

Director's Update:



Hello Excel TECC Parents and Students! Once again, it has been an extremely successful year for our Excel TECC programs. This year we celebrated 469 Excel TECC graduates throughout our 22 programs. Because of their Excel TECC programs, our students have earned hundreds of thousands of dollars in scholarships, college credits, internships, full time jobs and most importantly they take with them the skills and knowledge from their program to the next journey in their lives. Some of our students will continue their passion in post-secondary education and some are entering directly into the workforce. One thing remains central – Excel TECC has prepared them! To our graduating seniors, we wish you the best in all your future endeavors. Always be proud that you were, are, and always will be a member of the Excel TECC Family! Have a great summer everyone.

--Nate Bishko, Director of Excel TECC

Dates & Times: Mark Your Calendar

{Based on the Mayfield Schools calendar}

*** Some dates may vary, if your program is not hosted at Mayfield please confirm dates with your instructor or host school. Thank you.**

Thursday, August 21, 2025:	First day of Excel TECC programs
October & November 2025:	Enrollment Campaign Begins with presentations at each respective Excel TECC member high school for the Sophomore class. Please check with your school's Guidance Department for specific dates. Thank you.
December 1-10, 2025:	Open House with each Excel TECC program at their respective program location.
December 11, 2025, through January 9, 2026:	Excel TECC Application Window is Open: apply at this time to qualify to earn one of the guaranteed seats from your respective high school.
February 2, 2026:	Excel invitations sent to all qualified candidates and waiting lists established.
February 13, 2026:	Candidates offered Excel TECC seats must confirm their acceptance by 11:59 PM.
April 23, 2026:	National Technical Honor Society Assembly at Mayfield High School, 7:45 AM.
May 15, 2026:	"A DAY IN THE LIFE" Sophomore Experience at Excel TECC for incoming students.
May 15, 2026:	Last Excel TECC day for Seniors, Class of 2026.
May 22, 2026:	Last day of class for Excel TECC Juniors, Class of 2027.
May 28, 2026:	Excel TECC New Parent Orientation at Mayfield High School, 6:30 PM

Celebrating a Year of Achievement at the Mayfield City Schools: Excel TECC Construction Trades Training Facility

Rick Zivny, Instructor

As another successful year concludes at the Mayfield City Schools Construction Trades Training Facility, we proudly recognize the accomplishments of our graduating senior class. These 26 talented students are now prepared to take the next step in building their futures, equipped with the skills, knowledge, and determination to succeed in a variety of career paths.

We extend our heartfelt congratulations and best wishes to each graduate as they embark on their next chapter:

- Union Carpenters: 4 students will begin their careers with The AVM Group, Flats Construction, Higley Construction, and McMeehan Construction.
- Union Commercial Roofer: 1 student will join Warren Roofing and Insulation.
- Union Commercial Painter: 1 student will work with Capital Painting Inc.
- Field Supervisor: 1 student will take on a leadership role with Cleveland Construction.
- Electricians: 5 students will join Tri-County Electric, and 1 student will work with Northern Lights Electric.
- Electrical Apprenticeship: 2 students have been accepted into the Union Electrical Apprenticeship Training Center.
- College-Bound for Construction Management: 4 students will pursue degrees at Bowling Green State University, Cuyahoga Community College (Tri-C), and Lakeland Community College.
- Other College Pursuits:
 - 1 student will study Marketing at Tri-C.
 - 1 student will major in Business Management at Franciscan University.
 - 1 student will pursue Mechanical Engineering at Cleveland State University (CSU).
 - 1 student will study Business Administration at Lakeland Community College.
 - 1 student will major in Exercise Science at CSU.
- Real Estate: 1 student is pursuing a Real Estate License.
- Military Service: 1 student has enlisted in the U.S. Army as an MQ-1 Unmanned Aircraft Systems Operator.

We are incredibly proud of our graduates and the diverse paths they are taking. Their hard work and dedication have laid a strong foundation for future success.

I look forward to welcoming and guiding next year's class as we continue to build futures—one student at a time.



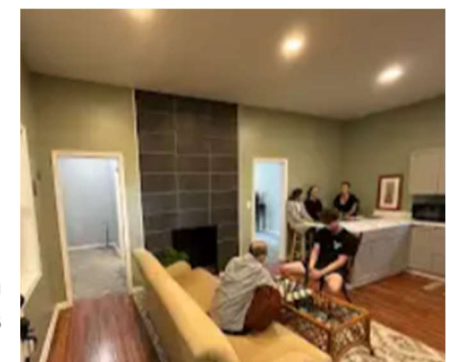
The Construction Trades Open House featured three homes constructed by Construction Trades students



One of two homes built by Construction Trades juniors



The two-bedroom home built by Construction Trades seniors



The senior class home featured high ceilings and aging-in-place features

Mayfield Cosmetology Program Update

Mrs. Hummell and Mrs. Kall, Instructors

As the school year wraps up, we want to take a moment to recognize and celebrate our incredible students and share some exciting news about what's ahead.

🎓 Congratulations to Our Seniors!

