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Message from the Principal

Hello CTC Parents, Students and Staff:

As spring finally arrives, I'd like to offer kudos to our CTC Guidance Department for recently completing the registration process for the 2022-2023 school year. They have communicated with all of our returning students, new students and each home high school to complete the initial registration and application process. From this information, CTC will build a master schedule for next year.

As we start the final term of the school year, we are reminded of the need for all of us to work together to help keep our students as safe as possible, both during and after school, as well as weekends. With the many social events, such as prom, that our students will attend this spring, we encourage them to make good decisions and stay safe.

Finally, on behalf of the faculty and staff, I congratulate the members of the Class of 2022 who will graduate in a few weeks. For our seniors completing their high school career, we encourage you to finish the school year strong. Many of you will be taking industry certification or licensure exams in the coming weeks. Please take advantage of every opportunity to prepare for these important assessments. For our new and returning students joining us next school year, we look forward to you helping us maintain our tradition of excellence at CTC. It is our duty to challenge each and every student who enters our doors with a rigorous program curriculum. We must also identify and support students who need additional academic assistance.

As always, we encourage and welcome your questions, comments and suggestions. Please feel free to call or email me or any staff member any time.

Sincerely,

Michael Concepcion - Principal

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Guidance News...

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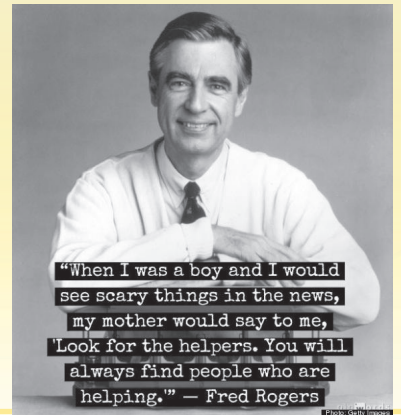
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As we get ready to close out this school year it strikes me how many ways this has been a wonderful and amazing year, while at the same time we have faced tragedies as a nation that many of us never imagined. And I'm sure that many of us have faced struggles in our own lives that have also challenged us to maintain our hope and ability to look forward to the future.

For this last newsletter of the year I would like to simply share the following quote from Fred Rogers that has always brought me comfort...hopefully it will stick with you as it has with me. In reality, there are helpers all around us, everyday heroes who are ready and willing to lend a hand when someone is in need. And all of us, often without even knowing it, are helpers ourselves – carrying our families and friends through trying times. So here's to all the helpers out there...May we continue to lift each other up! Have a great summer!



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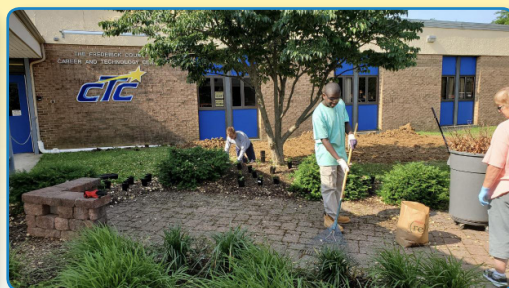
What's Happening...

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CTC School Beautification Project

Please Come join us the week of May 31st - June 3rd to beautify CTC. Students and teachers will be weeding, edging, pruning and planting flowers. All are welcome to help beautify CTC.

For more information and to participate contact Diane Herndon or Lorraine Marshall at CTC.



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CTC Nutrition Bulletin Board

Check out the latest CTC nutrition bulletin board!

Eat fruits and vegetables from each color of the rainbow to incorporate more nutritious vitamin-packed foods into your diet.



Wearing Blue in April for Child Abuse Prevention

CTC staff demonstrated their support and helped raise awareness of child abuse by wearing blue, the national color for child abuse prevention.

TutorMe Free Service Is Now Available

TutorMe.com, a free student online tutoring and homework help service, is now available in any subject for students in grades 6-12.

TutorMe.com is a secure, online resource easily accessible through the [FCPS Clever Portal](#) and offers on-demand assistance. The TutorMe.com service provides assistance that aligns with the FCPS curriculum, including knowledge of new curriculum tools being implemented. The service maintains rigorous standards providing high-quality, diverse tutors, screened for excellence (including a criminal background check). The service is available 7 days a week, 24 hours a day.

