

## Alumni Spotlight

**CUYAHOGA VALLEY CAREER CENTER** 

## <u>Alyssa Kostal</u> Class of 2025



Alyssa Kostal proudly received her adult diploma after successfully completing CVCC's Adult Education Phlebotomy program! Her journey began in 2018 when she first enrolled in CVCC's Adult Diploma Program, but unforeseen challenges led her to put her plans on hold. Determined to build a brighter future for herself and her family, Alyssa returned when the time was right and had the support she needed to succeed. "I did this for my kids. I want a better job; I want to have a career."

Now, with her diploma in hand, Alyssa is setting her sights even higher. She plans to continue her education, possibly pursuing a career as a sterilization technician—a crucial role in healthcare focused on ensuring medical instruments and equipment are properly cleaned and sterilized to prevent infections.

Alyssa credits instructor Jennifer Wester for preparing her well. "I'm very thankful for our instructor, Mrs. Wester, who taught us everything we needed to know. I went into clinicals feeling confident."

For anyone considering going back to school to earn their diploma, Alyssa offers this advice: "Yes, it's going to be challenging, but with motivation, you can do it. You have to want it."

Congratulations, Alyssa! CVCC wishes you the best in all your future endeavors.

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