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## Student Connection



**CUYAHOGA VALLEY CAREER CENTER** 

## <u>Alys Rodriguez Maldonado</u> **Garfield Heights**



Alys Rodriguez Maldonado is a junior at Garfield Heights High School and is enrolled in CVCC's Sports Medicine Exercise Science (SMES) program instructed by Shawn Fahey. Being an athlete herself and having a passion for helping others, Alys was so excited when she found out CVCC offered a SMES program.

"Alys is an outstanding student who is always prepared for class. She puts her best effort forward on all assignments and lab situations, comes to class with a smile every day, and consistently handles herself in a professional manner." -Shawn Fahey, SMES instructor

Alys really appreciates that CVCC has allowed her to look at school differently. With all of the hands-on learning and being in an engaging setting that makes sense to her, she now enjoys her time at school. After graduation, Alys plans to attend college, ideally out-ofstate, with hopes of playing volleyball and majoring in sports medicine or physical therapy.

"Put in the work and find something that you are actually interested in because CVCC will allow you to get a head start on your career. My time at CVCC has made me work harder, and has ultimately made me become a better version of myself that I'm proud of." -Alys Rodriguez Maldonado

Outside of academics, Alys is on the varsity volleyball team at Garfield Heights High School and enjoys playing and watching sports. Keep up the great work, Alys!

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