

From the Director

Greetings Parents and Students,

I have heard many positive things as a principal in Greene County and now as the Director of Secondary Education, I get to see firsthand the amazing things the staff and students do here. From the hands on learning your student(s) receive to the connections that are happening daily with all the instructors/staff, it is evident that GCCC is the best path for future endeavors. This year we continue emphasizing employability and job readiness along with helping students receive additional assistance through our increased achievement period and our social emotional learning program, The Core Project. By including all these things here at GCCC, we are better prepared to help your students learn employability skills in the 21st century. The administration and staff would like to thank everyone who has a hand in making the Greene County Career Center the best education option around.

Brian McKnight, Director of Secondary Education

Important Dates

October 21 – Grade cards mailed
November 9 - Parent-Teacher Conferences, 3:45 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
November 23 - No School for Students
November 24 & 25 – No School, Thanksgiving Break
November 30 – December 2: Career Awareness Days (check with lab instructor for student assignments)
December 16 - End of 2nd Grading Period
December 19 – January 2 - Winter Break - No School
January 3 - Classes Resume
January 16 - No School, Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
January 19 – Open House 5-7 p.m.
February 20 - No School, Presidents' Day

Parent-Teacher Conferences

Conferences will be held on Wednesday, November 9, 2022, 3:45-7:30 p.m. Go to our website; www.greeneccc.com to find the link for parent teacher conference registration. Conferences can be scheduled in 15-minute increments with each teacher. If you have questions, contact Sara Shiveley, Ext. 1303, or sshiveley@greeneccc.com

Career Awareness Days

Sophomores from seven school districts in Greene County are invited to visit Greene County Career Center to participate in Career Awareness Days. The tours are being scheduled for November 30 – December 2, 2022. Unless communicated otherwise, your student will not report to school but will be involved in completing the following activities: job shadowing/job placement experiences related to lab, college visits, or community service. Community Service is required for students wishing to receive a Certificate of Completion upon graduation. Appropriate forms for each activity will be provided to students and posted on the website. All signed forms for the out-of-school career experiences, must be turned by December 5, 2022 to receive attendance credit. Otherwise, students will receive two excused absences for each required activity.

College Applications and Acceptance

Students should apply early for admission to college in order to have the best opportunities for acceptance and financial assistance. The FAFSA should be submitted for financial assistance as soon as the family taxes have been completed, preferably in January. Check the college websites for deadlines and apply prior to December 16 to have the best chance of acceptance and scholarship options. Reminder-the initial and final transcripts for college admissions must come from the homeschool, not GCCC. Please bring a copy of all college acceptance letters to your GCCC Guidance Counselor. This information will be shared with your partner school Guidance Counselor as well.

FAFSA Information Session

On November 9th from 4-7:30 p.m., college representatives will be available to give an overview of the financial aid process and help families complete their FAFSA. Please bring the following for both the student and parent: FSA IDs (create an ID at www.fafsa.gov), social security numbers, 2021 federal income tax returns, 2021 W2s, records of untaxed income, and any asset information.

Free and Reduced Lunch

If you believe your student qualifies for free or reduced meals and is not already receiving, please complete a free and reduced meal application at PaySchools Central and on our school website. Students approved for free or reduced meals also qualify for the waiving or partial **waiving of certain fees**.

Please see the student's grade card to see the amount of fees outstanding for your student. If you have not done so, and think your student may qualify for free or reduced meals, please submit a free/reduced meal application. If approved, certain fees will be waived or reduced. Fees may be paid via check, cash or credit card in the Treasurer's office, or on-line through PaySchools Central. You may also access your student's account in Progress Book to view fees owed.

OneView

Parents are required to update changes in student contact information throughout the school year on OneView. Go to www.greeneccc.com and click on the OneView link. Please make sure you update your e-mail address and or make sure it is correct in OneView. A valid e-mail address will allow GCCC to communicate more efficiently with you.

Title IX

Title IX states, "No person in the United States shall, on the basis of sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any education program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance." Greene County Career Center Title IX investigators are:

Mr. Brian McKnight bmcknight@greeneccc.com

Ms. Jill Anon janon@greeneccc.com

Credit Recovery

Students who need to make up required courses have an opportunity to recover the credit during the school day in Edmentum. Students who need to make up past deficiencies should meet with their GCCC Guidance Counselor to create a plan to recover their credit(s). Credit Recovery may be completed during the scheduled school day or at home according to the student's individual schedule.

