



Criminal Justice

News about a College Tech Prep Program from the Six District Educational Compact



New partnership with Stark State College

Criminal Justice College Tech Prep has a new partnership with Stark State College.

Thanks to the newly developed articulation agreement, every student in the program will have the opportunity to earn both high school and college credit simultaneously if they so choose. Twelve semester credits will be available, and they will transfer to any public college or university in Ohio.

Courses offered through the new partnership include:

Level I - Introduction to Criminal Justice and Introduction to Policing

Level II - Introduction to Corrections and Criminology

These four courses allow students in the program to get a wide variety of information and background knowledge that will help them decide what direction they would like to continue in this career field.

Angela Smith Alder, Coordinator of Justice Studies at Stark State College, says, "The Justice Studies program at Stark State College is very excited and pleased to be working with the Six District Educational Compact to offer four of our best criminal justice courses through the College Credit Plus program. Students will be able to complete up to 12 college credits in criminal justice, all transferable to any public college or university in Ohio."

She continues, "The courses are taught by experts in the field and will provide an outstanding educational experience for the students. The rigor of the coursework will also help them prepare for college. We already have a great working relationship with instructor **Shane Parker** and we plan for that to continue long into the future!"

Worksite visit to Summit County Juvenile Justice Center



Clockwise from left, **Paige Haubert, Cuyahoga Falls**; **Magistrate Rita Rochford behind the bench**; **Jacob Carelton, Cuyahoga Falls in the witness box**; **Donovan Mills, Cuyahoga Falls**; and **Ian Sheline, Stow-Munroe Falls**.

Level I Criminal Justice students made a worksite visit to the Summit County Juvenile Justice Center. They got a first-hand, behind-the-scenes look at how the Juvenile Justice system operates.

Students interacted with staff members in a number of career pathways, including Probation Officer, Social Worker, Magistrate, Judge, Corrections Officer, Community Corrections Supervisor, Electronic Monitoring Supervisor, and Guardian ad litem.

As a part of this authentic learning experience, three students were selected to be fitted with an electronic monitoring device (EMD) also known as an ankle bracelet. The students wore the EMD for three days and nights with their every move monitored and tracked. These results were displayed for the entire group to see.

According to teacher **Shane Parker**, "This served as not only a very cool experience, but also a sociological experiment as well, because the students all recorded being looked at and treated differently while wearing their EMDs."

As part of their worksite visit, students in the program also saw a juvenile hearing room and were locked briefly in a holding cell. Magistrate **Rita Rochford** was instrumental in arranging for the visit.



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Speaker from Police Academy helps students learn through role play activities



Commander Jerry Snay explains the details to Kallie Newberry, Hudson.



College Tech Prep Criminal Justice

This College Tech Prep Program, located at Cuyahoga Falls High School, offers students opportunities to gain knowledge of the American Criminal Justice System and Police Work and Practice in Public Safety. Areas of concentration available for Level II include Homeland Security and Security and Protective Services.



Jacob Carleton, Cuyahoga Falls, and Commander Jerry Snay role play a traffic stop.

Jerry Snay, Commander of the Stark State Police Academy, recently spoke to Criminal Justice students. According to instructor **Shane Parker**, "Commander Snay touched on many things, but his biggest message involved the importance of discretion on the part of police officers. For example, he walked students through a mock traffic stop process and involved them in a role play activity."

Parker continues. "Commander Snay did an outstanding job and was able to portray a wide array of different scenarios that can happen during a traffic stop and how police discretion plays such a major role."

Skills necessary for success

- Ability to carry out detailed tasks and follow multi-part directions
- Organizational skills
- Ability to visualize completed projects
- Reading comprehension projects
- Reading comprehension and technical writing skills
- Ability to break down a problem and systematically check each part until a solution is found

Professional Pathways

- Crime Scene Photography
- Red Cross
- Military
- Private Sector – Emergency Programs, Contractors
- Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms Agencies
- Fish and Wildlife Agencies
- Sheriff's Department
- Local Police
- Security Guard
- TSA Homeland Security