We send our best wishes to the Class of 2025 as they prepare to take the State Board of Cosmetology Exam. Your hard work and dedication have brought you to this milestone, and we couldn't be prouder. Good luck—we know you'll do great!

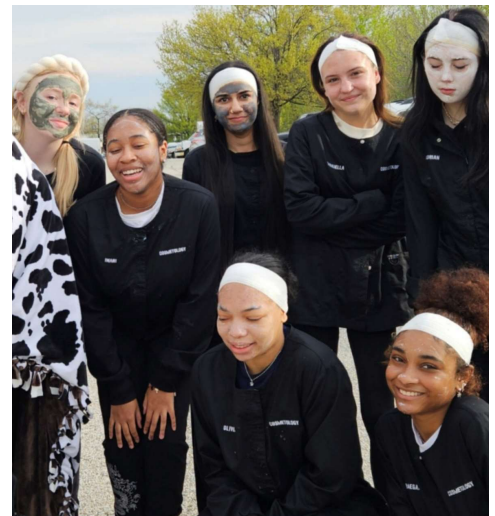


Junior Internships and Certification

Our junior students are already preparing for next year by securing internship placements at local salons. Over the summer and into the fall, our staff will visit these locations to conduct orientations and support students as they transition into these hands-on learning experiences. In the meantime, juniors are completing their certification tests, which will make them eligible to participate in our customer clinic in the upcoming school year.

Welcome, Incoming Juniors – Class of 2027!

We're thrilled to welcome a full class of incoming juniors to the Mayfield Cosmetology program. The energy and excitement from this new group of future professionals is contagious, and we can't wait to get started.



Customer Clinic Reopens This Fall

The Mayfield Cosmetology Customer Clinic will reopen to the public starting in September 2025. A specific opening date will be announced at the start of the school year.

Our rising seniors are eager to showcase their talents and apply the skills they've been mastering in class. We look forward to serving the community once again with high-quality salon services at student-friendly prices.



Thank You for a Great Year!

To our students, families, community partners, and salon mentors—thank you for your continued support and encouragement. You make everything we do possible, and we're excited about what's going to come.

Here's to another successful year ahead at Mayfield Cosmetology!



A Landmark Season at the Academy for the Performing Arts

The 2024–2025 academic year has been nothing short of extraordinary for the Academy for the Performing Arts. From October through May, our students captivated audiences with a season of dynamic performances, each one a testament to their dedication, creativity, and professional-level artistry. With sold-out shows, standing ovations, and transformative experiences both on and off stage, this year marked a significant chapter in our program’s ongoing legacy.

We launched the season in October with *Alice in Wonderland*, a visually imaginative production that challenged students to reimagine classic storytelling within the unique constraints of our arena-style theatre.



In December, we raised the bar with *SIX: Teen Edition*, a bold and empowering musical that brought the voices of the Queens to life with electrifying energy. That same month, the *Senior Improv Show 2024* delivered an evening of laughter and spontaneity, showcasing our seniors’ quick thinking and comedic timing.



In February, our students embraced the wit and complexity of Shakespeare with *Twelfth Night*, blending classical language with contemporary emotional depth. March brought a celebration of emerging voices through a series of one-act plays and a fully produced music video project—an innovative fusion of stage and screen that highlighted our students’ versatility.

The season concluded with a powerful double feature: *HADESTOWN: Teen Edition*, presented in an immersive alley-style format enhanced by a state-of-the-art LED video wall, and *STUPID LOVE STORY*, a bold, modern adaptation of *Romeo and Juliet* written and developed in-house. These final productions exemplified the Academy’s commitment to both honoring tradition and fostering original work.



Every rehearsal, every line, every note, and every design element contributed to a season defined by growth, collaboration, and artistic excellence. The overwhelming audience response and full houses throughout the year speak volumes about the impact of our students’ hard work and the strength of our community’s support.

To learn more about the Academy for the Performing Arts, including application information and ways to support our mission, please visit www.chagrinacademy.org.

Environmental Education Celebrates an Amazing Year!

Instructors: Kim Haydu, Dave Husat, Kym Judson, Sam McCracken

GMEEC Shines in SkillsUSA Debut

This March, the Gates Mills Environmental Education Center (GMEEC) proudly made its debut at the SkillsUSA State Championships in Columbus, competing in the Horticulture contest. Represented by a talented team of four students—Addie Taylor, Mark Savchuk, Keanu Kreiner, and Anthony Sanders—the group earned their place at the state level after securing gold medals at the Ohio High School Landscape Olympics in October.

In their first appearance at SkillsUSA, the team was tasked with transforming a detailed landscape design into a fully realized, hands-on installation. Despite being newcomers to the competition, the students demonstrated exceptional craftsmanship, collaboration, and professionalism throughout the event.

Their hard work paid off with an impressive bronze medal finish, a remarkable achievement for a first-time team.

Congratulations to the GMEEC team for their outstanding performance and for representing their school with pride and excellence. We look forward to seeing what they accomplish next!



Plant of the Month Program Blooms with Student Talent

The *Plant of the Month* program, offered by the Floriculture & Garden Operations class at the Gates Mills Environmental Education Center (GMEEC), is back and more vibrant than ever! This unique subscription service delivers six months of stunning plants and floral designs, all created by our talented students.

