

IN-CITE-FUL CONNECTIONS

Connecting Students to the *Real World*



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Career Internship Technical Education

February has been designated as *National CTE Month*. Across the United States, schools with CTE are bringing awareness by celebrating the value, achievements, and accomplishments of their program. As Director of the Real World Programs, I'd like to celebrate CTE Month by thanking the CTE and Work Experience teachers for their hard work and dedication to providing students with courses that bring relevancy to real world applications and post-secondary education preparedness. I'd like to congratulate the many students who have mastered CTE standards and created some incredible projects along the way. *CTE at Springs Charter Schools is cause for celebration every month!* *Happy CTE Month!* - Maureen Wilson



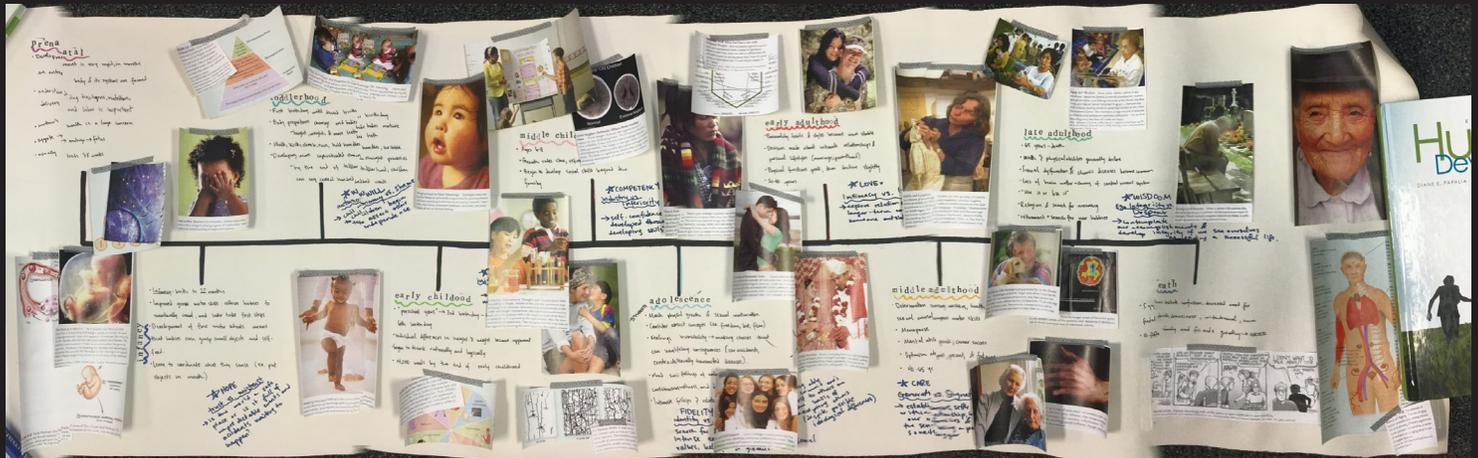
CELEBRATE **TODAY,**
OWN TOMORROW!



CTE *Public Safety* students at the Pathfinder Student Center were privileged to have members of the *Riverside City Fire Department* conduct a presentation. Together, they discussed the qualifications a person needs to be successful in a career in fire service, including the everyday duties involved in working in this career pathway.

NEW REAL-WORLD CTE PATHWAYS TO EXPLORE!

This year our CITE program is excited to welcome *two new pathways* for our students to earn certificates in!



The *Family and Human Services Pathway*, taught by Angela Caceres, prepares students for employment in careers related to families and human needs such as counseling and mental health services, family and community services, and personal care.

CTE Teacher, Maria Smith, is working with 8th grade students at Palm Academy to *Get Ready to Be Ready!* Each week the students meet with the *Hospitality, Tourism & Recreation Pathway* teacher to learn more about careers and post-secondary education. Recently, the students were introduced to the 21st Century Skills they'll need to develop to be successful in the workplace. Students created posters to demonstrate and deliver their learning.



OUR STUDENTS (REAL WORLD) ROCK!

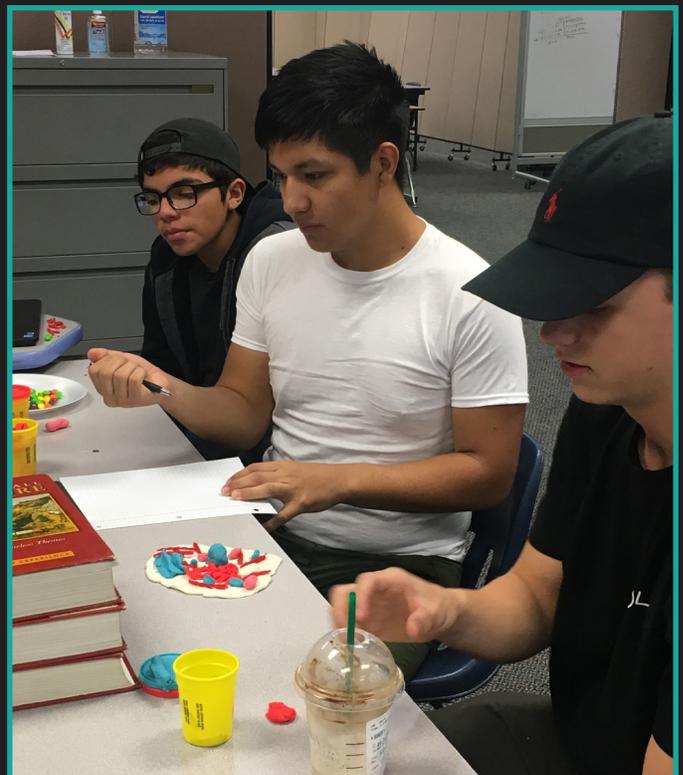
CITE Celebrates Stand-Out Students!



