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To: Shawn Petri, Superintendent

From: Mike Evans, Director

Date: March 5, 2026

Subject: CTE Update

**Automotive & Cosmetology – SkillsUSA**

We are incredibly proud of our outstanding students who competed at the SkillsUSA Leadership Competition on Tuesday, February 24th. Our contestants represented us with excellence in Automotive, Nails, Cosmetology, and Esthetics, showcasing their talent, professionalism, and dedication. Special congratulations to our Esthetics and Automotive winners who are advancing to the State Competition in April. We are proud of all our competitors for stepping up, gaining valuable experience, and giving their very best effort.

**MCAN Pathways Award**

At the February CEPD Meeting, the Michigan College Access Network (MCAN) honored Michigan's Career Education Planning Districts with Pathway Awards, recognizing outstanding leadership in expanding high-quality, career-aligned Career and Technical Education (CTE) programs. COOR ATIC and Kirtland Community College received a Pathway Award for their continued collaboration and shared commitment to student success. Through this partnership, ATIC and KCC currently serve 100 dual-enrolled students and 7 Early/Middle College (EMC) students.

**KCC/FSU Campus Visits**

In early February, Automotive, Construction, and Welding students visited Ferris State University's campus, while Med Occupations and Public Safety students toured Kirtland Community College. These visits provided students the opportunity to explore academic programs and experience campus life firsthand.

**Local School Tours**

Grayling tours, Mio presentations, and Fairview tours were held to generate interest in CTE programming, targeting current 10th and 11th grade students. Current CTE students led tours and shared firsthand insight into what to expect from the programs. Many students left excited and have already pre-registered for next year's courses.

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Riddle me this: What has keys, but can't open locks?

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### MONTHLY NEWS

Attendance matters for CTE students because you can't build real-world skills if you're not there to practice them. Showing up means hands-on learning, teamwork, and problem-solving tied directly to future careers. In CTE, attendance is closely monitored, unexcused absences lead to caregiver notifications, meetings, and attendance agreements, and five or more unexcused absences can result in loss of credit or removal from the program. Being present builds reliability and confidence, the same expectations employers have in the workforce. Every day you show up, you're training like a professional. 🛠️

### IMPORTANT DATES

FEBRUARY 11, 2026 - FERRIS FIELD TRIP (AUTO, CON, WLD)  
FEB 13, 2026 - CATIC CLOSED  
FEB 16, 2026 - CATIC CLOSED  
FEB 19, 2025 - KCC FIELD TRIP (MED OCC, PS)  
FEB 20, 2026 - AUTO & COS SKILLS USA  
FEB 23, 2026 - COS SKILLS USA  
FEB 24, 2026 - COS SKILLS USA  
FEB. 25, 2026 - EARLY RELEASE WB & ROSCO ONLY

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### MENTAL HEALTH MOMENT

The CTE Duck Hunt has been a quacking good time! 🦆 The duck scavenger hunt has brought lots of smiles, laughs, and positive energy around campus, and we've loved seeing students get involved. As long as students keep participating, the ducks will keep popping up—so keep an eye out and join the fun! 🦆

Strong emotions don't make you weak; they mean your mind is responding to what's happening around you. Ignoring feelings often makes them louder, not smaller. Learning to name what you're feeling is a powerful form of self-control. Awareness is the first step toward healthier choices. "Name it to tame it"

### REMINDERS

Bullying is a serious behavior that has a lasting impact on others and will not be tolerated. Every student deserves to feel safe, respected, and supported in our school community. Words and actions matter, and choosing kindness, inclusion, and accountability helps create an environment where everyone can learn and succeed. Any behavior that targets, intimidates, or harms another person will be addressed promptly and appropriately.

Riddle answer: A PIANO







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