Staff members within the Excel TECC Consortium can enjoy convenient delivery directly to their school. All other customers are welcome to pick up their arrangements at the GMEEC campus.

This program not only brings beauty and joy throughout the school year but also provides students with valuable hands-on experience in floral design and customer service.



🌸 Special event floral orders are also available! For more information or to place an order, please contact:

Kym Judson 📞 (440) 995-7553

Support student learning while brightening your space—one plant at a time!

GMEEC Students Excel at Ohio High School Landscape Olympics

Congratulations to the students of the Gates Mills Environmental Education Center (GMEEC) for their outstanding participation in the 9th Annual Ohio High School Landscape Olympics (OHLO), hosted by the Ohio Green Industry Association at The Ohio State University Agricultural Technical Institute in Wooster.

This dynamic, one-day event brought together more than 250 students from 17 high schools across Ohio for an immersive, hands-on experience designed to explore careers in the green industry and foster connections with industry professionals.



GMEEC students showcased their skills across 20 real-world competition events, including:

- Landscape Installation
- Tool Identification
- Landscape Maintenance Operations
- Skid Steer Operation
- Irrigation Assembly & Troubleshooting
- Hardscape Installation
- Compact Excavator Operation
- Plant Identification



Their hard work, preparation, and professionalism were evident throughout the competition, earning recognition and awards in several categories. These achievements reflect the dedication of both the students and their instructors in preparing for careers in the green industry.

We are incredibly proud of their accomplishments and look forward to seeing their continued growth and success!



GMEEC Students Offer Landscaping Services Through Community Work Projects

Students at the Gates Mills Environmental Education Center (GMEEC) are gaining valuable hands-on experience through Community Work Projects, designed to provide real-world landscaping practice while giving back to the community.

Each project session is guided by a knowledgeable staff member, with students performing a variety of landscaping tasks tailored to the homeowner's needs. Services may include:

- Bed edging
- Pruning
- Mulching
- Weeding
- Leaf removal
- And more—just ask!

A donation of \$85 per session supports the program and helps fund educational opportunities for our students.

Availability is limited and weather dependent.

- Fall projects run from the start of the school year through winter break.
- Spring appointments begin scheduling after January 1.

If you're interested in scheduling a work project for your home or business, please contact:

Dave Husat, 📞 (440) 995-7556.

Support student learning while enhancing your landscape!



Holden Arboretum & Cleveland Botanical Garden: Kim Haydu, Instructor

Environmental Education Students Thrive in Hands-On Learning at Holden Forests & Gardens

Students in the Environmental Education program are gaining invaluable real-world experience through immersive, hands-on learning at both site locations of Holden Forests & Gardens—the Cleveland Botanical Garden and the Holden Arboretum.

Working alongside experienced horticulture professionals, students contribute to the care and maintenance of some of Northeast Ohio's most beautiful and diverse gardens. From assisting with seasonal displays to completing essential horticultural tasks, students are actively developing industry-relevant skills, including tree identification, landscape maintenance, and sustainable gardening practices.

This extended classroom experience not only enhances their technical knowledge but also provides meaningful networking opportunities within the green industry.

To explore more about the students' work and the exciting events happening at both locations, visit www.holdenfg.org.

GMEEC Save the Dates

- **Winter Open House & Plant Sale: December 12, 2025**
 - **Spring Open House & Plant Sale: May 8, 2026**
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Interactive Media: New Excel TECC Promotional Videos

This year, Interactive Media seniors Ian Hilliard (Aurora), Jonathan Klein (Beachwood) and James Waner (Mayfield) took on the massive task of filming and editing new promotional videos for Excel TECC. The students visited each Excel TECC program and conducted interviews with staff and students to individually showcase each program and all it has to offer. Together, they

filmed every program, edited each one to the appropriate length, and made graphics to incorporate into their edits. The videos are an excellent example of all Excel TECC has to offer and the individual benefits every program offers. The students accomplished this task on top of completing all their required coursework. Ian will be going on to study film at Cleveland State University, James will attend The Cleveland Institute of Art, and Jonathan is enlisting as a nuclear engineer in the Navy.



James Waner, Mayfield HS



Ian Hilliard, Aurora HS

Automotive Collision Paint Designs



The Auto Collision program at Willoughby NCI has had an exceptionally productive Spring semester. Our junior students have been honing their skills by repairing dents and painting automotive parts. As part of their hands-on learning experience, they've also had the opportunity to apply custom designs to their work—an engaging and creative process that requires significant preparation and multiple layers of paint to achieve a professional finish.



Meanwhile, our senior students have taken on individual projects, bringing in their own vehicles and components to apply the advanced techniques they've learned under the guidance of Mr. Beech.

One standout example is a motorcycle that received a remarkable transformation, showcasing the student's mastery of refinishing techniques.



The two-year Auto Collision program not only equips students with valuable technical skills but also helps them explore various career paths within the automotive industry. Many students are now securing internships that provide both real-world experience and a solid income—some even using their earnings to invest in their own vehicles.



