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# Student Connection



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## Brandon Allen

### Revere



Brandon Allen, a junior at Revere High School, is currently enrolled in CVCC's Building & Property Maintenance program, led by instructor Jason Hance. From a young age, Brandon has always enjoyed working with his hands—building, fixing, and learning through doing. So when the opportunity to attend CVCC came around, he didn't hesitate. "I wanted to be part of a program that would give me a head start on my career," Brandon shared. "But also teach me practical life skills—like how to take care of and repair things around my home one day." Mr. Hance had high praise for Brandon as well: "Brandon had perfect attendance in the second quarter. He works hard, works well with others, and consistently excels at class projects."

Brandon is currently learning how to install, patch, and repair drywall—skills he finds both enjoyable and highly useful. He's especially enjoyed the carpentry and plumbing units. "Carpentry has probably been my favorite," he shared. "Learning how to measure, cut, shape, and properly install building materials has been incredibly rewarding." He attributes much of his success and motivation to Mr. Hance's teaching style. "Mr. Hance is an amazing instructor. I really appreciate his hands-on approach. This program has completely transformed how I learn and how much I enjoy school. I genuinely love being here." When asked about his dream job, Brandon said: "This."

Brandon encourages other students to explore CVCC. "Even if you're unsure about what program to choose, you'll still gain life skills you won't get in a traditional classroom. The opportunities here are a real advantage." Outside the classroom, Brandon enjoys watching movies and playing games on his phone. He also raps and creates music in his free time—something he hopes to pursue alongside his future career. We're thrilled to have Brandon joining CVCC's maintenance department this summer. Keep up the amazing work, Brandon!

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