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CVCC is Awarded Ohio Reach Postsecondary Designation

Brecksville, OH - On Thursday, August 28, Cuyahoga Valley Career Center was informed that they were awarded the Ohio Reach Postsecondary designation from the Ohio Department of Higher Education (ODHE) for their efforts to support students with a history in foster care. Only 28 Ohio schools were awarded this designation. As part of this designation, CVCC will be awarded funding to support programming for their foster care-connected students.

Several factors were considered to be eligible for this award including, but not limited to, a designated campus liaison, the ability to connect students to resources (basic needs), community-building opportunities for students, student outreach, eligibility of on-campus services and the continuous expansion of those services, staff training, data collection, succession/transition planning, and mentorship.

Ohio Reach is a network of professionals, advocates, and students across Ohio determined to support former foster students on their education journey. Ohio Reach, administered through the Ohio Children's Alliance (OCA), provides resources to institutions of higher education, child welfare agencies, and foster care alumni enrolled in higher education to support their academic success.

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