

# News Flash!

## CVCC Board of Education



March 25, 2021

### **2020-21 Scholarship Information**

It is that time of year again for CVCC students to apply for the various scholarships offered at CVCC. The deadline for submission of scholarship applications is Monday, April 5. All applications can be emailed to Principal Mike Hall at [mhall@cvccworks.edu](mailto:mhall@cvccworks.edu). For further details and application information, visit: [https://www.cvccworks.edu/highschool\\_home.aspx](https://www.cvccworks.edu/highschool_home.aspx)

### **Student and Parent Information Night Videos**

Did you miss CVCC's Virtual Student and Parent Information Night in January? No worries, we have recordings of the zoom sessions from that very informative night! Go to <https://www.cvccworks.edu/Student-ParentInfoNightVideos.aspx> to view the videos. For further information, contact Admissions Counselor, Kelli Buccini, at [kbuccini@cvccworks.edu](mailto:kbuccini@cvccworks.edu) or 440-746-8286.



### **Virtual School of Nursing Information Night**

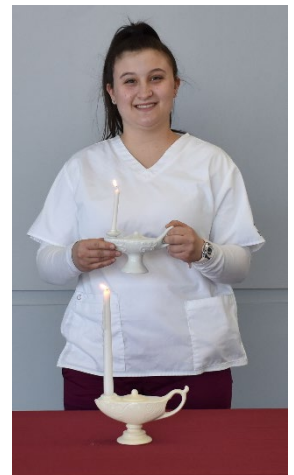
The School of Nursing at Cuyahoga Valley Career Center held a Virtual Information Night on Tuesday, March 16. Attendees were able to meet the supervisor, Pattie Mandula, MBA/HCM, BSN, RN and staff, who highlighted the program's requirements, curriculum, student clinical and classroom expectations and more. Additionally, Susan Kelley, CVCC's Student Support Services presented information on the financial aid process. The opportunity to ask questions regarding the program ended the session. What a great event!

For information on CVCC's Practical Nursing Program, visit: <https://www.cvccworks.edu/Nursing.aspx> or contact the nursing department's administrative assistants, Lea Bacci at [lbacci@cvccworks.edu](mailto:lbacci@cvccworks.edu), 440-746-8232 or Stephanie Ciesla at [sciesla@cvccworks.edu](mailto:sciesla@cvccworks.edu), 440-746-8332.



### **Adult Education LPN Students Candle Lighting Ceremony**

On Friday, March 12, CVCC hosted a virtual Candle Lighting Ceremony for 18 Adult Education Licensed Practical Nursing students. The Candle Lighting Ceremony marks the finishing of the Basic Nursing Program for the students. The



ceremony also marks the halfway point of the program and is celebrated in honor of Florence Nightingale. Ms. Nightingale was a nurse who started the first nursing program. Students attended the event in person and were able to light their symbolic candles one at a time in a socially distant fashion, while their family and friends celebrated from afar through Zoom. What a wonderful celebration, keep up the great work!

### **CVCC Student Employees**

CVCC believes in our students' skills and that they are so well trained we proudly hire them on to our staff as Student Employees. CVCC appreciates the Board of Education for approving the following Student Employees for the 2020-2021 school year, as these students greatly add to the efficiency of our organization. Contributing to the IT Department is junior David Eichler from Independence and senior Edison Kroft from North Royalton. Both students are in CVCC's Computer Network Academy program instructed by Mr. Moore. David and Edison work at the CVCC Help Desk within the IT Department two afternoons a week.



Helping out CVCC's Facility and Operations Department with maintenance tasks is Joshua Sanicky from Cuyahoga Heights who is a junior in Electrical Systems program instructed by Mr. McNamee. Joshua works two afternoons a week. In addition, seniors from CVCC's Auto Body Repair and Refinishing, Dedrick Lynch from Garfield Heights and Kenneth Strugill from Twinsburg, are utilizing their Student Employee role as Early Placement and working in lieu of their CVCC class on Tuesdays, Wednesday, and Thursdays.

Several current CVCC employees started their career here as Student Employees, including: Allison Jouriles, CVCC's part-time Adult Education Evening Receptionist, Justin Hensley, Custodian, Adam Karpowicz, part-time Computer Technician in CVCC's IT Department, Sandra Leech, Administrative Assistant/Data and Accountability, Michele Nakonieczny, Executive Administrative Assistant HR/Payroll, and Mark Pruchnicki, Maintenance.

