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Construction Careers Center Charter High School

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Recruitment

Recruitment for the class of 2007 has begun. If you know of interested families, applications are available by calling (314) 588-9991. A limited number of slots for students are available for the class of 2006.

Parent Organization

The next monthly meeting of the Parent Organization will be on **Thursday, April 10 at 6:30 p.m.** in the school cafeteria. Help get the organization going by actively participating in the election of officers and activity planning. CCC needs its parents as partners in the education of their young adults.

Spring Break

Spring Break is Monday, March 24 through Friday, March 28, 2003. Classes will resume on Monday, March 31, 2003 at 7:30 a.m.

2002 Sold On St. Louis Award

The St. Louis Associations of Realtors award was created in 1988 as a way of honoring individuals and organizations who have brought national attention to St. Louis and who have contributed to its economic growth.

The 2002 Special Award was given to The Associated General Contractors of St. Louis and Construction Careers Center. We are proud to be recognized for the partnership between industry, associations, labor, education, philanthropy and government.

If I Had a Hammer

The St. Louis Area Construction Training Tech Prep Consortium is part of a statewide initiative to introduce seventh and eighth graders to the construction industry. Their challenge is to work collectively as a team in the assembly of an 8x11½ house in two hours. Fun and challenging describe the result of teamwork, communication and real-life application of math and science concepts.

Construction Careers Center hosted the program for two weeks in February under the direction of Ms. Lori, Sommer, Construction Tech Prep Coordinator.

A Smoker's Story

Don Young, a cancer survivor, faces the challenge of helping young people resist tobacco. Don shared his story with CCC freshmen on March 13. Young Choices is the not-for-profit organization for which Don is the spokesperson. His program includes the hazards of tobacco and pictures of himself through numerous surgeries that have left him unable to speak without the use of an electrolarynx. Don's goal is to save many young people from the devastating effects of tobacco.

February Field Trip

On February 14, 2003, fifteen students were in for a super field trip to the Boeing Corp. facilities at the airport.

McCarthy Construction Co. of St. Louis has the contract to construct several new buildings for the Boeing Corp. to build the new F-18 for the Air Force. The new facilities include the hanger building, a testing facility, houses for testing the engines on the jet, and over 11 acres of taxiway and runway that will be covered with thousands of cubic yards of concrete for moving the finished F-18s around and testing the new fighter jets.



The students were also treated to a tour of the Prologue Room, a virtual Air History museum containing hundreds of models of planes that the many companies that have become Boeing Corp. have manufactured since the turn of the twentieth century and the beginning of flight. The Prologue Room also housed an actual Mercury space capsule, a Gemini space capsule, and a full size Trident missile used both by the Navy and Air Force.



School Picture

Makeup Day

School Picture Makeup day will be on Tuesday April 15th. Students who did not have a yearbook picture taken in February will be scheduled first. Students may purchase picture packets on April 15th with cash or money order. Packet information and prices are available from Mrs. Remaklus and Ms. Snelson. Students who need retakes from February will also be scheduled on this day. In addition, group pictures will be taken for the yearbook. These will include the Basketball teams, cheerleaders, art club, drama club, chess club, student government and SkillsUSAñVICA. Picture packets taken on February 28th will be delivered the first week of April.

Yearbook Orders

Studio III is coordinating the printing of Construction Careers Center first yearbook. Ms. Snelson will be working with students to design the cover and several collage pages. Yearbooks can be ordered now for the low price of \$10. The last day to order yearbooks will be May 16th. Yearbooks will be delivered in late June or early July.

Honor Roll Achievers

Congratulations to the 1st semester Honor Roll Achievers. These students were treated to a pizza lunch on February 24, 2003. At that time they received Honor Roll certificates, High Honors received McDonaldís certificate books, and the 4.0 students received coinsî for Streetside Records.

The following students maintained a 4.0 for the first semester: Tim Burgess*, Brian Cox* and Joanna Jacobs*

High Honors: Kendrec England*, Kentrall England*, Aaron Miller*, Meisha Neely*

Honors: Mohamed Abdi, Cherea Brown, Sean Herbert, Terri Hicks*, Thomas Jones, Jeremiah Love, Calvin Miller, Hanan Mohamed*, Crystal Montgomery, Shari Oden, Devine Patterson*, Dwight Shelton, Rachel Shelton*, Donesha Sims*, Gary Turner, Shameka Wallace*, Ashley Wells*, Jennifer Williams and Kellie Young*.

*Recipients of St. Louis Cardinals Straight A vouchers. Look for their names to be in the April 3, 2003 edition of the *St. Louis Post-Dispatch*.

Attendance Awards

Sixty-four (28%) students received Architectural Rulers for having 95%ñ 99% attendance for the first semester. **Brian Cox** received a tool case for 100% attendance.

CCC receives a minimal amount of money per day for each student in attendance. The amount of money received is drastically affected when our young adults are absent from school, even for a portion of an hour or day. The construction industry requires their workforce to exhibit punctuality and presence daily. Training for the workforce requires us to challenge our young people **and** their parents to consistently striving for 100% daily attendance from each student. Absences and tardiness can affect our average daily attendance money by eight cents a minute per student.

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A box lunch and a guest speaker, Frank Jacobs, from the IBEW completed the day. The students thoroughly enjoyed their ìValentineís Dayî present. A special ìthank youî to Kevin Kuntz, Tom Felton and Dan Licari of the McCarthy Construction Co., Mary Barr of the Boeing Corp., and Frank Jacobs of the IBEW.

News from the Bobcat Den

The Bobcat Den is happy to announce that students, faculty, and parents can now purchase black or white uniform shirts that have either the Bobcat logo or the Construction Careers Center Arch logo. The cost is \$15 per shirt, which includes the price of the shirt and the monogramming cost. Personalizing is available also with first and last names. Please stop by the Bobcat Den and check them out or call Mrs. Remaklus at 588-9991 ext. 103 for more information. Orders will be taken throughout the school year.