FEATURES INCLUDE:

- An online lesson space with a virtual whiteboard - [Demo Space](#)
- Text editor and chat space
- Audio/video chat (although you do not have to use this feature or turn on your camera)
- A function to allow sharing of screenshots of work examples to assist tutors as they provide support
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Directions for how students can access the service are [here](#). More information is available at the vendor website, www.tutorme.com and this [Student Support Document](#).



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SkillsUSA State Championship Results

The 2022 Maryland State SkillsUSA Championship was held on April 1st and 2nd at multiple sites in the Baltimore area. Students from around the state competed in 64 trade, technical, and leadership competitions. FCPS CTC students performed extremely well!

- CTC had 30 1st place finishers who are now eligible to compete at the National Leadership & Skills Conference in Atlanta, GA this summer
- CTC placed 1st in 28% of all Maryland contests
- CTC placed 1st in 45% of contests entered
- CTC had 20 2nd place finishers
- CTC had 5 3rd place finishers

Please congratulate our students on their exceptional performance and hard work!



Name	Skills Contest	Place
Caden Keyser	Additive Manufacturing	1
Edwin Niemandt	Additive Manufacturing	1
Anthony Terselic	Architectural Drafting	1
Jeremiah Manahan	Automotive Maintenance & Light Repair	3
Ethan Mentzer	Automotive Service Technology	1
Damon Catlin	Automotive Service Technology	3
David Patton	Collision Repair Technology	2
Micayla Brown	Commercial Baking	1
Natalia Alvarado	Commercial Baking	2
Brooke Fletcher	Cosmetology	1
Dominic Gomez	CPS: Ag, Food and Natural Resources	1
Greggory Icore	CPS: Ag, Food and Natural Resources	1
Viren Mistry	CPS: Ag, Food and Natural Resources	1
Bradley Keriakos	CPS: Architecture & Construction	1
Marshall Proctor	CPS: Architecture & Construction	1
Seth Rape	CPS: Architecture & Construction	1
Brady Johnson	CPS: Arts and Communication	1
Johnny Rodriguez	CPS: Arts and Communication	1
Ellie Stevens	CPS: Arts and Communication	1
Ryan Brightman	CPS: Industrial Engineering & STEM	2
Marco Jih Vieira	CPS: Industrial Engineering & STEM	2
Steven Lizik	CPS: Industrial Engineering & STEM	2
Sarah Kreh	Early Childhood Education	2
Aidan Bowers	Engineering Technology/Design	2
Tyler Davis	Engineering Technology/Design	2
Levi Venable	Engineering Technology/Design	2
Sofia Driver	Extemporaneous Speaking	1
Alexandra Kerney	First Aid/CPR	3

Name	Skills Contest	Place
Kate Brubaker	Health Knowledge Bowl	1
Isabella Fernandez	Health Knowledge Bowl	1
Samantha Fulton	Health Knowledge Bowl	1
Emily Schueftan	Health Knowledge Bowl	1
Donald Haycraft	HVAC	1
Daniel Melnyk	HVAC	2
Jonathan Kaufhold	Information Technology Services	2
Gareth McCullough	Internetworking	2
Leyda Cadena	Medical Assisting	1
Anjola Arowosegbe	Medical Assisting	2
Adebola Adeyemi	Mobile Robotics	2
Jordan Patras	Mobile Robotics	2
Megan Farkas	Nurse Assisting	1
Zachary Houck	Plumbing	1
Dylan Wangness	Plumbing	3
Johann Myles	Robotics: Urban Search and Rescue	1
Brody Watson	Robotics: Urban Search and Rescue	1
Dominic Stultz	Technical Drafting	1
Leila Cornejo	Technical Drafting	2
Eva Mason	TV Video Production	2
Grace Rohrer	TV Video Production	2
Kyle Bacon	Web Design	2
Kai Justice	Web Design	2
Patrick Kolb	Welding	3
Cody Romsburg	Welding Fabrication	1
Michael Soluri	Welding Fabrication	1
William Szkotak	Welding Fabrication	1



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6 Student Highlights

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Students of the Month

March

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Lilian Wolf – Academy of Health Professions
Ryan Walton – CISCO Networking Academy
Leah Johansen – Physical Rehabilitation
Natalie Ferrell – Cosmetology II

PM

Kayla Knutson – Advanced Floral Design
Aidan Wennersten – Welding Agricultural & Commercial Metals
Helen (Penelope) Baldwin – Biomedical Science
Vanessa Posse-Mir – Automotive Service Technology

April

AM

Stella Krause – Landscaping
Ella Wilson – Physical Rehabilitation
Emily Shueftan – Academy of Health Professions
Sofia Driver – Teacher Academy

PM

Deondre Febus – Auto Body/Collision Repair
Ally Garnes – Academy of Health Professions
Kaden Hansen – Criminal Justice & Homeland Security
Hanna Matheus – Digital Design & Print Methods

Job Fair at Frederick Community College

CTC Seniors enjoyed attending the job fair at Frederick Community College. It was a great opportunity for them to use their professional social skills to network with a wide variety of local employers.