Northern Career Institute -Willoughby Cosmetology

Cosmetology Program Highlights: Skill-Building, Salon Experience, and a Stunning Fashion Show

--Jennifer Conti, Instructor

The two-year **Cosmetology Program** offers students a comprehensive education in a wide range of beauty industry skills. From hairstyling and haircutting to advanced coloring techniques, nail care, facials, and eyelash application, students gain hands-on experience in all aspects of the field.

In their senior year, students take their training to the next level by working in our **on-site customer clinic**, which is open to the public. Under the supervision of our licensed Cosmetology Instructor, students learn to manage real-world salon responsibilities, including scheduling appointments and providing professional services to clients. This immersive experience prepares them for a seamless transition into the workforce.

We invite you to visit us this fall and meet our talented new class of **Senior Cosmetologists** as they showcase their skills and professionalism in the clinic.



This year also marked an exciting milestone: our **first annual Senior Fashion Show**! Students collaborated to bring the event to life, each taking on a unique role—from hairstyling and makeup artistry to model coordination and event logistics. The show was a resounding success and a testament to the creativity, teamwork, and dedication of our senior class.

Stay tuned for more exciting updates from the Cosmetology Program as we continue to grow, innovate, and inspire the next generation of beauty professionals.



Excel TECC: Charles F. Brush High School

Exercise Science & Sports Rehabilitation (ESSR)

--Justin Murphy, Instructor

The Excel TECC ESSR Healthcare Program Celebrates a Year of Innovation and Achievement



The Exercise Science & Sports Rehabilitation (ESSR) Healthcare Program has concluded another exceptional year, highlighted by the graduation of our seventh cohort of students. This year's class distinguished itself as one of the most well-rounded in the program's history, excelling academically, athletically, and in career-based learning. These students have embodied the values of professionalism, compassion, and community engagement—hallmarks of the ESSR experience.

Throughout the year, the program made significant strides in expanding applied learning opportunities. In addition to continuing student-led research utilizing our force plate and velocity-based training systems, we introduced several cutting-edge technologies that mirror those used at the highest levels of athletic performance.

Among the most notable additions was the 1080 Sprint 2 system, a state-of-the-art tool for resisted and assisted sprint training. Students also gained hands-on experience with VALD isometric testing technology and GPS tracking systems, enabling them to monitor athlete workload, movement quality, and recovery metrics. These tools have deepened students' understanding of human performance and data-driven training methodologies, giving them a competitive edge as they prepare for careers in exercise science, physical therapy, athletic training, and related health fields.



Looking ahead, our junior class will lead the launch of a new initiative: the development of individualized Athletic Performance Profiles. This project will serve as a foundational element of our High-Performance Model, set to debut in the 2025–2026 school year. The model will integrate performance testing, training design, recovery protocols, and sports science data into a comprehensive framework for athlete development and practitioner training.

We are also excited to announce the upcoming launch of speed training camps this summer and fall. These camps will provide students with additional opportunities to apply their knowledge in real-world coaching environments, while deepening their expertise in sprint mechanics, programming, and sports performance. None of this year's success would have been possible without the unwavering support of our ESSR community. We extend our sincere gratitude to:

- The parents and families of our students
- Mr. Nathan Bishko and the Excel TECC Team
- SEL Superintendent Mr. Dominick Kaple
- Brush High School Principal Ms. Marinise Harris

We are incredibly proud of the Class of 2025 and look forward to the continued growth and excellence of all our ESSR students in the year ahead.

Busy Year for CADD Engineering Technology Students

--Craig Schmidt, Instructor

CADD Engineering Technology students have just finished a busy year!

Senior CADD teams collaborated with the Construction Trades to design and prepare construction documents for three homes, marking our 13th consecutive year of collaboration. Seniors also completed the Space Escape, a space shuttle playhouse with sensory toys inside for Mayfield Preschool. And overhead wayfinding signs for Mayfield High School. Juniors designed and manufactured a prize wheel for Lander Elementary School, office and classroom signs for Mayfield Preschool, and a script sign for the City of Willowick.

We already have some collaborative projects scheduled for the 2025-26 school year, including completion of the Little Cub Libraries and additional wayfinding signage for Mayfield High School.

It was also a busy competition season. In the Student Model Home Design Competition, the CADD senior team of Nathan Markowitz, Henry Mellon, Jacob Nidezialek, and David Way earned first place in the competition, as well as best drawings and best model. Two CADD teams tied for fifth place - the team of Amanda Chen, Aiden Gathy, Vishista Nayak, and Aidan Higgins, and the team of Andie Babcock, Mackenzie Conley, Callista Guldager, and Ari Page.

A record 24 CADD students participated in SkillsUSA Ohio State Championships, as well as earning a record number of medals. CADD students earned gold medals in four contests - David Way and Mason Yelenosky - Additive Manufacturing; Andie Babcock, Henry Mellon, and Jacob Niedzialek - Engineering Technology and Design; and Vishista Nayak - Principles of Engineering Technology. This marks CADD's third Additive Manufacturing and CADD's second Engineering Design and Technology state championships in a row.

