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### Brandon Gawelek

### Cuyahoga Heights District

Brandon Gawelek is a senior at Cuyahoga Heights High School and is enrolled in CVCC's Construction Trades program instructed by Mr. Yuravak. Brandon initially became interested in this program by being encouraged from other tradesmen within his family. Both of his grandfathers were involved in the field, one was a union brick layer, and the other was an electrician. He learned so much from them and knew CVCC's program would allow him to further his knowledge. His favorite element of the program is the carpentry portion, specifically framing. Brandon is thankful that working with numbers comes easy to him. The electrical portion of the program has been challenging, but rewarding. Brandon appreciates the friendships he has made and values the opportunities being involved in SkillsUSA, a trade and industrial student organization, has brought him. Brandon holds the professional development chair and was able to attend the leadership conference in Columbus, OH this past fall.



In Brandon's free time he enjoys being outside and spending time with his family. After graduation, Brandon plans on joining an apprenticeship program for a local union and working in the construction field right away. Brandon hopes to one day get the opportunity to work in the more corporate side of a big construction company. Best of luck in all that you do Brandon!

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