CTC Student Builder Olympics

The CTC Student Builder Olympics took place this March during the Home Show at the Frederick Fairgrounds. The competition is part of an annual tradition where CTC carpentry students use a variety of skills to build two sheds. CTC HVAC, plumbing, and electricity students also compete using a mock set-up inside the sheds. Once the sheds are complete, they are sold for \$3,500 each. Those proceeds are then invested back into the CTC program.

Kernan, Patrick. "CTC Student Builder Olympics test skill." Frederick News-post, 21 March 2022, p. A4

Student Highlights 7

Automotive Technician Career Fair

On April 6th, we held our Spring CTC Auto Tech Career Fair. This career fair is organized by the automotive advisory committee specifically for automotive students seeking career and work-based learning opportunities. There were 20 employers representing almost 100 shops from all over the tri-state area. They met and presented to 38 of our senior and junior automotive technician students. This was our most successful career event to date. Thank you to Dynamic Automotive, DARCARS, Fitzgerald Auto Mall, Second Chances Garage, Shockley Honda, Ford Motor Company, Penske Truck, Churchill Auto Care, WLR Automotive, BMW of Catonsville, MileOne Auto Group, MOPAR CAP, Indel Power Group, Alliance Material Handling, Milex Complete Auto Care, Carter CAT Machinery, MDOT SHA, FCPS, Frederick Motorsports, ASE, and Snap-on Tools. **JOB WELL DONE!**



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8 Positive Interactions

2022 Health and Wellness Fair

The CTC medical assistant students worked diligently to prepare for the Health & Wellness Fair. The theme, "Health is Wealth", was evident in all of their presentations. Almost 400 students attended over a two-day period where they enjoyed fun interactive activities and gained a lot of good information about their health and wellness. There were 12 stations to visit: Benefits of Exercise, Mental Health, Oral Health, Diabetes Prevention, Effects of Smoking, Alcohol & Drug Abuse, Heart Health, Diet & Nutrition, Reproductive Health, Cancer Prevention, Hygiene & Infection Control, and Emergency Preparedness. Thank you to all who attended and helped make the 2022 Health & Wellness Fair a success!



Positive Interactions **9**



Collaboration Never Tasted Better

As the anticipation of spring break was filling the halls of CTC, two classes were putting their “particular set of skills” together in a very tasty collaboration. On Tuesday, the HVAC and plumbing students hosted Culinary Arts crafting, shaping, and bending sheet metal into custom cookie cutters. The culinary students worked alongside the HVAC/Plumbing students using shop equipment and hand tools including soldering irons and torches to assemble their creations. At the end of the class, an impressive arsenal of implements was at the ready. Little

did they know that the triumphs of Tuesday were to be surpassed by what the culinary students were whipping up for Wednesday.

The tables were turned on Wednesday, as Culinary Arts played host to the HVAC/Plumbing crew, cooking up ways to put their new cookie cutters to use. The menu featured a variety of cookies – of course – courtesy of some very clever and creative cutters; pancakes diced into delicious designs drizzled in syrup; and breakfast sandwiches that bypassed the cutter but were better-built with bacon.



After the cooking was complete, the feast commenced with what could only be described as an atmosphere of collaborative pride. After some chaotic clean-up, the HVAC/Plumbing students were sent on their way (the Too Many Cooks in the Kitchen Rule was enforced) and as they walked backed to class, plans were brewing ... what to make next? ... pizza cutters! ... no wait ... a barbeque smoker! ... no wait ...



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Shout Outs!!!

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Thank You!



THANK YOU, CTC teachers and staff, for your hard work and dedication getting students “back into the swing of things” as we came back to school from being virtual!!!

THANK YOU, Mr. Concepcion and Mr. Newkirk, for your support, guidance, and communication throughout another unprecedented school year!!!

So often you find that the students you’re trying to inspire are the ones that end up inspiring you.

-Sean Junkins



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