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MISSION THE CENTER FOR TECHNOLOGY IS COMMITTED TO PROVIDING ALL STUDENTS WITH SUPERIOR ACADEMIC AND TECHNICAL LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES ENABLING THEM TO BECOME SUCCESSFUL AND PRODUCTIVE CITIZENS.

Failure is NOT an Option

The Center for Technology has adopted the High Schools That Work motto-Failure is Not an Option-for the staff and students. Staff members are working together to provide opportunities for students to succeed. Instructors use a variety of teaching styles to encourage student learning and give students ample opportunity to master the competencies that are part of each program. Students



are encouraged to make up work and time missed due to absences through after school and Saturday programs. We want to see

every student who attends the Center for Technology master the skills in the program they attend, earn credits in their program toward successful graduation, and pursue jobs and/or postsecondary educational opportunities.

Author: Dr. Tammie Feathers

CAD Students are Shown the Money at Appalachian Fair

Thirty Computer-Aided Drafting students competed in the Skills USA Drafting Competition this year at the Appalachian Fair. The students entered a total of 505 drawings and won 121 prizes for a total of \$1258. Four advanced students won over \$100 each. The Computer-Aided Drafting

students along with students from other classes assured that the Greeneville-Greene County Center for Technology was the top winner this year for the first time ever. Our students are looking forward to next year's competition. Winning entries are dis-



played in the CAD classroom. These can be picked up from Mrs. Cloyd at the end of the school year.

Author: Tonya Cloyd

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"Keeping score of old scores and scars, getting even and one-upping, always makes one less than you are."

Malcom Forbes

FCCLA Attends Leadership Conference in Knoxville

Five Family Career & Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) officers from the advanced class of Early Childhood Education Careers attended the 2007 Leadership Conference in Knoxville on September 18. Students attending were; Angel Wilkinson, Brandi Ricker, Shawntaine Hartman, Emily Hall and Brittany Courtney.

There were several thousand students from East Tennessee from eight different clubs including FCCLA. Workshops attended by Center for Technology-FCCLA were "Marketing Madness:", "Professionalism", and "Grid-Walk". The students felt this was a great learning opportunity and helped them grow stronger as a team.

Authors: Angel Wilkinson
& Brittany Courtney

CTSO Fall Leadership Conference

Synergy is what it is all about this year. On September 18th, Skills USA officers had their first field trip. This year's Fall Leadership Conference was held in Knoxville, TN. It was an assortment of clubs and career programs. Officers were educated on professionalism, marketing, and the importance of teamwork.

The officers' first seminar was on professionalism. They learned professionalism is a key trait to surviving in the busi-

ness world. Not only your actions, but your appearance and habits create how others see you.

Marketing was the second seminar of the day. This was one of the most important lessons that needed to be learned...the tougher side of the business world, knowing when to hold or take a chance, trying to learn your competitors every move and strategy.

The final seminar of the day was on

teamwork. One of the activities was to help the rest of your team cross on a certain path by memorization skills. As a single person, the course would have been somewhat impossible, but as a team it was almost easy. Students attending the Fall Leadership Conference were recognized for "professional dress" the day of the conference.

Author: Kimberly Denney

New Staff

Dawn Berry-Instructional Assistant

The Center for Technology would like to welcome our new instructional assistant Dawn Berry. Mrs. Berry's duties include assisting teachers as needed and working directly with students.

Before Mrs. Berry came to the CFT, she owned and operated a child care center for 13 years. Mrs. Berry has two children of her own, who are active in their school's football, bas-

ketball, and soccer teams. She enjoys attending the games and being outdoors.

Mrs. Berry said she really enjoys working at the Center for Technology. She says the teachers, as well as the students here, are great.

Welcome Mrs. Berry.

Author: Elizabeth Prince



New Staff Cheri Wolfe-Health Science & Technology

Cheri Wolfe is a new teacher at the Center for Technology in the Health Science and Technology program. She moved to Greeneville from Clearwater, FL. She is adjusting to her new home and her new job. Mrs. Wolfe finds dealing with high school students on a

daily basis to be both challenging and interesting. She likes the idea of helping students to prepare for a future medical career. She is also looking forward to learning more about the Health Science Club (HOSA) and encouraging students to participate in club activities.