Students earning silver medals at the SkillsUSA Ohio State Championships include Charlie Grim and Max Semenov - BattleBots; Callista Guldager, Nathan Markowitz, and Ari Page - Career Pathways Showcase; Colby Blaser, Brendon Ciraky, and Eric Liedtke - Creative Sculpture Design, and Mackenzie Conley - Architectural Drafting



CADD seniors Ari Page and Andie Babcock set up the Space Escape at Mayfield Preschool.



CADD seniors Mason Yelenosky and David Way earned Gold medals, with a perfect score of 1000/1000 in the Additive Manufacturing Contest at the SkillsUSA Ohio State Championships.



Congratulations to CADD senior Vishista Nayak (Mayfield), who won the Excel TECC Director's Scholarship and the CADD Outstanding Student Award. Juniors Charlie Grim (Mayfield) and Caleb Rivchun (Orange), and Henry Mellon (Solon) and David Way (Mayfield) earned Distinguished Student awards.

Senior Vishista Nayak earned a gold medal in the Principles of Engineering Technology Contest at the SkillsUSA Ohio State Championships.



Seniors Andie Babcock, Henry Mellon and Jacob Niedzialek earned Gold Medals in the Engineering Design & Technology Contest at the SkillsUSA Ohio State Championships.

See what's happening in CADD by following our X, Facebook, and Instagram feeds @excelteccadd

Excel TECC Shines at 2025 SkillsUSA Ohio Championships

Columbus, OH – March 17–19, 2025

Excel TECC students lit up the stage at the 2025 SkillsUSA Ohio State Leadership and Skills Conference (SLSC), one of the largest Career and Technical Student Organization (CTSO) events in the nation. Held in Columbus, this prestigious competition brought together over 4,000 students from across Ohio to compete in more than 100 leadership, occupational, and technical contests.



This year marked a historic milestone for Excel TECC, fielding its largest team ever with 62 members—58 competitors and 4 voting delegates—representing 7 programs and 10 of the 11 member high schools. The results were nothing short of extraordinary: 55 of the 58 competitors placed in the Top 10, and 34 students earned medals—8 Bronze, 14 Silver, and 12 Gold.

Gold medalists have now qualified for the SkillsUSA National Championships, set for June 23–28 in Atlanta, Georgia. This event is the world's largest showcase of career and technical education (CTE) talent, featuring the top 1% of CTE students in the United States.

The success of the Excel TECC team is a testament to the dedication of its students and the guidance of their outstanding advisors: Delaney Canfield (Interactive Media), Maryanne Hummel & Debby Kall (Cosmetology), Dave Husat (Environmental Education), Erin Manypenny (Med Tech), Craig Schmidt (CADD), and Lead Advisor Ron Suchy (ITP).

Congratulations to all our students and advisors for their hard work, talent, and commitment to excellence. Your achievements continue to set the standard for CTE success in Ohio and beyond. Keep striving, keep shining—your potential is limitless!



Please see the following page for a full list of results and medalists organized by home school.

