

NEWSLETTER

WINTER 2018

NEW HIGH SCHOOL EQUIVALENCY TEST



Trumbull County will soon adopt a new exam approved by the state of Ohio that will be an option for high school equivalency. The HiSET exam will be a slightly less expensive test with differences that may be helpful for some students' test taking skills and strengths. Just as the GED, vouchers to defer some cost will be available. Teachers at Aspire will be able to help students determine if this test would be beneficial and prepare for the differences.

SPOTLIGHT ON MANUFACTURING

TCTC Aspire will hold the next Career Tuesday speaker series on Tuesday, February 27th at the Ohio Means Jobs center in Warren. A representative from Starr Manufacturing will be coming to speak about careers in the manufacturing industry. Students are encouraged to come and bring family and friends for this career education event. Let your teacher know if you plan to attend.



PARTNER HIGHLIGHT

OPPORTUNITIES FOR OHIOANS WITH DISABILITIES - OOD

Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities (OOD) is the State of Ohio agency that partners with Ohioans with disabilities to achieve quality employment and independence. OOD works with partners in business, education and non-profit organizations to create employment plans for Ohioans with disabilities; help Ohio companies recruit and retain employees with disabilities; and is the sole agency administering the Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) and Supplemental Security Income (SSI) programs in Ohio. To find out more information or to apply for OOD benefits, visit www.ood.ohio.gov to learn more.

MEET THE STAFF

Victoria Rush teaches at American National University and the Warren Center sites and has been with Aspire for four years. A native of Youngstown, Victoria attended YSU earning her Bachelors in Elementary Education and Masters in Reading. She taught a variety of classes at the primary and secondary levels before joining Aspire. Seeing students make gains, celebrating victories, and sharing in the pains are Victoria's favorite parts of teaching. In addition to teaching, Victoria also enjoys spending time with her daughter, reading, traveling, and her dog, Simba.



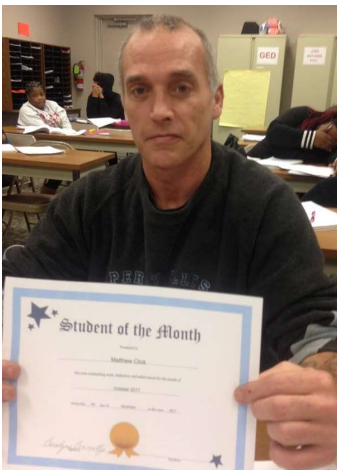
STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

OCTOBER – JAKOB STEPHENS



Jakob attends the TCTC AM Aspire site. He has consistent attendance that has helped him move quickly to meet his educational goals. He is focused on learning and completing the last two of his high school equivalency exams! Jakob is a hard worker and doing well at balancing work and school. Congratulations Jakob!

OCTOBER – MATTHEW CLICK



Matthew attends the Trumbull County Ohio Means Jobs Aspire site. He has a "Never Give Up" attitude and has fought through some tough times, but still returns to class. He has impressive attendance and has shown great improvement in his math! Congratulations Matthew!

NOVEMBER – ZEFFA ALFORD



Zeffa attends the TCAP Aspire site. She comes to class every day because she does not want to miss anything being taught! Her actions are an example to her children about the importance of attending school! Zeffa is motivated to get her GED so she can better her and her family's lives. She always

has a good attitude in class and is a wonderful all around role model! Congratulations Zeffa!

DECEMBER – THOMAS LUMAN



Aspire Student of the Month for December is Thomas Luman! Thomas attends the Trumbull County Take Flight Aspire site. He is an active learner and works hard in all academic areas! His work ethic and attitude are exemplary! Thomas is an asset to classroom morale; he is helpful and encouraging to his fellow

students. He promotes a "YOU Can Do IT!" attitude! Congratulations Thomas!

Upcoming:

- Career Tuesday at Ohio Means Jobs - February 27, 2018 @ 9:30. Come learn about manufacturing.
- Easter break: April 2, 2018 – April 6, 2018 Check with your teacher for classes.
- HiSET test – new high school equivalency test option coming soon.



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