



CVCC Student Spotlight

Collaboration is Key at CVCC!

There are many benefits students receive by attending CVCC, including collaborating with others and learning from fellow peers. Recently, CVCC's Construction Trades and Architectural and Mechanical Design (AMD) students teamed up in a cross-training opportunity to learn valuable skills! To give some background, a part of the curriculum for CVCC's construction Trades program is students get certified by their instructor, Mr. Yuravak, to use different saws and perform various cuts in a safe manner. Mr. Ward, the instructor for CVCC's Architectural and Mechanical Design program, thought it would be a good opportunity for his students to learn elements integral to the building portion of the process and to see how what they design comes together. Mr. Yuravak felt this was an opening for his students who are certified to use different saws and do various cuts to teach the AMD students these hands-on skills. Mr. Ward initially went through the information with his students, while the Construction Trades learners then took over and demonstrated as well as taught their peers how to do certain cutting tasks. The students worked with both a miter and circular saw and learned how to do a straight cut, angle cut, and beveled cut. Students also had the opportunity to use a band saw and drill press. The Construction Trades students were given a performance sheet that they used as a guide when instructing the AMD class, checking off each completed task once they met the requirement.



Construction Trades students teaching their AMD peers saw skills.



Construction Trades juniors, Sam Coddington from Independence and Gabe Cobb from Garfield Heights, had the chance to teach their peers from the AMD class saw and cutting skills. Sam noted that CVCC has been a "great experience overall!" AMD juniors, Lilia Tsirkot from Independence and Geremiah Stokes from Garfield Heights, worked with Gabe and learned how to use the circular saw. Geremiah explained that Gabe did a great job walking him through the process. Additionally, Lilia felt this experience was, "A great networking opportunity to meet other students." Geremiah also noted the "hands-on" element of this exercise was great! AMD student Alexander Firlik from Independence also felt this opportunity was very rewarding. Overall, this collaboration was a great way to teach students team work and communication, and is exactly what CVCC thrives to instill in our students. What a great way for students to be immersed in hands-on career technical skills. Having instructors like Mr. Yuravak and Mr. Ward who are open and willing to make these experiences happen for their students is what makes CVCC so special! For further information on CVCC's High School program opportunities, visit CVCC at our annual Student Parent Information Night Event on Thursday, January 20, 2022 from 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. or visit https://www.cvccworks.edu/highschool_home.aspx for more information.

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CVCC Service Spotlight

CVCC students Remember, Honor, and Teach!

Cuyahoga Valley Career Center's students worked tirelessly for the past few months with one goal in mind: to honor our fallen veterans. The students partnered with Wreaths Across America, a nationwide nonprofit organization that year after year raises donations to create wreaths to place on the graves of our fallen veterans. The organization's mission – Remember, Honor, Teach – is carried out in part each year by coordinating wreath-laying ceremonies in December at Arlington, as well as at more than 1,200 veterans' cemeteries and other locations in all 50 states and beyond.

CVCC Power Equipment Technology instructor Mr. Jerry Koenig, a veteran himself, brought the opportunity to collaborate with Wreaths Across America as a service-learning project to his students' attention a few years ago. Each year, additional CVCC programs have joined the cause, creating higher goals and more wreaths collected. This year, students collected an incredible 1,380 wreaths; the most that has ever been collected so far at CVCC!

On Saturday, December 18, CVCC students, along with their instructors and many others, plan to participate in laying wreaths on veteran's gravesites at the Ohio Western Reserve National Cemetery in Rittman, Ohio. CVCC could not be more proud of our students and staff who were involved in this service-learning project. Our students continue to learn the true meaning of giving back and honoring those who gave so much to our country. CVCC looks forward to continuing this project and seeing it grow for years to come. We are humbled to collaborate with Wreaths Across America and carry out their mission to Remember, Honor, and Teach.

Food Drive Success at CVCC!

CVCC held its annual Food Drive event Monday, November 29 until Friday, December 10. The Food Drive was in partnership with CVCC's SkillsUSA local chapter with instructor, Julie Jakubczak as its leader; as well as sponsored by CVCC's 50th Anniversary Committee who funded prizes for the classes who brought in the most items. The Food Drive concluded with incredible results! In total, the final donations weighed in at 13,563.5 pounds, 452% of our initial goal of 3,000 pounds. The top winner of the drive was the Heating and Air Conditioning junior class instructed by Matt Schoeffler, with CVCC's Power Equipment Technology junior class taught by Jerry Koenig coming in a close second place. The goods will be taken to four different community centers in the Nardon, Twinsburg, Brooklyn Heights, and Garfield Heights areas to be distributed to local families in need. Thank you to all those who contributed to this wonderful event to give back to others during this holiday season!



Ohio Western Reserve National Cemetery in Rittman, Ohio.



CVCC Heating & Air Condition and Power Equipment Technology students surrounded by all the goods collected for the Food Drive.

CVCC Business Spotlight

TechCred Program



The State of Ohio's TechCred program is now open! TechCred is a statewide program that gives businesses an incentive to upskill their current and potential employees. After identifying the technology-related skills needed, employers can partner with CVCC as their training provider for an industry-approved credential (hundreds have already been approved by the state, and they are accepting requests for new ones). Once proof of completion is attained for the short-term (less than one year), tech-related credential, the employer can be reimbursed up to \$2,000 per employee (up to \$30,000 total). For more info, please visit techcred.ohio.gov or contact 440.746.8230 or aeinfo@cvccworks.edu.

Upcoming Events

- Monday, December 20- Friday, December 31 ♦ Winter Break for Students
- Wednesday, December 22-Sunday, December 26 ♦ Building Closed
- Friday, December 31 ♦ Building Closed
- Saturday, January 1 ♦ Building Closed
- Monday, January 3 ♦ Classes Resume
- Thursday, January 13 ♦ Board of Education Meeting
- Monday, January 17 ♦ Martin Luther King Jr. Day Observed
- Thursday, January 20 ♦ 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. ♦ Student/Parent Information Night
- Monday, February 7- Friday, February 11 ♦ Career Tech Education Week
- Monday, February 21 ♦ President's Day

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