First Name	Last Name	Program	Class	Grade	Home School	Contest	Placement
Colby	Blasier	CADD	26	11	Aurora	Creative Design Sculpture 2	SILVER
Ian	Hilliard	Interactive Media	25	12	Aurora	Digital Cinema Production	SILVER
Meena	Kraus	Cosmetology	25	12	Aurora	Nail Care Model	Finalist
Bethany	Lambertson	Fire/EMS	25	12	Aurora	CPR-First Aid	Finalist
Dylan	Wilson	ITP	25	12	Aurora	Cyber Security	SILVER
Shyia	Johnson	Cosmetology	25	12	Beachwood	Braiding & Hair Design Model	BRONZE
Riley	Walker	ITP	26	11	Beachwood	Computer Programming	BRONZE
Harrison	Horvath	CADD	26	11	Chagrin Falls	Principles of Engineering Technology	Finalist
Luke	Binkofsky	ITP	25	12	Eastlake North	Computer Programming	SILVER
Claire	Campolieti	ITP	25	12	Eastlake North	Career Pathways Showcase B&T	GOLD
Jade	Guisto	Interactive Media	25	12	Eastlake North	Art Show	
Alyssa	Nero	ITP	25	12	Eastlake North	Career Pathways Showcase B&T	GOLD
Alexis	Panzarella	Med Tech	25	12	Eastlake North	Health Knowledge Bowl	Finalist
Daniel	Quinones	ITP	25	12	Eastlake North	Technical Computer Applications	Finalist
Anthony	Sanders	Environmental Education	26	11	Eastlake North	Horticulture	BRONZE
Mark	Savchuk	Environmental Education	26	11	Eastlake North	Horticulture	BRONZE
Grace	Stolar	Interactive Media	25	12	Eastlake North	Pin Design Contest	Finalist
Tyler	Cameron	CADD	26	11	Mayfield	Battle Bots 2	Finalist
Jaden	Cao	ITP	25	12	Mayfield	Related Technical Math	Finalist
Brendon	Ciraky	CADD	26	11	Mayfield	Creative Design Sculpture 2	SILVER
Mackenzie	Conley	CADD	25	12	Mayfield	Architectural Drafting	SILVER
Keegan	Gardener-Henry	Interactive Media	25	12	Mayfield	Promotional Bulletin Board	Finalist
Aiden	Gathy	CADD	25	12	Mayfield	Promotional Bulletin Board	Finalist
Jace	Gregorio	Interactive Media	25	12	Mayfield	Digital Cinema Production	SILVER
Charlie	Grim	CADD	26	11	Mayfield	Battle Bots 1	SILVER
Anthony	Mastandrea	Med Tech	25	12	Mayfield	Job Skills Demo Open	
Vishista	Nayak	CADD	25	12	Mayfield	Principles of Engineering Technology	GOLD
Max	Semenov	CADD	26	11	Mayfield	Battle Bots 1	SILVER
Addison	Taylor	Environmental Education	25	12	Mayfield	Horticulture	BRONZE
Nico	Varanese	ITP	25	12	Mayfield	Cyber Security	SILVER
Lloyd	Vistan	ITP	25	12	Mayfield	Technical Computer Applications	BRONZE
James	Waner	Interactive Media	25	12	Mayfield	Web Design	GOLD
Thomas	Waner	ITP	25	12	Mayfield	Web Design	GOLD
David	Way	CADD	25	12	Mayfield	Additive Manufacturing	GOLD
Cameron	Aune	CADD	26	11	North	Battle Bots 2	Finalist
Andie	Babcock	CADD	25	12	North	Engineering Technology & Design	GOLD
Christian	Duer	ITP	26	11	North	Voting Delegate	
Matthew	Olwert	ITP	25	12	North	Voting Delegate	
Mason	Yelenosky	CADD	25	12	North	Additive Manufacturing	GOLD
Maor	Ben-Yosef	CADD	26	11	Orange	Creative Design Sculpture 1	Finalist
Galvin	Dovgan	CADD	26	11	Orange	Creative Design Sculpture 1	Finalist
Nathan	Markowitz	CADD	25	12	Orange	Career Pathways Showcase I&E	SILVER
Ariel	Page	CADD	25	12	Orange	Career Pathways Showcase I&E	SILVER
Shira	Polikoff	Med Tech	25	12	Orange	Medical Terminology	Finalist
Caleb	Rivchun	CADD	26	11	Orange	Creative Design Sculpture 1	Finalist
Dae'Jionah	Simpkins-Maxwe	Cosmetology	25	12	Richmond Heights	Braiding and Hair Design	BRONZE
Anthony	Borton	CADD	25	12	Solon	Promotional Bulletin Board	Finalist
Aminata	Goudiaby	Med Tech	25	12	Solon	Health Knowledge Bowl	Finalist
Henry	Mellon	CADD	25	12	Solon	Engineering Technology & Design	GOLD
Sal	Miller	Med Tech	25	12	Solon	Health Knowledge Bowl	Finalist
Jacob	Niedzialek	CADD	25	12	Solon	Engineering Technology & Design	GOLD
Alexander	Perlberg	Fire/EMS	26	11	Solon	Job Interview	GOLD
Jalaya	Sinclair	Med Tech	25	12	Solon	Health Knowledge Bowl	Finalist
Hannah	Bozik	Cosmetology	25	12	West Geauga	Nail Care	Finalist
Isabella	DeOliveira	Med Tech	25	12	West Geauga	Extemp Speaking	Finalist
Eric	Liedtke	CADD	26	11	West Geauga	Creative Design Sculpture 2	SILVER
Landon	French	ITP	26	11	Willoughby South	Voting Delegate	
Callista	Guldager	CADD	25	12	Willoughby South	Career Pathways Showcase I&E	SILVER
Casey	Heil	CADD	26	11	Willoughby South	Voting Delegate	
Keanu	Kreiner	Environmental Education	26	11	Willoughby South	Horticulture	BRONZE
Jacob	McMasters	ITP	25	12	Willoughby South	Career Pathways Showcase B&T	GOLD
Noah	Scanlon	Fire/EMS	26	11	Willoughby South	Medical Terminology	

Information Technology and Programming (ITP)

Registered IT Pre-Apprenticeship Program Completes our First Full Year

The Excel TECC Information Technology and Programming (ITP) program proudly marks the completion of its first full year as an Ohio Registered IT Pre-Apprenticeship Program—one of the most innovative work-based learning initiatives in the state. Sponsored by the Greater Cleveland Partnership (GCP) in collaboration with the Early Career Exploration Team, the program received formal approval from the Ohio State Apprenticeship Council (OSAC) in July 2024, following the submission of a comprehensive Pre-Apprenticeship Operating Plan.

This designation opens multiple career pathways for students pursuing futures in the IT industry. In addition to traditional routes such as earning a college degree and entering the workforce through entry-level positions, students now can leverage their pre-apprenticeship experiences—including both paid and unpaid internships, industry-recognized certifications, and enrichment activities—to transition directly into registered IT apprenticeships. These apprenticeships can lead to full-time, career-track employment with participating companies.

