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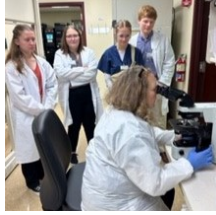
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## Academies in Action



Local 502 talks about apprenticeships to JHS students in trades path



CHS students shadow the lab department at Baptist Health Floyd



NWHS students design & build mazes for their Academy Novel's PBL



GCCS juniors discover postsecondary options at their college fair

## Jeffersonville High School Highlights



College & Career was a focal theme throughout the month. UPS spoke to juniors and seniors about the School to Work program offered. Students not only get valuable work experience and paid well, they also earn college credits through coursework that they complete while on the job site.

Continuing on the focal theme of college & careers, juniors were visited in English classes by their academy coach to learn about the application process for the work-based learning courses offered. These classes afford students the opportunity to receive high school credit, gain employability skills, and potentially earn a paycheck.

Health Services Academy students had a specific college exploration experience, where they did a non-traditional campus visit at Mid-America College's Mortuary School. Students in the Construction Trades pathway also got some targeted support for their education and career advancement, as they visited UA Local 502 to learn about their apprenticeship programs.

And keeping with theme, the counselors have been such a critical support for our students as they navigate their college & career journeys. To celebrate them and the tireless work they do, please check out this [video](#) that highlights their impact.

## New Washington High School Highlights



Health Services Academy and Freshman Academy students received training and earned certifications from the Clark County Health Department for CPR, Stop the Bleed, and Safe Sleep. Additionally, they learned about the harms and supports they provide to address Mental Health, Substance Abuse, and Vaping. Thanks to a grant from the Greater North Clark Health Foundation, this was all possible for these students.

Students in the Business & Entrepreneurship Academy met with the initial Shark Tank investors and presented the financial standing of the previous snack shop. This presentation helped investors determine whether they would participate in another funding round of the business venture.

Juniors from all career-themed academies took a trip to JHS for the annual GCCS College Fair to explore post-secondary education options. In addition to the traditional 2-year and 4-year colleges, there were several branches of the military and numerous training providers and apprenticeship programs representing the various trades.

The Engineering & Advanced Manufacturing Academy began designing and building their mazes associated with their academy's novel—The Maze Runner. After reading the book, groups are challenged to create an artifact that represents and addresses a real-world problem tied to it.

## Charlestown High School Highlights



Seniors in the Health Services Academy participated in job shadowing rotations at Baptist Health Floyd that showcased the various departments. Students learned about career opportunities, as well as how Baptist supports the advancement of their education & training.

All sophomores, juniors, and seniors participated in their annual in-house, Student Employment & Career Fair. Thanks to a wide range of participants, students had opportunities to connect with employers related to their career academy and interests about current and future employment, as well as explore job shadowing and internship opportunities.

Students in the Business Administration pathway courses, as well as students in the Human & Social Services pathway courses learned about consumer credit from Jeremy Haydon of JP Morgan Chase. In addition to learning about what factors impact your credit score, students also learned about the various entities which will typically want to evaluate your creditworthiness.

Students in the Engineering & Advanced Manufacturing Academy showcased their plans, designs, and rationale for the plot of land on Shadow Lake that they were charged with developing. Professionals from the banking, construction, engineering, and real estate industries were on hand to evaluate and provide feedback using their industry expertise. Mayor Treva Hodges was also present to share her insights and to learn what the community values.