



## Career Connection Academy

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Dear Parents:

Chester County Economic Development Council has launched the 2022 *Career Connection Academy (CCA)* Level 1 after-school program. The Oxford Area School District was selected as our partner site to host the program for 9<sup>th</sup> graders.

Career Connection Academy provides workshops, field trips and life skills for healthcare and computer science/STEM for (50) *fifty 9<sup>th</sup> grade students*. Students selected to participate in the Career Connection Academy meet on Wednesdays from 2:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. for program activities from March 30, 2022 through May 25, 2022. This schedule may vary depending on field trips, special programs, and school closings. There is no cost to participate in the Career Connection Academy.

Highlights of our healthcare curriculum include the following:

1. Hands-on learning from top medical and university professionals in our region
2. Live surgery which includes interaction with medical professionals during the procedure
3. Field trip to a medical facility to learn about healthcare careers
4. Financial literacy workshop provided by a local bank or credit union
5. Industry standard healthcare certificates to assist with future employment opportunities

Highlights of our computer science/STEM curriculum include the following:

1. Hands-on and observational learning from partners and university professionals in our region
2. Exploring STEM through the design process, coding and entrepreneurship
3. Field trip to a local employer to learn about product development and engineering
4. Computer Application certificates to assist with future employment opportunities

Both programs offer:

1. \$25 gift card for successfully completing registration process
2. \$50 gift card for completing the program with a 70% attendance rate and obtaining at least one healthcare certificates or one computer science certificate
3. Light snacks will be provided during weekly sessions

Attached, you will find the Career Connection Academy application. Interested students should submit their application to **Oxford Area High School Site Coordinators** no later than **March 29, 2022**.

If you need more information about Career Connection Academy, please don't hesitate to email [lcraig@ccdcpa.com](mailto:lcraig@ccdcpa.com)

Sincerely,

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