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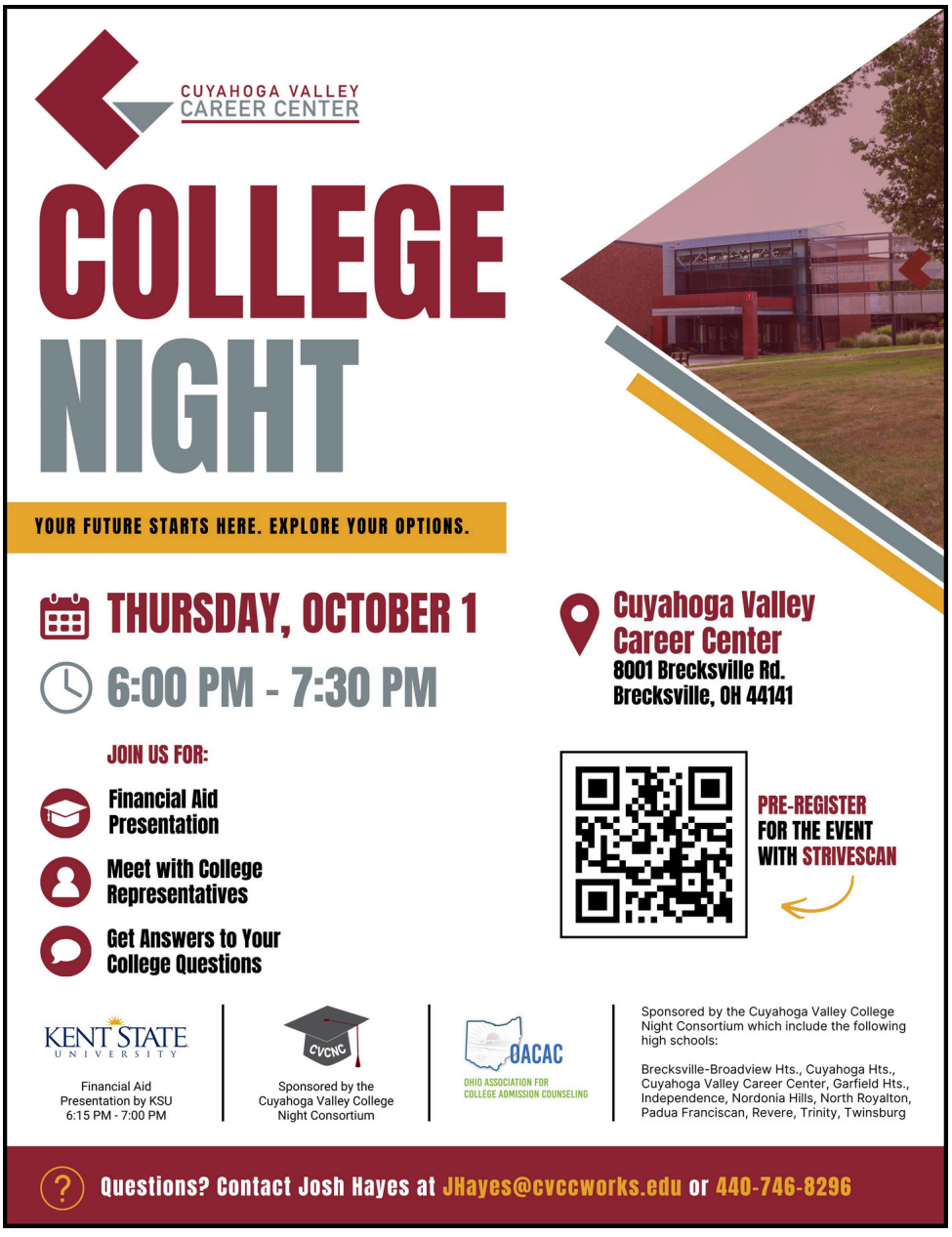
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Upcoming College Night

Cuyahoga Valley Career Center (CVCC) will host College Night on Thursday, October 1, 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 at JHayes@cvccworks.edu or 440-746-8260.



Upcoming November Craft Show – VENDORS WANTED!