Positive Behavioral Interventions & Supports (PBIS)

Be Respectful, Be Impactful, and Show Self-Control. Students are taught these expectations from the moment they enter our district and we reinforce the expectations throughout the year with "booster" activities. We recognize students for upholding our expectations throughout the year with positive referrals, breakfast club, quarterly incentives, honor roll celebrations and teacher created rewards throughout the year.

Truancy Interventionist

Gabby West is the Truancy Interventionist at GCCC. She assists students and families in addressing the obstacles that contribute to student absences. Ms. West can be reached at 937-372-6941, Ext. 1314, or at gwest@greeneesc.org

Registration for Sinclair College Credit

Junior students whose programs are aligned with Sinclair Community College are encouraged to register with Sinclair. The students have the opportunity to earn college credit while attending Greene County Career Center. Students are reminded that the registration process does not commit students to attend Sinclair after graduation, but the opportunity to possibly earn college credit and a \$3000 non-competitive scholarship to Sinclair.

To Qualify for the Sinclair Scholarship:

- Earn a cumulative high school grade point average of 2.25 junior and senior year.
- Complete the high school career-technical program
- Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Other financial aid must be used prior to using the Sinclair Tech Prep Scholarship.
- Be enrolled in a minimum of 12 credit hours per semester to be eligible for the full scholarship benefit. Enrollment of 9-11 hours will be awarded a prorated amount. Please note, the Tech Prep scholarship can cover books, but not tuition for developmental (DEV) classes.
- Maintain good academic standing as defined in the Sinclair Community College catalog "Grades" section (i.e., a GPA of 2.0 or higher).
- Students must register for classes at Sinclair no later than August 15th the year following their high school graduation in order to activate their scholarship.

ProgressBook

Parent Access is utilized as one form of communication with parents throughout the school year. Please email pbhelp@greeneccc.com if you experience any difficulties with your ProgressBook Parent Access account. Parents also receive notification, via recorded messages, from our "One Call" system for school informational updates. Grade cards go out at the end of each quarter and please check Progressbook often to check on your students success.

Attendance

Students are expected to attend GCCC when their home school is not scheduled to be in session. Students are also expected to attend GCCC when their home school is closed or delayed due to inclement weather. Students should consult their home school calendars throughout the year and plan alternate transportation for days when their school is not providing normal transportation due to closure. Students not in attendance at GCCC under these situations will be given unexcused absence(s). Students who do not attend when their home school is closed for inclement weather must still be counted absent or tardy from school pursuant to Ohio Law. Seniors are to maintain daily attendance at GCCC until they graduate or until GCCC's Senior Recognition (whichever comes first).

Inclement Weather

In the event of, or possibility of, inclement weather, the Greene County Career Center Superintendent will confer with member/home school Superintendents who communicate with transportation directors, road departments and law enforcement officials to make decisions regarding delay or cancellation of school due to inclement weather. It is the desire of the Board of Education that Greene County Career Center be in session at all times unless weather conditions make it unsafe for the operation of school. Announcement of school closings or delays will be made by local news media. Please do not call radio and TV stations. You may also access closing or delay information on our website at www.greeneccc.com, our Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram. Typically, a ONE CALL NOW message will be sent to the active phone number on file for each student when school is delayed, closed or an emergency has occurred. Students are advised to follow their member/home school's delay or closure schedule when the students member/home school is delayed or closed due to inclement weather.

Students should use the following as guidelines for inclement weather:

Delayed	Closed
If your member/home school is delayed, then you follow you follow that delay schedule.	** If your member/home school is closed, you are not required to come to GCCC that day. If GCCC is open that day, you can still come to school but transportation will not be available.
If GCCC is on a delay but your member/home school is not, you follow their schedule for busing however, car driving/riding students follow GCCC delayed schedule.	If GCCC is closed then you will not be able to come to GCCC, even if your member/home school is open.

**NOTE: Please be aware, if GCCC is open and if your member/home school is closed, students who do not attend GCCC must be counted absent or tardy from school. This is pursuant to HBS 10 and HB82 by the Ohio Legislature, which states that we must notify parents of a student absence within two hours of the start of school as well as give notice of truancy related laws. You will receive a recorded notification that your student will be counted unexcused, however, this will be modified later in the day to an excused absence due to inclement weather and home school closure.

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GCCC staff will be on hand to accept those bus riding students whose member/home school is on regular schedule excluding Project Search located at Soin Medical Center.
There is no need to call GCCC to report your student absent due to their home school closing.

