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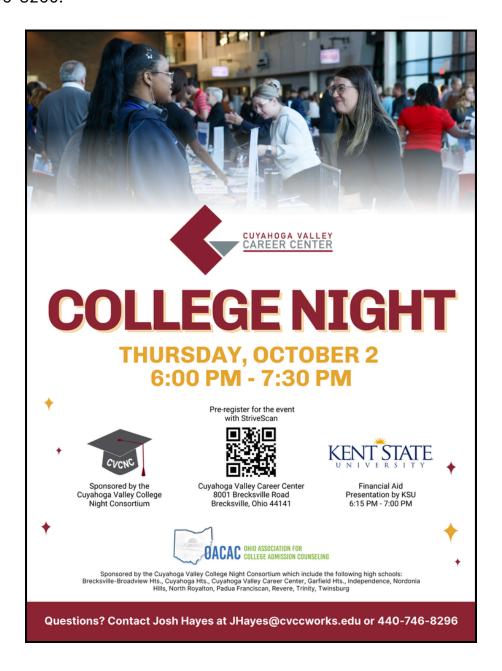


Pictured: CVCC's Machine Technology students are kicking off the school year with cutting-edge tools, thanks to a generous grant from the Lozick Family Foundation.

What an exciting way to begin the year!

Upcoming: College Night at CVCC

Cuyahoga Valley Career Center will host College Night on Wednesday, October 2, from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. This event is sponsored by the Cuyahoga Valley College Night Consortium (CVCNC) and is in coordination with the Ohio Association for College Admissions Counseling. CVCC will be utilizing StriveScan, a college fair scanning app, that will send participants a QR code to use during the event for colleges to scan and send more information about their school—it's free, saves time, and saves paper! CVCC invites all those looking to connect with various colleges and universities, technical centers, and military academies to attend. A Financial Aid presentation by Kent State University will also be available to attendees from 6:15 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. This free event will be held at CVCC; registration is not required. For more information, contact Josh Hayes, Assistant Principal, at JHayes@cvccworks.edu or 440-746-8260.



Upcoming: Craft Show at CVCC

CVCC will host a Craft Show on Saturday, November 1, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The Craft Show will feature several vendors offering unique gifts, crafted items, and baked goods. Admission to the event is \$1 and is sponsored by the SkillsUSA Local Chapter. Interested crafters can reserve space at the event. One space is \$50, two spaces are \$85, and three spaces are \$105 dollars. Spaces are assigned on a first come first serve basis. Checks can be made payable to, CVCC/SkillsUSA. No applications or payments will be accepted after October 17. To reserve a space and for more information, please contact Julie Jakubczak at (440) 746-8240 or jiakubczak@cvccworks.edu.

"The Craft Show is the largest fundraising event for the SkillsUSA Local Chapter. All of the money raised will be put towards leadership activities and programming throughout the year. We hope to see you!" -Julie Jakubczak, Social Studies Instructor and CVCC SkillsUSA Coordinator



North Royalton High School Students Use Drama to Teach Interview Skills

At North Royalton High School, Jill Larson, the district's CVCC Career Specialist, teamed up with drama students Sofia Savchenko, Pheonix Mortensen, and Alden Brinkley to deliver an engaging and educational skit for seniors called "What to Do and Not to Do in an Interview." Through humor and clear contrasts, the performance highlighted common interview mistakes and how to avoid them. Sofia had the audience laughing as she played an unprepared, unprofessional candidate who was slouching in her seat, chewing gum, and casually checking her phone. When asked why she wanted the job, she shrugged and replied, "I don't know, I just need the money." In contrast, Pheonix portrayed a confident, well-prepared applicant who answered questions thoughtfully, maintained strong eye contact, and actively engaged her interviewer, played by Alden, with insightful follow-up questions. The skit was a fun yet powerful demonstration of how theater can effectively teach important life and career skills.





Second Grade Career Day at Richfield Elementary

Career Exploration is off to an exciting start for the 2nd graders at Richfield Elementary! On September 19, students participated in the annual Career Day, filled with hands-on experiences and special guests—including RES's very own "Spider-Man"! Mr. Todd Blackledge, a RES parent, biologist, and Associate Professor at the University of Akron, wowed students with live spiders spinning their webs while he shared fascinating facts about his work with arachnids. The fun didn't stop there! Students also had the chance to climb into a real dump truck, courtesy of Mr. Dan Guardo from Guardo Construction, and explore a variety of other careers. They learned how dentists care for our teeth, how sports medicine doctors give shots and help athletes heal, and how land surveyors use math and measurement on the job. From discovering how salt is mined, to finding out how Smucker's jelly makes its way to our kitchen tables, students were inspired by the wide range of career paths introduced. It was a memorable afternoon of exploration, curiosity, and future possibilities! A big thank you to Nancy Vondrak, CVCC Career Specialist for Revere Schools, for organizing this engaging event.







CVCC Open House

On Wednesday, September 3, CVCC High School staff hosted their annual Open House, welcoming students and their parents. Attendees had the chance to tour program areas, meet their child's program instructor, academic teachers, guidance counselors, transition coordinators, and administrators. Parents got a firsthand look at program spaces, labs, and ongoing student projects. Teachers provided insights into what the year will bring for each program and outlined key expectations. CVCC extends its gratitude to all the parents and students who participated—it was a fantastic turnout! We look forward to another successful school year ahead.



Important Dates



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For questions, feedback, or news ideas, email mrobertson@cvccworks.edu.

Upcoming Events:

- Thursday, October 2: College Night 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
- Wednesday, October 8: Parent/Teacher Conferences 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
- Thursday, October 9: Parent/Teacher Conferences 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
- Friday, October 10: NEOEA In-Service; No High School Classes
- Thursday, October 30: CVCC Board of Education Meeting 6:00 p.m.