Jackie Escobedo completed the Surgical Technologist program at age 47. “I can’t believe that I have been able to do this, especially being at my age,” she said. “It’s within reach if you work hard and put your mind to it.”

Programs for adults are growing at EVIT as state budget cuts drive up the cost of a college education and industry demand for skilled workers rises in Arizona.

In 2015, the Legislature cut $99 million in state funding to Arizona’s universities. The Arizona Board of Regents followed that by hiking tuition by 3 to 4 percent at Arizona State University, Northern Arizona University and University of Arizona. Meanwhile, projections from the Arizona Department of Administration show that by 2020 employment in jobs requiring an associate degree or post-secondary credential will increase by about 20 percent.

Adult career and technical education programs offer students training that is often faster and less expensive than college, while providing them with the skills and credentials to get a job.

“At the community college, it’s the same prep, but I would have had to take college pre-requisites … and then be on a wait list,” Escobedo said of surgical technology training. “I didn’t have time for that.” At EVIT she was able to get into the one-year surgical tech program immediately.

EVIT’s adult students pay tuition at rates that are competitive with community colleges and other post-secondary schools. Financial aid is available for those who qualify, including Pell grants, which EVIT can offer because its adult programs are accredited by the Commission of the Council on Occupational Education.

In addition to adult evening classes, Adult Education at EVIT also offers a limited number of seats in EVIT’s daytime high school programs. Adults over the age of 18 enrolling in a high school program must obtain a DPS Fingerprint Clearance Card prior to starting class.

And, new in 2016, Adult Education at EVIT has partnered with the Arizona Builders Alliance to offer several paid apprenticeship programs. Apprentice students work at Valley businesses during the week and take their training at EVIT a couple of nights a week. They get the training they need to gain an industry credential – and a paycheck at the same time! As of this publication, apprenticeships were being offered in Welding, Surveyor Assistant, Electrical, Heavy Equipment/Diesel, Plumbing, and HVACR – with development of additional apprenticeships under way.

For more information about Adult Education at EVIT, call the adult admissions office at (480) 461-4013.
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east campus
In August 2011, the East Valley Institute of Technology expanded to open the East Campus at 6625 S. Power Road in Mesa. Located next-door to ASU Polytechnic, EVIT East offers Cosmetology, several health programs, and four EVIT programs that are exclusive to the East Campus – Aviation, Veterinary Assistant, Future Engineers, and new in 2016, Behavioral, Mental & Social Health Services. EVIT East is the only Arizona high school to offer a pre-college engineering program based on the stellar curriculum developed by Southern Methodist University in Texas.

The 10-acre campus has grown to more than 1,000 students, but still retains a small-school feel with the entire staff pitching in to help with fundraisers, events and other day-to-day activities. And with the vet program housed there, East receives frequent visits from dogs, cats, guinea pigs, rabbits, and even horses. Text EVIT to 90210.
The Aviation program is exclusive to the East Campus, where students are building a plane in the aviation lab in Building 1 and learning about the world of flight through lectures and hands-on activities, including the use of simulators and drones, in Building 2. Aviation students also work on plane engines and have the opportunity to earn college credit.

Building 2 at EVIT East is also home to the Future Engineers program, which leads students through the exploration of topics such as thermodynamics, robotics, electricity, chemistry, solar power, biomechanics, environmental engineering and much more. Future Engineers, in partnership with ASU Polytechnic and based on curriculum from Southern Methodist University, is for students who want to major in engineering in college.

Building 2 also houses one of EVIT’s oldest programs and one of its newest – Cosmetology and Behavior, Mental & Social Health Services. Tuition-free and very successful over the years in preparing students for state licensing exams, Cosmo has no shortage of students at either campus. And, like a similar event at the Main Campus, the annual hair show has become a highlight of the school year at East. New in 2016-17, the Behavior, Mental & Social Health Services program leads to certification for job opportunities such as case manager, family advocate, respite worker or paraprofessional counselor.

In Building 3, it’s hard to tell who enjoys the Veterinary Assistant program more – the students or the dogs, cats and other pets who frequent the campus to provide a hands-on learning experience. Students in this program learn a range of medical knowledge and get the opportunity to participate in job shadowing and internships at local shelters, animal practices and wildlife facilities.

Building 3 is a busy place, also housing three other growing health-care programs – Medical Assistant, Nursing Assistant, and Human Anatomy & Physiology for Medical Careers – and the campus student lounge.
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98% high school graduation rate

85% placement in jobs, college or military

2 out of 3 go on to college

Over $2.5 million in scholarships earned -- Class of 2016

Career and College Prep

Over 200 hours dual enrollment college credit. State/national licensing & certifications

Simply the Best

A+ School of Excellence
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“There’s simply no way I would have been as successful as I was without EVIT. A typical high school education just simply doesn’t prepare you for the reality of work ... EVIT helped me become accustomed to this reality and practice this before plunging into the 24/7 type of education that art school provides.”

– Landry Low
EVIT Fashion, Interiors & Textiles ’11, Pratt Institute Graduate Fashion Designer, landrylow.com, New York

“EVIT gives students a great choice for numerous careers and they can come right out of high school with the skills to be successful.”

– Kelli Albertson
mother of Kayli Albertson, EVIT Emergency Medical Technician ’16

“Okland is a strong supporter of this type of training since it fosters advanced skills that can be immediately applied upon the students’ hire in the workforce.”

– Bill Okland
President of Okland Construction

“EVIT was a huge stepping stone in my path to success... Having the skills and knowledge that I learned at EVIT made it easy for my transition into another culinary school... I was striving to another level where most had not yet begun because the university was their first step.”

– Gabriel Garfio
EVIT Culinary Arts ’11, Johnson & Wales University Graduate Executive Chef/Owner of Sunnyside Breakfast Lounge, Mesa

“Students are actively engaged in authentic & real world learning.”

“This school serves such a meaningful purpose that resonates with students & parents profoundly.”

“EVIT has created and nurtured a significant investment & trust from the business community.”

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Every day at EVIT, we change lives. We impact the world.

We motivate and mentor. Encourage and challenge. Support and serve. We lead.

We ignite and stoke a passion. In the builders. The artists. The caregivers. The engineers. And so much more.

We create an environment where learning isn’t learning – unless you do it. Work it. Live it. Every day.

We empower each student to follow their own unique path. Toward college and career. Toward apprenticeship and entrepreneurship. Toward life.

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