



North Carolina State Fair Winners!

The Residential Construction Technology II students attended the North Carolina State Fair on October 17-18. Daniel Simmons and Max Barlowe competed in the Apprenticeship carpentry competition while there. In this competition, participants were given a set of blueprints that required them to build a small building. Daniel placed second and Max placed fourth in the competition. Congratulations!!



Daniel makes precise cuts for his project.



Max makes sure that this board aligns perfectly.

First CCCMC Yearbook!



An exciting event will occur the week after Thanksgiving! The "2007 Round Table," the first yearbook, will arrive at Caldwell Career Center Middle College. The seniors have anxiously been waiting for their yearbook from last year, and it is finally going to arrive. The very first Round Table will be bound in black and contains 120 pages of colorful pictures and captions. Many seniors have already paid their down-payment, and it is time to complete the purchase. Please bring in your remaining balance before Thanksgiving break. There are going to be several extra copies, so if you missed out on the down-payment last year there is still time to make sure you get a yearbook! Just pay the total cost (\$60) before you leave for Thanksgiving Break! We will have a signing seminar soon after they arrive!

CCC&TI Student Fees



Please remember to pay all CCC&TI student fees by December 4th. The fee schedule is \$7 per course, up to a maximum of \$28 for the spring semester. Students will need to go to the CCC&TI Business office and pay these fees. The student will be receiving a copy of their invoice before Thanksgiving.

For fees not paid by December 4th, college courses will be dropped from the student's schedule. If the college courses are dropped at this time, it will be difficult to schedule the students into alternate college courses. Thanks for paying these fees on time. Please let us know if you have questions about these amounts.



CCCMC Students Participate in CCC&TI's Fall Festival!

On October 25th, CCC&TI held its Fall Festival. The theme of the festival was Renaissance. There was food, a talent show, and plenty of opportunities to buy crafts, food, and other items. All students from CCCMC participated. The students enjoyed the meal provided by Wild Hog Barbecue. This is just one of the benefits that CCCMC students enjoy as being part of the student population on CCC&TI's campus. A special thanks to CCC&TI's Student Government Association for their hard work!

PAC Elects New Officers!

The PAC (Parent Advisory Council) is off to a great start for the 2007-2008 school year. The new officers are:

Wendy McGhinnis:	President
Danial and Deborah Street:	Co-Vice-Presidents
Lorie Ingle:	Secretary
Teresa Williams:	Treasurer



Parents, please send Mrs. McGhinnis your e-mail if you would like to receive updates about PAC activities. Her e-mail address is wmcghinnis@charter.net. The PAC is currently working on fundraising, prom, and creating the by-laws for the parent organization.

The first fundraising activity, a bake sale, will be held on Saturday, November 17th at Wal-Mart. The bake sale will occur from 7:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. Setup will begin at 6:00 a.m. in front of the Wal-Mart in Lenoir. If you are willing to participate, please let Mrs. McGhinnis know via e-mail or call her at 310.3521. Thanks for your support!

Student Leadership Conference Participants

The fourth annual Caldwell County Schools Student Leadership Conference will be held on December 3-4 at the Catholic Conference Center in Hickory. Student leaders from the Caldwell Career Center Middle College, Hibriten High School, South Caldwell High School, and West Caldwell High School will attend this conference. Students selected by their school faculties will spend one and a half days at this conference, attending sessions on Parliamentary Procedure, Stage Decorum/Public Speaking, Business Etiquette/Social Graces, and the Myers-Briggs Personality Inventory. A total of 80 students, along with eight advisors, will attend each of the four sessions. Students will then compete in Public Speaking, Parliamentary Procedure, and Stage Decorum. Winners in each of these three categories receive points for their school. The school which accumulates the most points for the overall competition will receive the Perpetual Plaque that is passed from winning school to winning school each year.



The event culminates with a banquet, attended by the student participants, high school principals, and county school leaders. The banquet keynote address will be delivered by the winning public speaker.

In school year 2004-2005, the Career Center won the first annual student leadership conference. The following students will try to bring home the plaque again this year: Carson Annis, Kala Annis, Isaac Beane, Maihlee Chue, Brittany Church, Caleb Coffey, Lorena Cowart, Casey Cox, Teddy Esch, Jimmy Hilton, Jordan Hoyle, Robert Kidwell, Cory Koontz, Kendra Milhorne, Jeremiah Seetaram, Cody Silvers, and Kaydee Street. Mr. Stan Vines and Mrs. Kimberly Poole will be the advisors for this conference.

This conference is made possible through a Tech Prep Grant awarded to Caldwell County Schools. Good luck Career Center Middle College students!

Math World

Tech Math students have been designing parking lots and mazes. Will Stella got really creative with his maze . . . The students have also designed toys to build out of wood for Christmas presents. Of course, now they have to build them.