Mrs. Wolfe lives in Greeneville with her husband Matt and her two daughters Savannah and Sierra. She enjoys spending time with her family. She also enjoys photography as a hobby.

Author: Hannah Chapman



CAD Students to Take ADDA Certification

ADDA stands for American Design Drafting Association. The advanced Computer-Aided Drafting students are preparing to take the ADDA Drafting Certification test in November. This is an industry certification test. This is a difficult test, but we have high expectations that all Advanced Computer-Aided Drafting students will be certified by graduation.



Instructor Highlight

Vanessa Dabbs-Cosmetology

Vanessa Dabbs has been teaching at the Center for Technology for 28 years. Ms. Dabbs was a Cosmetology student herself when the school opened in 1973. She has attended East TN State University and University of TN-Knoxville. In 2001, Ms. Dabbs was voted Teacher of the Year at the school level by her peers.

Ms. Dabbs has one son, Christian who is a junior at Greeneville High School and is a student in the Criminal Justice program at the Center. Ms. Dabbs attends Friendship Baptist Church where she is actively involved with the youth program and sings in the choir.



Ms. Dabbs says teaching requires caring and patience. She feels it is important to encourage young people to give 100% and to pursue the career of their choice.

It's All About Character

*Watch your thoughts;
they become words.
Watch your words;
they become actions.
Watch your actions
they become habits.
Watch your habits;
they become character.
Watch your character;
it becomes your destiny.*

-Frank Outlaw

Helping Students Learn

A Positive Attitude Can Help You Do Better In School

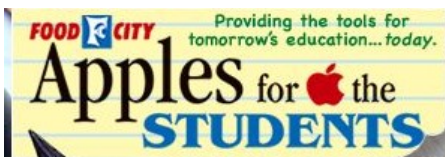
- **Come to class prepared** and be on time-unless you *really* are sick.
- **Be as cheerful as possible.** It is hard to concentrate and learn through a terrible mood. Even if you're in a bad mood, sometimes just putting a smile on your face can make you feel better.
- **Have an open mind.** Believe that

something interesting and even exciting can be learned in class. Don't dismiss it as "boring" or "stupid."

- **Participate.** Offer a comment relevant to the discussion. Ask lots of questions. This is also a great way to show you are paying attention
- **Show respect** for classmates by listening thoughtfully when they speak. Don't talk to your neighbor, crack your knuckles, or roll your eyes and look out the window.

- **Make eye contact** with your teacher. Don't slouch down and try to hide in your chair.
- **Get help if you need it.** Often it's easier to say "I don't care" than to admit you don't understand. Asking for help is not a weakness. Teachers respect students who ask for support.

Taken from Student Tips
The Parent Institute
#5023



The Greeneville-Greene County Center for Technology can benefit from Food City receipts through the Apples for Students program.

This year, the program features a new element. Rather than gathering the actual register receipts as in years past, customers may let the cashier know what school they would like their purchases to benefit. The cashier may then enter a five digit code (40458) which will automatically

alert the system of the corresponding school to credit with the order purchases. This new upgrade will make points collection easier for everyone - the schools, parents, and students. Food City first initiated their Apples for the Students program during the 1990-91 school year.

The 2007-2008 Apples for the Students program continues through March 29, 2008. Food City has pledged a total of \$850,000 in contributions for the upcoming school year.

"Food City has always been a leader in supporting the education of our youth

through projects like our Apples for the Students Program," commented Ron Bonacci, director of loyalty marketing for Food City. "Last school year alone, we contributed \$848,866 in supplies to participating schools."


Since the programs inception in 1990, Food City's Apples for the Students program has donated a total of \$10,930,645 in much needed educational equipment to over 800 participating area schools..

Belief Statements

1. All students can learn.
2. Students learn best when instruction is applied in a meaningful context.
3. Learning should be assessed by a variety of instruments and strategies.
4. Decision-making should be a shared process involving students, staff, parents, and community members.
5. Relationships among people flourish in an environment that includes safety, comfort and friends.

We're on the Web!
gcschools.net/cft

October 2007

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31 			

October 5 Staff Development
No County Students

October 10 Advisory Council meeting

October 12 Money Due for Field Trip to Fun Expedition for Voc. Clubs

October 20 Vocational Clubs to Fun Expedition

October 26 UETEC Inservice
No Students

October 29 Fall Break



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