

From the Director

Greetings Parents and Students,

What a great start to the year! I am amazed everyday to see our students actively engaged in projects and curriculum that will prepare them for the next steps in their lives. I couldn't be happier with the progress we are making. We hope to see you at the GCCC Community & Alumni Open House and Building Dedication on November 4th from 4-7pm. We are excited to finally be able to share this great community investment with you. We want the community to be able to see how we are utilizing the facility to promote education and innovation. It is truly a great place to learn. This year we are emphasizing employability and job readiness. It is our goal to have each student receive the Ohio Means Jobs Readiness Seal. We feel confident that these skills will help our students outside the walls of the Career Center. The administration and staff would like to thank each student for being attentive to their learning and striving to be their very best. Thank you, parents, for your continued support of the Greene County Career Center. Let's keep moving forward.

Rob Robison, Director of Secondary Education

Important Dates

November 4-Community/Alumni Open House, 4-7 p.m.
November 10 - Parent-Teacher Conferences, 3:45 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
November 24 - No School for Students
November 25 & 26 – No School, Thanksgiving Break
December 1-3 - Career Awareness Days (check with lab instructor for student assignments)
December 17 - End of 2nd Grading Period
December 20-December 31 - Winter Break - No School
January 3 - Classes Resume
January 17 - No School, Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
January 27 – Sophomore Student Open House 5-7 p.m.
February 3 - Parent Teacher Conferences, 3:45 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
February 21 - No School, Presidents' Day

Community/Alumni Open House

Greene County Career Center will host an open house for all community members and Career Center Alumni on November 4, 2021 from 4-7 pm. The event will include a building dedication ceremony and will allow voters who approved a bond issue in 2018 a chance to tour the state's newest training center. A food truck rally will also be held in the parking lot during the event. The event is free and open to the public. For more information, please email info@greeneccc.com.

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.

Parent-Teacher Conferences

Conferences will be held on Wednesday, November 10, 2021, 3:45-7:30 p.m. and also Thursday, February 3, 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 Ashley Ewing, Ext. 1303, or aewing@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 December 1-3, 2021. 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, interview of an individual working in a field related to the lab, college visits (in person or virtual) 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 10, 2021 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 17 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.

College Visits

Forms are available in the GCCC Guidance Office for students who plan to go on a college visit during the school day. Students must be passing all classes before requesting the form which is to be completed at least one week prior to the college visit. Students will be required to make-up work that was missed while away from school.

FAFSA Information Session

On November 10th from 5-7 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, 2020 federal income tax returns, 2020 W2s, records of untaxed income, and any asset information.

Free and Reduced Lunch

Applications must be submitted annually. Go to www.greeneccc.com and click on the Free and Reduced Lunch Application. If at any time throughout the year circumstances change, a family may apply.

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:

Mrs. Virginia Potter vpotter@greeneccc.com

Mr. Jason Miller jmiller@greeneccc.com

Clark State Tech Prep Scholarship

Also known as the George Mueller Tech Prep Scholarship, is \$3000.00 total for two years, \$1500 per year, or \$750 per semester. 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 2.5 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.

Credit Recovery

Students who need to make up required courses have an opportunity to recover the credit during the school day in Student Enrichment using A+ Credit Recovery program. 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.

Community Service Experience

Seniors must participate in 15 hours of Community Service by May 2, 2022 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.

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

Brandi Noe is the Truancy Interventionist at GCCC. She assists students and families in addressing the obstacles that contribute to student absences. Ms. Noe can be reached at 937-372-6941, Ext. 1304, or at bnoe@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.

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.

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.

Visitors

As an added security measure, all visitors must present a valid state ID upon entering the building. All visitors are required to wear a mask while in the building until further notice. Thank you for your understanding.

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).