Algebra 2 students are working on equations. Geometry students are becoming experts in triangles.



Thanksgiving Thoughts!

Thanksgiving thoughts are the kind of thoughts that we should have all year long.

For it is the folks with thankful hearts whose lives are filled with song.

We should take time for kindness to those we hold most dear, and just extend a helping hand to others through the year.

Let's set aside some quiet time and share it with a friend.

For friendships bring a special joy and pleasure without end.

So may the blessings of this day that I would ask for you, now fill you with Thanksgiving Peace that lasts the whole year through!

~Anonymous

Chili Cookoff A Success!

Each Fall, the CCCMC Advisories participate in a competition! Last year, the students competed in a catapult “junkyard” war! This year, the students and advisors decided to sponsor a chili cookoff.

Each advisory, there are seven, was given \$50 to spend on their project. The rubric required the students to cook their chili, have a spectacular table presentation, and present an oral presentation to the judges. The judges for the competition included Kathy Carroll, school grant project director, and Ms. Leona Brothers and Mr. Joey Hawkins, current CCC&TI culinary students.

The Evolutionaries, Mr. Fox’s advisory, won the chili cookoff. Their presentation included each student participating with music playing in the background. The chili recipe included a “sweet” taste, which the judges enjoyed. Congratulations to all advisories for an excellent competition. The scores were extremely close!



The Raptors provided a great memento for the event!



The Evolutionaries won the judges favor with their “sweet” chili!



Patrick dressed the Chef part!



The Skilltaculars showed off their wonderful smiles!



Updated Computer Labs!

The Information Technology computer labs were recently updated by CCC&TI. Information Technology students can now enjoy working on the “latest and greatest” equipment in their classes. Thanks to CCC&TI for getting the labs updated before the new year! :-)



Celebration for SkillsUSA National Champions!

The official celebration of the SkillsUSA TeamWorks National Champions in Caldwell County will be held on Thursday, November 15th at 10:00 a.m. at the Broyhill Civic Center. Dr. June Atkinson, North Carolina State Superintendent, will speak at this event. Please mark your calendars with the date!

November/December Birthdays!



Danielle Conner	November 3
Zach Ferguson	November 23
Chris Anders	November 23
William Stella	November 28
Lauren Gragg	December 5
Mrs. Ramsey	December 9
Mr. Swanson	December 12
Kaydee Street	December 14
Michael Griffin	December 22
Brittany Church	December 31

REMINDERS!!

Washington/Florida Trips—
you must let Mrs. Williams know by
Tuesday, November 20 if you
plan on going! Thanks!

**PAC (Parents’ Advisory Council)
Meeting
Tuesday, December 4th
6:00 p.m., Room J246**

Congratulations to "A" Honor Roll Recipients for the first nine-weeks!

Kiaya Beheler
Tiffany Bratcher
Lauren Gragg
Allison Reid

Congratulations to "B" Honor Roll Recipients for the first nine-weeks!

Brittany Church	Teddy Esch
Robert Colley	Kayla Poovey
Lorena Cowart	Aaron Stamper
Casey Cox	Kaydee Street

Congratulations to "Principal's List" Honor Roll Recipients for the first nine-weeks!

Dorothy Andrews	Cameron Chandler	Mark Reighard
Carson Annis	Caleb Coffey	Jeremiah Seetaram
Kala Annis	Jimmy Hilton	Daniel Simmons
Torrie Banner	Kalib Hood	Clifton Stone
Max Barlowe	Ashley Ingle	Cody Vaughan
Brianna Buff	Kendra Milhorne	

Calendar Reminders

On Wednesday, November 21, there are no high school classes, but college classes are in regular session. CCCMC students should attend college classes on November 21.

On Monday, December 17, there are no high school classes, but this is the last day for college exams. If you have a college exam on that day, please make transportation arrangements to be here. Thanks!



Senior Announcements!

Please remember to check outside Mrs. Williams' door for updated scholarship information.

The College Foundation of North Carolina is sponsoring **Free College Application Week** for November 12th-16th. Check at cfnc.org for the colleges that will waive the fee for the 2007 College Application Week.

Our school SAT number is 340536. You will need this when you register to take the SAT at www.collegeboard.com.

A financial aid night is being held at the Civic Center on Thursday, November 15th at 6:30. This is being sponsored by the College Foundation of North Carolina and Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute. They will have great information; please attend!



EOC Testing

EOC Testing for the semester classes of Physical Science and Biology will be in December. Physical Science will be held on December 13th; Biology will be held on December 14th.

The Vo-CATs and EOC exams for those students taking NCVPS online classes will be held on January 8th. These include Civics and Economics, E-Commerce II, Principles of Business and Personal Finance, and Small Business Entrepreneurship.

