



Spring 2022

COMPACT Points

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News from the Six District Educational Compact

Cuyahoga Falls • Hudson • Kent • Stow-Munroe Falls • Tallmadge • Woodridge



Andrew Shaheen, Danny Batyrbaev, Will Holland displaying their Food Innovations presentation

Woodridge hosts FCCLA regional competition

This March, Woodridge High School, under the direction of Family and Consumer Science instructor, **Leah Norris**, hosted the Ohio Family, Career and Community Leaders of America Region 2 Career Development Events competition. Students from surrounding area high schools attended the day-long competition, along with many volunteer room consultants, judges and evaluators. Eleven teams from Compact schools earned either Gold or Silver for their presentation and will move on to compete at the state level at the end of April.

Stow-Munroe Falls High School:

Sami Al-Obaid, Zack Bournival: Chapter Service Project Display - Gold

Lily Bournival, Emmah Hipsag, Anna Peeler: Chapter Service Project Display - Gold

Tallmadge High School:

Jessica Vaught: Language and Literacy - Gold

Emily Rotunda: Observation and Assessment - Silver

Alexis Starnes: Early Childhood Education - Silver

Woodridge High School:

Rachael Demangeont, Cameron Hoover, Anna Kleinhenz: Professional Presentation - Gold

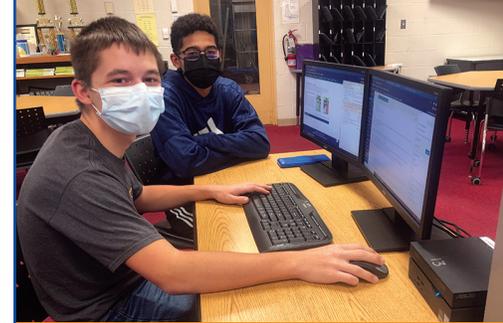
Kathryn Kiley, Rachel LaGuardia, Joy McFarland: National Programs in Action - Gold

Racheal Serafimov: Interpersonal Communications - Gold

Danny Batyrbaev, Will Holland, Andrew Shaheen: Food Innovations - Gold

Leah Brinson, Alexis Mathis: Focus On Children - Gold

Jordan Linton, Paige Powell: Chapter Service Project Display - Gold



Emmett Johnson (left) and Elijah Rogers (right)

Programming students collaborate on website optimization project

Level II Programming and Software Development (Stow-Munroe Falls High School) students **Emmett Johnson** (Stow-Munroe Falls) and **Elijah Rogers** (Stow-Munroe Falls) worked alongside Compact webmaster, **Mark Welfley**, this school year on a website optimization project. The goal of this collaboration was to update the Compact website to make it more user-friendly and compatible with mobile devices. Welfley stated that the “students did an excellent job,” while program instructor **Terri Whitmer** states that her students were, “very invested in the project,” and was pleased that they were able to both apply techniques learned in class and discover new approaches throughout the project. Mrs. Whitmer thanks Mr. Welfley for his support in providing the students with this authentic learning opportunity.

33rd Annual Reading & Writing Festival



Scott Reintgen, Guest Author

Area middle school students fueled their passion for reading and writing this April at the 33rd annual Reading and Writing Festival held at Kent State University. Guest author, **Scott Reintgen**, shared inspiring words regarding his life and successes while reminding students to not be afraid to fail. Scott is the author of the *Nyxia*, *Ashlords*, and *Tailspinners* series and his latest novel is *The Problem with Prophecies*. Students were entertained by storyteller, writer and teacher, **Kevin Cordi**, who provided an opening tale to the audience. Students also participated in small group sessions including topics such as Book Jeopardy, Journalism Interview, Poetry Alive, Book Breakout and Drama to name a few.

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Zach Long

Zachary Long, 2009 completer of the Project SEARCH program from Cuyahoga Falls, has worked for Summa Health since he completed the program. He began his career as a patient transporter and over the years became one of the department's trainers. He trained all new hires, as well as any Project SEARCH students within the department. Recently, Zach was promoted to a work leader in the Vascular Department. Zach shares that Project SEARCH helped prepare him for employment by providing him with help on interview skills and experience with attention to detail and communication skills.

Project SEARCH is a collaborative, Compact site-based initiative located at Summa Health that aims to prepare students for employment. The Compact is proud of Zachary's successes, promotion and commitment to 13 years of work at Summa Health.

