



September 2025 Board Report

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WELCOME BACK

To kick off the new school year, the Career Center hosted its annual *Welcome Back Assembly*. Students and staff came together to celebrate the start of a new year, building excitement and energy across the building. New and returning students were greeted with a warm welcome, and staff members took the opportunity to introduce themselves and highlight the many opportunities available at the Career Center. The assembly not only set expectations for the year ahead but also encouraged students to feel connected, supported, and ready to succeed in their programs. The positive atmosphere and school spirit on display created a strong sense of community, making the event a meaningful start to the year.



Welcome Danielle and Craig

The Career Center is excited to welcome two new paraprofessionals to our team this year. Danielle has joined the Health Occupations program, and Craig is supporting the Construction Technology program. We are thrilled to have not one but two professionals with extensive experience and expertise in their fields!



Mrs. Haskins

CLINICAL ASSISTANT

Hi! I'm Mrs. Haskins, and I'm thrilled to be your Health Occupations Clinical Assistant this year!

I have a background in hospital care and community nursing, and I love exploring all the different areas of healthcare—there's always something new to learn!

Outside of work, I'm happily married and a proud mom to a little boy. We love spending time outdoors, going for walks around our neighborhood, and volunteering at our church on the weekends.

I'm also a big fan of baking and trying new recipes. When I'm not outside or with family, you can usually find me whipping up treats while watching Gilmore Girls and sipping on coffee.



Failure is a part of learning! Don't be afraid to try!



Mr. Giesseman

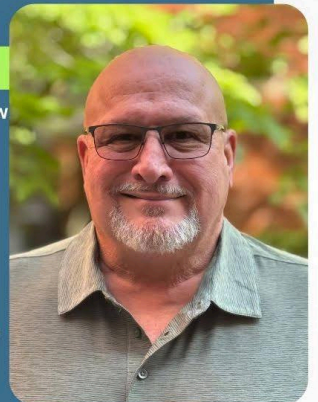
PARAEDUCATOR

Hi, I'm Mr. Giesseman! I'm excited to be your new Construction Paraeducator this year!

I'm an 8-year US Army veteran, a general contractor, and have years of experience in industrial automotive, foundry, production line, and paint line management.

Family is everything to me—I've been happily married for 47 years, have two grown daughters, and eight wonderful grandchildren aged 3–9.

When I'm not working, I love woodworking, staying active with sports, lifting weights, and spending time with my best friend, Bell, my 10-year-old Australian Shepherd.



Take advantage in the teachings and information presented in the class; it will help you throughout your future.

Lakewood High School Enrollment

We are excited to announce that Lakewood High School has its highest student enrollment in Career Center programs in 15+ years, with 19 students participating this year. This growth reflects strong interest in our programs and the value students see in hands-on career opportunities.

Plant and Animal Science Fighting Hunger

The Plant and Animal Science program started the school year off strong by participating in a non-perishable food drive competition. Students were tasked with collecting donations and then using those items to design and build a farm-themed structure. After capturing a photo of their creation, all items were donated to a local food bank. This project gave students the chance to showcase their creativity and teamwork while also making a positive impact in the community. It was a fun and meaningful way to kick off the year, highlighting both their agricultural focus and their commitment to service. As an added incentive, participants also had the chance to win Luke Bryan concert tickets, making the project both exciting and rewarding.