The program is designed with flexibility in mind, allowing students to tailor their experience to individual goals—whether that includes higher education, hands-on training, or a combination of both. In an era of rising post-secondary education costs, this model offers a valuable alternative for students seeking to enter the IT field without incurring significant debt.

Internship placements are coordinated through Youth Opportunities Unlimited (YOU), the official intermediary for the State of Ohio's Office of Workforce Transformation. YOU facilitates paid internship opportunities for high school students in IT-related roles across Greater Cleveland and Northeast Ohio. This summer, more than a dozen ITP students will participate in PEEKE or HSTI internships, including returning interns Nico Varanese and Daniel Quinones from the Class of 2025.

The ITP program is a hybrid curriculum that spans three core IT/Computer Science disciplines: Information Systems Support (ISS), Programming & Software Development (PSD), and Networking Systems (NS). Students can earn both college credit and work-based learning credit. Program completers meet Ohio's graduation competency requirements by demonstrating career readiness and earning at least two state-recognized diploma seals, such as the OhioMeansJobs Readiness Seal, the Industry-Recognized Credential Seal, and the Technology Seal.



ITP '25 student Nico Varanese (Mayfield) will complete a 2nd year internship with University Hospitals in cyber security



ITP '25 student Claire Campolieti (center) From North HS stands with her team of YOU-terns working at the GCP sponsored Passport to IT Careers at the IX Center



ITP '25 students (l-r) Owen Virostko (South), Jacob McMasters (South), Frankie Lee (Brush), Matt Olwert (North) and Eladji Sene (Brush) installed and configured SmartHome Technology at the Construction Trades Spring Open House

Dynamic Duo! The "heavy lifters" of ITP 25 Nico Varanese of Mayfield HS (left) and Dylan Wilson of Aurora (right) earned the Silver Medal for Cyber Security at the SkillsUSA Ohio Championships and together accumulated 13 industry certifications and 42 semester hours of college credit.



NATIONAL TECHNICAL HONOR SOCIETY INDUCTS 136 NEW MEMBERS

The 34th Class of the Excel TECC NTHS Chapter is the Largest Ever!



Oliver Abramson (Orange) - Medical Technologies
Ashley Amer (Brush) - Pre-Nursing
Jayden Amey (Brush) - CADD Engineering Tech
Elise Amos (South) - Medical Technologies
Juliana Andow (South) - Cosmetology/WES
Natalie Arters (Aurora) - TEACH
Goldi Aschkenasy (Beachwood) - Marketing
William Asplin (Chagrin Falls) - Marketing
Ameer Avak Jr (Richmond Hts) - Licensed Practical Nursing
Grace Barth (Mayfield) - Medical Technologies
Melrose Beck (Orange) - TEACH
Maor Ben Yosef (Orange) - CADD Engineering Tech
Geofferson Betts (Brush) - Medical Technologies
Laila Bilsky (Orange) - Marketing
Colby Blaser (Aurora) - CADD Engineering Tech
Summer Bliss (South) - Medical Technologies
Xavier Board (Aurora) - TEACH
Jaylynne Breeden (South) - Cosmetology/WES
Jadyn Brendy (West G) - CADD Engineering Tech
Giavanna Brickman (South) - Cosmetology/WES
Evalyn Brosnan (West G) - Medical Technologies
Bailey Bryant (Brush) - Performing Arts Academy
Breonna Buchanan (North) - Licensed Practical Nursing
Charles Burck (Solon) - Performing Arts Academy
Anna Byrum (West G) - Auto Technology
Tyler Cameron (Mayfield) - CADD Engineering Tech
Taniya Carpenter (North) - Licensed Practical Nursing
Addison Carroll (Mayfield) - Medical Technologies
Hope Carty (West G) - Cosmetology/Mayfield
Carly Cellura (Mayfield) - Medical Technologies
Sumeet Chakravarti (Beachwood) - Marketing
Cassandra Charboneau (Solon) - Construction Trades
Shreya Chellu (Beachwood) - Marketing
Julianna Chuey (Mayfield) - TEACH
Nicholas Cifra (Mayfield) - Construction Trades
Makayla Coburn (Mayfield) - Pre-Nursing
Kelsey Cohen (Beachwood) - Marketing
Claire Davey (North) - CADD Engineering Tech
David Deaton (North) - Construction Trades
Scarlet Del Vecchio (Mayfield) - Cosmetology/Mayfield
Brian Denamen (West G) - Construction Trades
Ashley Diaz (West G) - Pre-Nursing
Alexander Eisengart (Beachwood) - Marketing
Michael Fappiano (Mayfield) - TEACH
Alyssa Farmer (North) - Cosmetology/WES