IT Academy creates virtual reality lab

This school year, IT Academy (Cuyahoga Falls High School) students have taken a deep dive into the world of virtual reality (VR). Students are investigating how VR is going to change the future of the IT field and are spending time in the Virtual Reality/Design lab within the classroom. Students are currently building two brand new VR ready computers to finish the lab space, and working desperately hard to beat



Arthur Merchant (Hudson)

the VR game, *Beat Saber!* Additionally, students have been busy working to stop networks from being hacked and computers from breaking down.



TACA students on the set of *Mamma Mia!*

TACA Update

The Theater Arts Career Academy (Tallmadge High School) students have been hard at work this school year! Students have auditioned and landed roles in both fall and spring productions at many of our Compact schools. Most recently, Tallmadge High School's production of *Mamma Mia!* featured TACA students **Logan Hanselman** (Cuyahoga Falls), **Aidan Johnson** (Tallmadge), and **Trevor Moravcik** (Stow Munroe-Falls) in leading roles. Additionally, the Set Design and Construction class designed and built the set for the production, with senior **Isabella Casterline** (Stow-Munroe Falls) taking the lead on the original design with **Britney Cox** (Stow-Munroe Falls) designing specific set pieces.

Also this spring, *The Addams Family: A New Musical Comedy* at Stow Munroe-Falls High School, featured **Britney Cox** (Stow Munroe-Falls) in the leading role of Morticia Addams and **Max Motz** (Stow Munroe-Falls) playing the role of Pugsley.



Aeronautics student earns private pilot license

Andrew Barr (Stow-Munroe Falls) is a senior in the Aeronautics Careers Academy (Stow-Munroe Falls High School) who recently earned his private pilot license. Andrew started pilot training during his junior year in the ACA program at Aerotrek Flight Academy in Wadsworth. This accomplishment requires an individual to obtain over 40 hours in

the airplane and each hour in the plane requires between 4-5 hours of preparation and debriefing. "Andrew is a very motivated student who quickly masters content and will often help others do the same," says program instructor **Todd Remeneric**. Andrew plans to attend Geneva College to become a corporate pilot and shares that he is appreciative of the support of both Mr. Remeneric and his flight instructor, **Neftali Bonifacio**, for their roles in completing this goal.

Auto Tech holds skills competition

The Hudson Auto Technologies program held a friendly skills competition in April with the Compact Cuyahoga Falls Auto Tech program and the Ellet Auto Tech program. Students competed in teams on a variety of assessments, including Precision Engine Measurement, Tire Mounting Balance and Wheel Alignment. Industry partners and supporters from Klaben, Stark State & Shelby American served as judges and provided prizes.



Prizes and swag donated by industry partners

C.A.R.E. committee recognizes district winners and healthcare professionals at annual event

After a two-year respite due to the pandemic, the C.A.R.E. committee held its annual awards ceremony and dinner in April, to honor both winners that were selected in 2020 as well as numerous individuals that provided exceptional dedication to the districts during the Covid-19 pandemic. The energy was high as the districts celebrated the important roles of so many who work diligently and compassionately to support the needs of the families in our communities.

Susan Howiler was honored as the recipient of the Community Award of Appreciation, for her support and contributions to the C.A.R.E. program during her 18 years of work as the administrative assistant for the Six District Educational Compact.

Pictured are the district honorees, as well as district nurses, Akron Children's Hospital, the Kent City Health Department and the Summit County Health Department that the Compact superintendents recognized for their unwavering commitment to providing the districts with accurate and timely information, encouragement and assistance for over two years during the Covid-19 pandemic.



Tallmadge: TMS Principal Jeff Manion, C.A.R.E. Coordinator Rosalie Ganito, district honoree Laura Wieland, Superintendent Steve Wood, HR Director Shelley Monachino, THS Principal Mike Householder



District superintendents shared appreciation to many who provided support during the pandemic



Cuyahoga Falls: BMS Principal Carrie Walter, district honoree Melissa Fitzsimmons, Interim Superintendent Rusty Chaboudy, CFHS Principal Allison Bogdan, C.A.R.E. Coordinator Holly Merkle



Kent: C.A.R.E. Coordinator Jacquie People Dukes, district honoree Tracie Giffin, Superintendent George Joseph