If you could serve as a proctor one of these days, we would be most appreciative.

Please encourage your students to study and do well on these first exams of the year. Thanks!

National Education Week November 11-17

"Whatever it takes, our kids are worth it!"

Students Build Podiums for Happy Valley School!

As part of the Mr. Winn's Residential Construction Level 1 class, students not only learn the principles of building a house and general construction, but also learn cabinet making and detail trim work. As part of detail trim work, students began learning the techniques, principles and applications of miter cuts, using table saws, circular saws, miter saws and an assortment of hand tools used for this purpose. Math principles of geometry, addition of fractions and decimals are also applied. After the raw wood materials have been precisely measured and cut, students began to assemble the various parts into a semi-completed project. Next students began the sanding process and coating applications.

At the conclusion of this project, students Tyler and Allen presented three podiums to Happy Valley School.





Mr. Jason Murphy, Caldwell County Homebuilder's Association President, presented the CCCMC Student Association with a certificate. The officers, Patrick Brittain, Carson, Annis, Danyell Riggins, and Dorothy Andrews accepted the certificate for the group.

Caldwell County Homebuilders Meet at CCCMC!

On Thursday, November 8th, the CCCMC chapter of the Student Homebuilders Association hosted the Caldwell County Homebuilders Association meeting. The students were in charge of the meeting. They presented the members with a synopsis of the construction programs offered at CCCMC. Projects were emphasized, including both technical/academic and community service projects.

Mrs. Elizabeth Crump, apprenticeship coordinator for Caldwell County Schools explained the apprenticeship program to the prospective employers. Ms. Kincaid, principal of CCCMC, explained the recent changes in the school and the addition of Engineering Technology for the 2008-2009 school year. Mr. Fox, residential construction instructor, explained the SkillsUSA organization and the competitive events.

The members enjoyed a meal from Hannah's Barbecue, with the students serving as hosts. There were about thirty members of the group in attendance.

Fifth Career Center House Underway!

The Residential Construction students have been hard at work on the fifth Career Center House. The house, located in the Deer Creek subdivision, will have three bedrooms, two full baths, a living room, a kitchen, ample storage area, and a two-car garage.

The Caldwell County Education Foundation provides the support needed to make the Career Center house a reality. The targeted completion date for the 2007-2008 house is May 2008.




Mark Twain Comes Alive!

On Tuesday, November 13, CCCMC juniors traveled to the Broyhill Civic Center to learn about Mark Twain. Guest Speaker Elliot Engle, a noted historian, professor, and author, delivered an excellent talk on Mark Twain which very conveniently coincided with American Studies. Both US History and American Literature are exploring the time period in which Mark Twain used his scathing wit to commentate upon "good" society! The talk explored what life was like at turn of the century America, exactly who Mark Twain would have been writing for, and reasons why he would target his particular audience. Students and teachers from all over Caldwell County were treated to a unique learning experience!

"Thousands of geniuses live and die undiscovered--either by themselves or by others."

November/December 2007

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
11	12 Veteran's Day Holiday	13 Elliot Engel—Mark Twain presentation at 12:30 (Students and Faculty) CCC&TI Job Fair from 11:00-1:00 CCCMC hosts Webinar for Caldwell County Schools (NCVPS) at 1:30 Trio Induction at 6:30—Civic Center	14 Progress reports and newsletters will be distributed to all students	15 SkillsUSA Celebration at the Civic Center at 10:00 a.m.; Dr. June Atkinson featured speaker! Fast Food Day Financial Aid Night at Civic Center at 6:30	16 SkillsUSA Meeting at 10:25 (Olson's advisory in charge)	17 PAC Bake Sale from 7:00-11:00 at Wal-Mart in Lenoir; Setup begins at 6:00
				<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;"> Science Conference in Greensboro </div>		
<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block; width: 100%;"> American Education Week—“Whatever it takes, our kids are worth it!” </div>						
18	19 Board of Education Meeting at 7:00	20	21	22 	23 Happy Birthday, Zach Ferguson! Happy Birthday, Chris Anders!	24
			<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block; width: 100%;"> Thanksgiving Holidays </div>			
25	26	27	28 Happy Birthday, Will Stella!	29	30 Advisory from 10:25-10:55 (Competitive events)	1
2	3	4 PAC Meeting at 6:00 in J246	5 Happy Birthday, Lauren Gragg!	6 Fast Food Day! Student Homebuilders Meeting at 2:45	7 SkillsUSA Meeting at 10:25 Newsletter articles due by 3:00 today!	8
9	10	11	12	13 Physical Science EOC	14 Biology EOC End of the second nine weeks Happy Birthday, Kaydee Street!	15