Communication

Daily announcements are broadcast every morning over the PA system and posted in several other locations. Parents and students should check GCCC's website and their partner school's website on a regular basis for announcements. A reminder to parents and students - when GCCC is in session and partner schools are not, students are expected to be in attendance at the Career Center.

Visitors

As an added security measure, all visitors must present a valid state ID upon entering the building. If you wish to see a member of our staff, it is important to make an appointment with that individual.

Community Service Experience

Seniors must participate in 15 hours of Community Service by April 28, 2023 in order to receive their GCCC Certificate of Completion. Parents and seniors are encouraged to view the Community Service Experience form posted to the GCCC website.

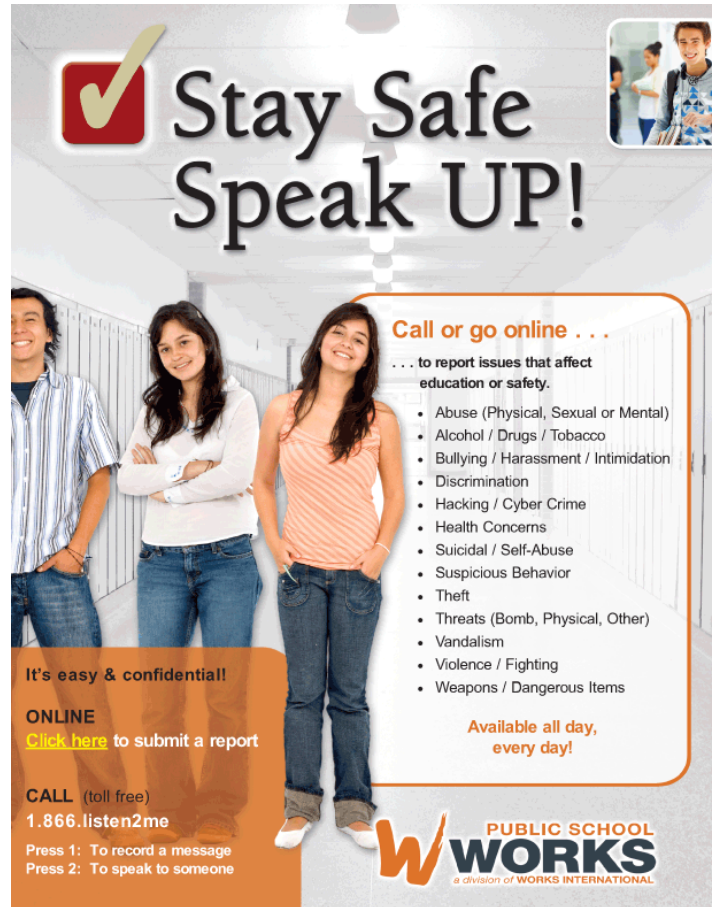
Clark State Tech Prep Scholarship

Also known as the George Mueller Tech Prep Scholarship. This scholarship is \$3000.00 total for two years, \$1500 per year (for two years). The scholarship is NOT competitive, which means as long as a student meets the criteria, the student is awarded the scholarship. The criteria to be awarded the scholarship is: graduation with at least a 2.25 GPA, and students continue in the same pathway, or enroll in the Associate of Technical Studies program. This is NOT a last dollar scholarship, which means scholarship amount comes right off the top of the tuition, regardless of any other scholarship or financial aid.

The Greene County Vocational SD has dedicated itself to providing equal admission opportunities, equal educational opportunities, and equal employment opportunities to all people regardless of race, color, national origin, sex or disability and is in compliance with Title VI, IX and section 504 regulations.

Stay Safe Speak Up

Parents and Student can call online to report issues that affect education or safety. To make a report, please visit our Greene County Career Center webpage at.....
<https://www.publicschoolworks.com/SHL/helpLine.asp?di=83&mi=9&1737Nav=|&NodeID=72>



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- Abuse (Physical, Sexual or Mental)
- Alcohol / Drugs / Tobacco
- Bullying / Harassment / Intimidation
- Discrimination
- Hacking / Cyber Crime
- Health Concerns
- Suicidal / Self-Abuse
- Suspicious Behavior
- Theft
- Threats (Bomb, Physical, Other)
- Vandalism
- Violence / Fighting
- Weapons / Dangerous Items

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1.866.listen2me

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Press 2: To speak to someone

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