Stow-Munroe Falls: Principal Dr. Jeff Hartmann, district honoree Samantha Pfeiffer, C.A.R.E. Coordinator Tina Burdette, Superintendent Tom Bratten



Woodridge: C.A.R.E. Coordinator Robert Sykes, district honoree Jeff Wilhite, Superintendent Walter Davis, Principal Joel Morgan



Hudson: District honoree Mike Miller, C.A.R.E. Coordinator Cecilia Frammartino-Kotlyn, District nurse Kate Mirth, Interim Superintendent Steve Farnsworth



**Susan Howiler, Compact Executive Director
Mary Jane Stanchina**



Special recognition to the district nurses, the Kent City Health Department, and the Summit County Health Department

News from around the Compact...



Front: Logan Watson (Tallmadge), Matt Keleman (Stow), Emilee Elliott (Cuyahoga Falls), Lorena Villarreal (Cuyahoga Falls)
Middle: Evan Legnani (Kent), Ryan Noble (Kent), Andrew Kriska (Stow), Kaeden Cyc (Woodridge), Sam Borthwick (Stow), Max White (Stow), Mrs. Laura Eyring (Instructor)
Rear: Caleb Mancuso (Woodridge), Isaiah Ulrich (Tallmadge), Carter Jagger (Cuyahoga Falls) Mr. Jeff Bee (Instructor)

Engineering Academy students place at annual Bridge Building Contest

Five teams from the Engineering Academy (Kent Roosevelt & Stow-Munroe Falls High Schools) competed in the 21st Annual Summit County Engineer's Miniature Bridge Building Contest. Out of 28 total bridge entries in the contest, three of the top five were from the Engineering Academy. **Ryan Noble, Evan Legnani and Ricky Legg** (all from Kent) took home the 4th place award. Earning the 3rd Place award was the team consisting of, **Maxwell White** (Stow-Munroe Falls), **Lorena Villarreal** and **Emilee Elliott** (both from Cuyahoga Falls). Bringing home the 1st Place award was **Kaeden Cyc** (Woodridge), **Carter Jagger** (Cuyahoga Falls), and **Samuel Borthwick** (Stow-Munroe Falls). Students designed their bridges in CAD and then constructed them out of balsa wood. Their bridges were tested to see how much weight they could carry before failing. A volunteer group of civil engineers from engineering firms judged each bridge. Students were able to apply techniques they have learned in the program such as design, engineering, construction and project management and also displayed perseverance and creativity during the competition.

New Manufacturing program for Fall 2022

Modern Manufacturing for Employment (MME), at Stow-Munroe High School, will prepare students for in-demand careers in manufacturing by teaching the essential skills necessary to run and make repairs on manufacturing machines. Employability skills are also a focus of MME and paid employment and apprenticeships will be available for students their senior year. **Dave Helmick**, current Engineering Academy Polymers/Materials Science instructor will be the program instructor and will also continue teaching in the Academy.

HCT students participate in valuable externship opportunities



Zaleah Wright



Lucy Clapper

Level II seniors in the Health Careers Technologies program (Kent Roosevelt High School) land a variety of externships at local healthcare facilities throughout the school year. Many of these externships are paid and provide students with excellent opportunities to work alongside healthcare professionals and gain real-world experience in a variety of environments. Roosevelt seniors **Zaleah Wright** and **Lucy Clapper** work as patient care interns at University Hospital Portage Medical Center. They have a wide variety of responsibilities including transferring patients, stocking supplies, lab deliveries and answering call lights. Zaleah shares that she, "loves interacting with the many health care workers" at UH and that she is thankful for the opportunity. Additional HCT seniors are currently interning at Summa and Western Reserve Hospitals as dietary aides, at a local chiropractic facility and at a rehabilitation center.



Row 1 - Kianna Murphy, Maya King, Zoe Rensel, Kylie DeSilva, Ashlyn Severns, Mia Zappola
Row 2 - Connor Green, Michael Carter, Sean Nelson, John Yang, Jake Rentsch, Dane Leon, Kobe Mahameed, Not Pictured: Prayush Upadhyaya

Business Pathway students place in regional competition

Business Pathway (Tallmadge High School) students in the Fundamentals of Business class, instructed by **Joni Giles**, competed in the Region 10 Business Professionals of American competitions this winter. Students from Summit, Portage, and Medina Counties participated and all Business Pathway students placed in the top 10 in their respective competitions! Congratulations!

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