### **North Royalton High School Senior Exit Interviews**

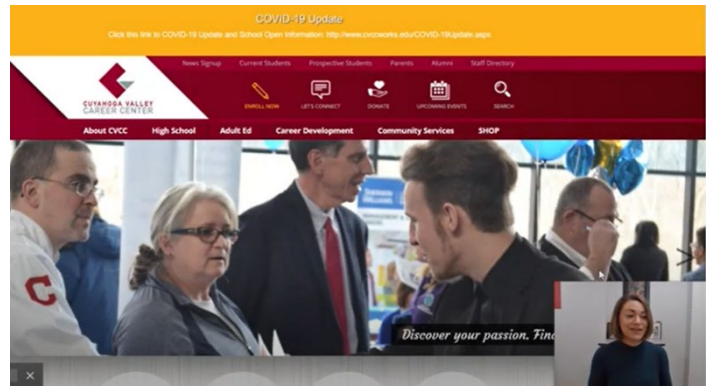
Seniors at North Royalton High School participated in their Senior Exit Interview Day. On Monday, March 1, the seniors at North Royalton High School participated in the Senior Exit Interview Day, a requirement for graduation. The senior exit interview is a culminating activity process that Jill Larson, Cuyahoga Valley Career Center Career Specialist at North Royalton, starts freshman year. She assists each student with putting a Senior Digital Portfolio together. The portfolio includes a resume, reference page, cover letter and achievements that have been saved throughout their high school years. Due to the pandemic, the portfolios were turned into a virtual format platform, which was also created by Jill along with input from the North Royalton High School staff and administrators. This project is designed to provide an opportunity for students to demonstrate the skills necessary to move successfully from high school to continued education or the world of work. The students are also required to complete post-high school explorations.



Throughout the senior exit interview day, seniors arrive at North Royalton High School during their designated interview time and interview with a panel of teachers. During the interview, students have an opportunity to display his or her high school accomplishments, present a completed virtual portfolio, and answer questions about it. Students are evaluated on their portfolio, punctuality, appearance, vocal skills, social skills (posture, eye contact, etc.) and response to questions. This is a great learning experience and always an enjoyable day for everyone involved.

### **8<sup>th</sup> Grade Virtual Tour at Twinsburg**

Each year, CVCC invites all 8<sup>th</sup> grade students from our eight associate districts to tour the building and all the high school programs that are offered. This tour allows students to get a feel for the environment and offerings before they begin high school scheduling. Due to the pandemic, we were unable to share the facility and the many class offerings in-person. Toni Cluse, CVCC Career Specialist for Twinsburg decided to highlight CVCC virtually with a personal introduction to CVCC and a video that highlights each high school program.



Despite constraints, it was important to provide insight into these learning opportunities for students. This event was a great alternative while keeping everyone safe. For further information on CVCC's High School programs, visit: <https://www.cvccworks.edu/HighSchoolPrograms.aspx>.

### **Communication Skills and Teamwork with CVCC's Hotels and Resorts Students**

CVCC's Hotels and Resorts program recently completed a unit on communication skills and teamwork, including active listening, effective speaking and working together. The students participated in the Marshmallow Challenge, in which they worked in teams for 30 minutes, the goal was to have a marshmallow be the highest off the table by only using 20 spaghetti noodles, one yard of tape, one yard of string and a marshmallow for the top.



This lesson showed students that teamwork in the workplace is essential. Many students felt they already knew how to communicate and work together; however, having to actually work as a team to demonstrate a task tested everyone's skills. Hotels and Resorts student, Donta Robinson from the Brecksville-Broadview Heights district stated, "You need teamwork because [it] makes the job easier and more fun." Additionally, student Hanna Trivonovich from the North Royalton district noted that having these skills "makes it go faster and be more effective as a team." In addition, Joseph Wray from Twinsburg exclaimed that this lesson reassured him that he "can communicate with other[s] to figure out the problem." This lesson was an excellent way to remind students that these basic life skills are needed and aid in making a better candidate for any position. Keep up the wonderful work!

## **BYTE Competition**

On Wednesday, February 24, four CVCC students enrolled in the Programming and Software Development I program competed in the virtual BYTE (Bring Your Tech Expertise) competition hosted virtually by Hathaway Brown School.

Students competed to solve AP Computer Science-style problems. CVCC's teams consisted

of: Christian Auman and Preston Kruty from Nordonia, as well as Jessica Gyorki from Nordonia and Brody Zack from Twinsburg. What a wonderful event to take part in!



## **Upcoming Events**

- ◆ Monday, March 29 - Friday, April 2 ◆ Spring Break
- ◆ Wednesday, April 7 ◆ Virtual National Technical Honor Society Induction Ceremony
- ◆ Thursday, April 29 ◆ Board of Education Meeting ◆ 6:30 p.m.