

Trade School Future. "Tech Schools, Trade Schools and Vocational Schools in PA."  
*TradeSchoolgrants.com*, [www.tradeschoolgrants.com/mechanic-schools/pennsylvania/](http://www.tradeschoolgrants.com/mechanic-schools/pennsylvania/).  
Accessed 23 Jan. 2023.

This website houses numerous sources of information as far as mechanics go. I was trying to figure out whether or not one needs a degree or license in order to become a mechanic. And it turns out that you don't in fact need one. However, many jobs require a license as it simply looks better. If a person were to choose to go down the path of no schooling and avoid paying \$30,000 - \$50,000 a year. They'd likely start out at the bottom and have to work their way up making less than \$50,000 per year. Overall its beneficial to go to school to become a mechanic.

Center for Employment Training. "What Does It Take to Start a Career as an Auto Mechanic?"  
*CTWEB*,  
[cetweb.edu/what-does-it-take-to-start-a-career-as-an-auto-mechanic/](http://cetweb.edu/what-does-it-take-to-start-a-career-as-an-auto-mechanic/). Accessed 23 Jan. 2023.

Same as the website previously this too confirms you can be a mechanic with just a high school diploma or a GED, but it isn't the best possible course of action. For example, there are numerous trade schools that allow you to get certifications in things such as; Brakes, Engine Repair, Engine Performance, Heating and Air Conditioning, Suspension, etc. This is by far the better course of action as you will be worth more as you have just more than the basic level of education. And you can now get paid more than an entry-level mechanic as you are better equipped.

*Is Becoming an Automatic Technician a Good Career? 4 July 2021, www.neit.edu/blog/auto-mechanic-career. Accessed 23 Jan. 2023.*

This article is published by the New England Institute of Technology and I found this article to be pretty resourceful. It gives people an insight on whether or not a mechanic (Automotive Technician) is a viable career option. To answer this question it can be especially if the person is looking to make money right away. It turns out that any entry level mechanic can make up \$40,000 - \$60,000 per year. Which can be a better alternative to something like college which requires years of schooling and money that one doesn't have. Also if you work for a while and then decide that you'd like to go to school you can then do so and have the funds in order to fund your education.

Indeed Editorial Team, editor. "9 Pros and Cons of Being an Auto Mechanic." *Indeed*, 2 Nov. 2021,  
[www.indeed.com/career-advice/finding-a-job/pros-and-cons-of-being-auto-mechanic-](http://www.indeed.com/career-advice/finding-a-job/pros-and-cons-of-being-auto-mechanic-).  
Accessed 25 Jan. 2023.

This article talks about the numerous pros and cons of becoming a mechanic. I found this source to be pretty credible and resourceful as it list's both cons and pros. This prevents objectivity and when I give my presentation I want to be able to tell people all the benefits of becoming a mechanic. As well as its downsides because no career is truly perfect and this source right here allows me to do that. Like for example if you decide as an auto mechanic

you'd like to have a different career this website mentions that it would be hard to transfer many of the skills you learned as a mechanic.

Miller, Scott. "16 Pros and Cons of Being an Auto Mechanic." *Vocational Training HQ*, 18 Jan. 2022, [www.vocationaltraininghq.com/pros-and-cons-of-being-an-auto-mechanic/](http://www.vocationaltraininghq.com/pros-and-cons-of-being-an-auto-mechanic/). Accessed 25 Jan. 2022.

This article written by Scott Miller talks about the numerous pros and cons of being a mechanic. Specifically the wear and tear it can take on one's body. Mechanics are expected to do a lot whether that be to lift heavy things, work holidays, or even possibly put themselves in dangerous situations. Also, mechanics are responsible for fixing people's cars so that it is safe for them to drive and I'm sure you can imagine if they don't do that they could be blamed for whatever went wrong. Being a mechanic means you have people's lives in your hands which also means you are liable if anything goes wrong in the car you fixed for them.

Tyroler Leonard Injury Law. "Can You Sue a Mechanic for an Injury?" *Tyroler Leonard Injury Law*, 9 Sept. 2021, [injurylawmn.com/can-you-sue-a-mechanic-for-negligence/](http://injurylawmn.com/can-you-sue-a-mechanic-for-negligence/). Accessed 25 Jan. 2023.

This webpage by Tyroler Leonard Injury Law talks about the process of suing a mechanic. If a person gets in a car accident and lets say it was deemed that the car was indeed faulty after repair. The mechanic and auto shop can be sued for negligence. You can very well face some serious consequences including a fine, a settlement, or even in prison in severe cases. Being a mechanic means a person is not allowed to skip steps or forget one thing because that could be the difference between life & death.

Staff Writers. "5 Most Important Auto Mechanic Skills." *Best Colleges*, [www.bestcolleges.com/trades/auto-mechanic/top-skills/](http://www.bestcolleges.com/trades/auto-mechanic/top-skills/). Accessed 9 July 2022.

This article goes over the 5 most important skills one definitely has to know in order to become a mechanic. Probably the most important one is problem-solving as that will literally be the basis of your job. As you will be in charge of trying to fix the problems of your customer and all cases are different. Another important skill is attention to detail as mechanics must be able to spot inconsistencies and even the smallest of errors. As they want to ensure their customers have the best possible experience as they want to ensure they come back for all of their car needs.

Kilmer, Scotty. "Should You Become a Mechanic?" *Should You Become a Mechanic?*, 11 May 2018, [www.youtube.com/watch?v=dPzqmCrT15A](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dPzqmCrT15A). Accessed Jan. 2022.

In this youtube video Scotty Kilmer talks about whether someone should become a mechanic. While I do like this source I found it to be a little bit unreliable. After all he is a content creator so his goal is to get the most views as possible. Although I do appreciate Kilmer's point of view as it is important to have someone from the field's thoughts as well. However, I do think I'd be able to get a better source by interviewing a mechanic myself as they would provide a better insight than that of Kilmer.

Zip Recruiter. "Entry Level Mechanic Salary in Pennsylvania." *Zip Recruiter*, [www.ziprecruiter.com/](http://www.ziprecruiter.com/)

Salaries/Entry-Level-Mechanic-Salary--in-Pennsylvania. Accessed 23 Jan. 2023.

According to Zip Recruiter an entry level mechanic makes about \$34,000 in the state of Pennsylvania. Which isn't a lot and is definitely no nearly enough to survive in this growing economy. Also there are plenty of mechanics who get stuck in entry level positions for a long period of time which means they won't be moving out any time soon. So if someones plan was to become a mechanic straight out of highschool and move out of their parents house. I would definitely advise against it is it is just to much of a struggle to make thaty work.

*Indeed.* [www.indeed.com/q-Mechanic-I-Philadelphia,-PA-jobs.html?vjk=91e38371cc3b530b](http://www.indeed.com/q-Mechanic-I-Philadelphia,-PA-jobs.html?vjk=91e38371cc3b530b). Accessed 23 Jan. 2023.

This webpage is a sight that talks about all the different jobs for a mechanic. This will definitely be a helpfu, resource as I begin making my journal as this will allow me to tell people about the numerous jobs waiting for them out side of highschool or even trade school. I will definitely use this source in the future. Ultimately I'd say this source is reliable as indeed is a known and encourage webbsite.