Salma Gutierrez started in her paid position at *Build-A-Bear* just two days before Black Friday. On Black Friday, which is one of the busiest shopping days of the year, she went in to work ready to assist customers with finding the perfect bear for the holiday season. According to her supervisor, even though she was new to her position, she did an amazing job stuffing bears for customers and putting smiles on kids' faces with the traditional Build-A-Bear heart ceremony during Black Friday! ***You Rock Salma!***

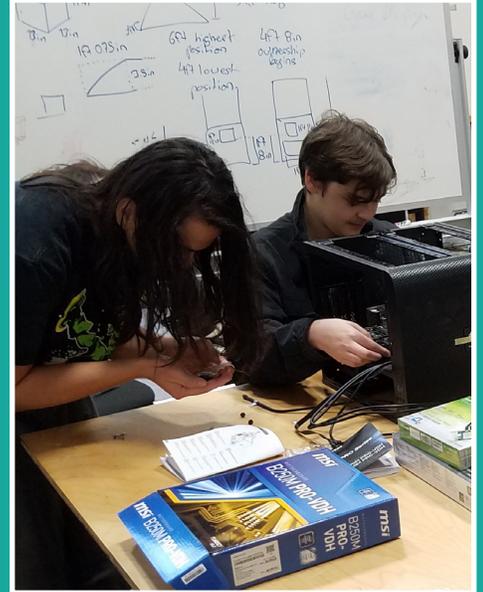
Carlos Rodriguez is taking both CTE *Medical Terminology* and CTE *Anatomy and Physiology*. Carlos is an online student but attends labs at the Magnolia site. ***The other students look forward to the days Carlos is in class because of his leadership skills during small group projects.*** He not only contributes in groups that are working at his current level but also is a great help in bringing all students up to a higher level. ***Carlos is currently working on studying for the college articulated final exam for both classes!***

During Down's syndrome awareness month, Carlos Rodriguez (pictured in the middle) worked with Anatomy and Physiology classmates, Adam Lara, and Brandon Manchester, to demonstrate the stages of meiosis and explain how Down's syndrome occurs. ***You Rock Carlos!***



GET TECHNICAL! GET CREATIVE!

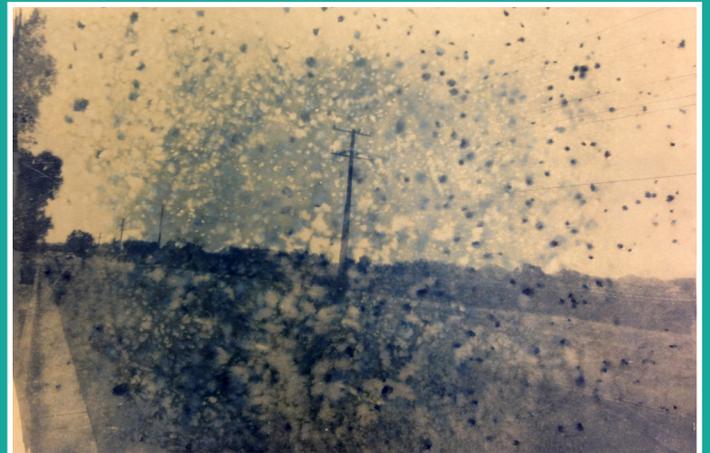
Students get creative and show off their skills in Game Design and Media Arts!



Springs CTE *Game Design* students, Donovan Pinchot, Christopher Penn, Morgan Buettner, and Gloria Figueroa hard at work *building new computers* that they will then use to create their own *student made video games*. Problem solving, attention to detail, and critical thinking skills are all required to complete these complex projects.



Scottlyn Addison and *Anyela Reyes Gomez*, Hemet students in the CTE *Design, Visual, and Media Arts* Pathway, combined 19th and 21st Century technologies in printing to create modern *Cyanotype* prints! The students turned their digital photographs into photo negatives, which they used to expose paper that had been coated in Cyanotype solution (the same printing process used for architectural blueprints, early botanical recordings, and fine art photographs in the 1900s and beyond). *They exposed their images in the bright sunlight and presented their projects, and a history of this process, to the class!*



THE AIRPORT AS A CLASSROOM!

Students enjoy on-site learning at Flabob Airport in Riverside!



Riverside-area students in the *Systems Diagnostics, Service and Repair Pathway* meet at *Flabob Airport* every other week to *work on various parts of aircraft*. In these images the students were riveting wing ribs and painting wheel chocks. The wheel chocks are sold as souvenirs to help fund the program. *The students working hands-on at the airport has been a great motivator as well as a excellent learning experience!*