Kyle Farrell (Brush) - Construction Trades
Dylan Fazekas (South) - Fire/EMS Training Academy
Kamilla Fekete (Mayfield) - Exercise Science & Sports Rehab
Rosalind Fox (South) - Construction Trades
Madeline Gabriel (Chagrin Falls) - Marketing
Audrey Galgoczy (Mayfield) - Medical Technologies
Austin Gartland (North) - Information Tech & Programming
Finnian Gephart (Mayfield) - Fire/EMS Training Academy
Grace Gerhard (Solon) - Exercise Science & Sports Rehab
Avery Goldman (Orange) - Marketing
Eliza Gonzales (Chagrin Falls) - Performing Arts Academy
Dorian Gooden (Aurora) - Information Tech & Programming
Amelia Goodman (Aurora) - Cosmetology/Mayfield
Charlie Grim (Mayfield) - CADD Engineering Tech
Gabe Guiler (Orange) - Marketing
Christina Haggerty (Solon) - Cosmetology/Mayfield
Oliver Hantus (Mayfield) - Medical Technologies
Casey Heil (South) - CADD Engineering Tech
Abriana Henderson (Brush) - Performing Arts Academy
Luci Hinde (North) - Licensed Practical Nursing
Lauryn Hines (Brush) - Culinary Arts
Lucy Hopkins (Chagrin Falls) - Performing Arts Academy
Harrison Horvath (Chagrin Falls) - CADD Engineering Tech
Brayden Huth (Solon) - Construction Trades
Lauren Insul (Orange) - Marketing
Mackenzie Ipavec (South) - Performing Arts Academy
Raghav Iyer (Beachwood) - Marketing
Morgan Jackson (Beachwood) - Exercise Science & Sports Rehab
Kailey Jewell (Mayfield) - TEACH
Jackson Justus (West G) - Marketing
Kolt Karovich (North) - Welding Technologies
Samantha Kess (Mayfield) - Culinary Arts
Payten Komara (North) - Construction Trades
Edward Kovach-Uzi (North) - CADD Engineering Tech
Roman Kovalev-Gasparyan (Mayfield) - Construction Trades
Jaiden Kramer (North) - Marketing
Brooklyn Lavender (Mayfield) - Pre-Nursing
Sofia Lee (Brush) - Medical Technologies
Eric Liedtke (West G) - CADD Engineering Tech
Chloe Link (West G) - Performing Arts Academy
Elizabeth Liu (Beachwood) - Marketing
Jessica Lopez (Mayfield) - Medical Technologies
Erika Marquardt (Beachwood) - Marketing
Rachel Marzullo (Aurora) - Performing Arts Academy
Renner Matta (Chagrin Falls) - Marketing
Noah Meros (North) - Licensed Practical Nursing

Kylie Meyer (North) - TEACH
 Hannah Miller (Aurora) - Performing Arts Academy
 Riley Mills (Brush) - Marketing
 Isaac Mills (North) - Information Tech & Programming
 Ryan Mobley (West G) - Welding Technologies
 Isaiah Mohnkern (North) - Welding Technologies
 Eladio Morales (North) - TEACH
 Peter Nawn (Solon) - Construction Trades
 Chipo Ndunda (South) - Licensed Practical Nursing
 Isfandiyor Norov (Mayfield) - Information Tech & Programming
 Addison Oreh (South) - Exercise Science & Sports Rehab
 Ireland Oswick (West G) - Marketing
 Imani Padgett (Mayfield) - Cosmetology/Mayfield
 Radha Pareek (Beachwood) - Marketing
 Logan Paul (North) - TEACH
 Lucas Perillo (South) - Exercise Science & Sports Rehab
 Alexander Perlberg (Solon) - Fire/EMS Training Academy
 Grace Piercy (North) - Exercise Science & Sports Rehab
 Audrey Polachek (Mayfield) - TEACH
 Griffin Preisler (Beachwood) - Marketing
 Nikola Rauzan (North) - Welding Technologies
 Vincent Rayborn (Mayfield) - CADD Engineering Tech
 Noah Rice (Orange) - Exercise Science & Sports Rehab
 Caleb Rivchun (Orange) - CADD Engineering Tech
 Dora Russo (Orange) - Exercise Science & Sports Rehab
 Sama Saleh (North) - Medical Technologies
 Joseph Saltenis (Mayfield) - Construction Trades
 Ezrin Saltzman (Beachwood) - Marketing
 Noah Scanlon (South) - Fire/EMS Training Academy
 Elizabeth Selby (Mayfield) - Exercise Science & Sports Rehab
 Imani Smith (Brush) - Medical Technologies
 Lillian Stukus (Chagrin Falls) - Marketing
 Kelyn Tanner (North) - Auto Technology
 Liliana Thomas (Mayfield) - Exercise Science & Sports Rehab
 Amaya Thomas (Solon) - Licensed Practical Nursing
 Gianna Traczyk (Mayfield) - Licensed Practical Nursing
 Yeva Tsoy (Solon) - Pre-Nursing
 Ali Van Horn (North) - Environmental Education
 Rahul Vijayendran (Orange) - Information Tech & Programming
 Augustina Vitkouskaya (Solon) - Licensed Practical Nursing
 Javon Wells (Richmond Hts) - Pre-Nursing
 Adeline Wohl (Beachwood) - TEACH
 Maya Yelenosky (Solon) - Exercise Science & Sports Rehab
 Muhittin Yesilcicek (Mayfield) - CADD Engineering Tech
 Legend Young (South) - Performing Arts Academy

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