CEO INSIDER

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CEO CLUB SPOTLICHTI



The CEO Club wants YOU! CEO students are diverse, friendly and support each other. Have you got an idea to bring forth? Book clubs, study circles, field trips and social gatherings... what would you like to do? Contact Jessi Walker to help make it happen!

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Follow the CEO Club on FB!



Milestone!

June 1 the CEO family celebrated the highest number of graduates in program history! Twentyfour students achieved degrees and certificates. **Everyone** gathered honor their efforts in a ceremony attended by parents, friends and even Bellevue the College President! We hope to continue the trend as more students reach their goals of walking across that stage in cap and gown!

WELCOME TO FALL QUARTER 2017!

The CEO program staff is excited to bring you this monthly newsletter as another way to help you stay aware of all that's going on in our department. We invite your contributions. We'll showcase your artwork and stories and feature CEO student successes. Let your instructors or case managers know what you'd like to provide. This is your forum as well!

Are you creative? We need a CEO pin!

Join the competition to design it! (.eps or .ai format)

Example →

Due by Sept 20 to Christy

CEO students will vote for the winner in next month's Insider!



Glenn Jackson, Director, CHSP

Glenn Jackson is the director of the Center For High School Programs. He's also a champion BBQ chef. His door is always open to CEO students – drop by to say Hi!

DATES TO REMEMBER!

CEO CLUB

Don't miss these activities!

- Sept 29 meet -2pm/B105
- Oct 13 Costume Party
- Board game night
- Ice Cream Social
- Billionaire Book Club
- Video Game Tourney
- Ropes course field trip

CLASSES

Important dates:

- Sept 18 1st day
- Sept 21 Forms due to Case Managers!
- Sept 29 Last day to drop without a 'W'
- Oct 20 Oct forms due
- Nov 3 Last day to drop with a 'W'

HOLIDAYS

- Nov 10 Veteran's Day
- Nov 23-24 Thanksgiving
- Dec 5-7 Finals
- Dec 7 Quarter Ends
- Dec 13 CEO's Got Talent Holiday Party

Don't forget to get your attendance verification forms to your case managers by the 20th of the month!

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Graduating Student Success Story - Robert Dike - Class of 2017

I started in the CEO Program my senior year of high school. Prior to that I always struggled with school. I have ADHD, so learning new material or comprehending information has been a struggle my whole academic life. At my worst, I had no interest in school, especially on top of the bullying and harassment from students and teachers from my old high school. In November of my junior year my high school principal called me in to talk about my grades. During the previous semester I had been struggling with Chemistry, English, Algebra 1 and Spanish. She said that if I couldn't pass those classes that I would be a failure to society. That same day I had a Spanish test that I had studied hard for the night before, but my teacher told me I had failed and made it clear that I was wasting his time. I was booted from my cross country team because of my grades; I was fired from my first job because I couldn't get people to sign up for a credit card; I was bullied because of my ADHD and the better part of my teachers assumed I was a failure because I couldn't do well in my classes. That year was the hardest for me.

I had 2 choices at the end of my junior year. I could either drop out, essentially giving up on my education or I could take a chance with the CEO Program for my senior year. Taking that chance saved my life. As I started the program I got back to feeling like I could succeed in school and in life. I found my passion in economics and business and I knew what I had to do to succeed. Three years of homework later and I'm 10 times the person I was my junior year. I pulled off the best grades of my life, and became stronger and more confident than ever before. Even though I missed out on some typical senior year stuff like graduation and prom, I was doing something that counted for my life. When life gets you down, get back up and kick ass. Don't let your failures define who you are, let them build you to be a better person. Before I leave Bellevue College, I wanted to say thank you to all of the wonderful staff here in the program. Without you guys, my success story wouldn't have been possible.







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