CVCC will host its November Craft Show on Saturday, November 7, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The event will feature a variety of vendors offering unique gifts, handmade crafts, baked goods, and more—perfect for getting a head start on holiday shopping! Admission is just $1, with proceeds benefiting the CVCC SkillsUSA Local Chapter. For more information, contact Julie Jakubczak at jjakubczak@cvccworks.edu.

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



CVCC Receives 5-Star Rating

We're proud to share that CVCC has once again received a 5-Star Rating on the State of Ohio Report Card! This recognition is a reflection of the incredible students who walk through our doors each day and the hard work and dedication they bring to their education. We're incredibly grateful for our 5-Star communities, families, and partner schools who support our students and help make their success possible. Most of all, thank you to our students for being the reason we get to celebrate this achievement!



Pictured: Power Equipment Technology, Class of 2027

U.S. Secretary of Education Visits CVCC

Thank you, Linda McMahon, U.S. Secretary of Education, for visiting Cuyahoga Valley Career Center and taking the time to tour our campus. We're grateful for the opportunity to showcase the great things happening here!







CVCC Students Participate in HOSA Washington Leadership Academy

CVCC students recently had an incredible opportunity to strengthen their leadership and advocacy skills while representing HOSA and career-technical education at the national level through the HOSA Washington Leadership Academy. As part of the Academy, students participated in leadership and advocacy training focused on communicating the value and impact of career-technical education to policymakers. They learned how to share their personal experiences, highlight the role their CTE programs have played in preparing them for their futures, and advocate for continued support and resources for career-technical education.

A highlight of the experience was an approximately 30-minute meeting with U.S. Senator Bernie Moreno. During the meeting, Ohio HOSA State Officers shared their experiences in career-technical education and discussed how their programs have prepared them for college, careers, and life beyond high school. They also emphasized the importance of continued support for CTE programs, including quality instruction, updated equipment, hands-on learning opportunities, and career-focused experiences.

Our students did an outstanding job representing HOSA, CVCC, their career centers, and career-technical education. The experience gave them the opportunity to put the communication and advocacy skills they developed during the Academy into practice while engaging directly with a U.S. Senator. Opportunities like the HOSA Washington Leadership Academy extend learning beyond the classroom, allowing students to build confidence, develop leadership skills, and advocate for issues that matter to them. We are incredibly proud of the professionalism, preparation, and passion our students demonstrated throughout this experience!





Construction Trades Students Attend Akron Canton Builds

CVCC's senior Construction Trades students had the opportunity to attend Akron Canton Builds at the Summit County Fairgrounds this month. The field trip was a great opportunity for students to connect with and network with employers in the construction industry while learning more about career opportunities in the field. Thank you to Akron Canton Builds for always welcoming our students and providing such a valuable experience!





Construction Trades Students Compete at The Akron Olympics

CVCC's Construction Trades seniors recently participated in the Construction Olympics, hosted by the University of Akron's College of Engineering and Polymer Science. Students from area career centers and the University of Akron competed in a variety of events that combined skills in construction engineering, surveying and mapping, and civil engineering. CVCC students put their skills to the test and brought home multiple medals, including gold, silver, and bronze! We are proud of our Construction Trades students for representing CVCC and showcasing the skills they have developed throughout their time in the program. Way to go, Construction Trades! And thank you to the University of Akron for hosting this exciting opportunity for our students!





Independence Excavating Supports CVCC Students

A big thank you to Independence Excavating for supporting CVCC's Construction Trades students with a generous donation of hard hats, gloves and other equipment! Independence Excavating has a strong connection to CVCC, having hired several of our graduates and currently having three employees with children enrolled in our Construction Trades program. We're grateful for their continued support in helping us provide our students with the tools and hands-on experience they need to learn, grow and prepare for careers in the skilled trades. Our students are excited to put their new gear to good use! Thank you, Independence Excavating, for investing in our students and the next generation of skilled trades professionals!



Important Dates

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

Upcoming Events:

- **Thursday, October 1:** College Night - 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
- **Wednesday, October 7:** Parent/Teacher Conferences - 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
- **Thursday, October 8:** Parent/Teacher Conferences - 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
- **Friday, October 9:** NEOEA In-Service; No High School Classes
- **Friday, October 16:** Staff In-Service; No High School Classes
- **Thursday, October 29:** CVCC Board of Education Meeting - 6:00 p.m.