

Career Notes

Job Training Program Quarterly Newsletter

Geauga County Educational Service Center

Employer Spotlight: Kinetico

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Kinetico was founded in 1970. The company pioneered the development of non electric, fully automatic water treatment systems. In the years since, Kinetico has grown into a global company of independent Kinetico water experts and international distributors serving more than 100 countries.

Kinetico's main headquarters is in Newbury, Ohio. Today over 1.2 million Kinetico water systems are in operation. Kinetico systems include water softeners, drinking water filtration systems and other specialty solutions.

Kinetico partnered with the GCESC Job Training Program in 2019. Students from our program do clerical

work including digitizing documents and entering data in databases. We are currently working in the



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Legal Department scanning documents so that the company can keep track of confidentiality agreements with other companies.

We are currently looking into working with other

departments at the company as well. Throughout the year, students may also work with IT Services and the Research Department. One of our students, Joey Keys says "I like scanning the documents at Kinetico."

Sr. Legal Administrator Kelley Vanek said, "The students are doing a great job scanning and naming the files for our hardcopy Confidentiality Agreements. The task was daunting to me but they are sailing through it like it's a piece of cake. Additionally, they are so polite and considerate, such a joy to be around!"

Sources : [www.https://www.kinetico.com/](https://www.kinetico.com/)

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Districts Served

Kenston

Newbury

West Geauga

Chagrin Falls

Cardinal

Berkshire

Chardon

Dates to Remember:

West Program

No Job Training

10/18

11/27-11/29

East Program

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Job Training Program East Update

GREAT things continue to happen in the Job Training Program EAST! First, we are amazed at how fast the end of the first quarter is nearing! We have gained several new students and staff and developed a cohesive team that is complimented often by the employer's they serve. Students are busy developing the skills needed to competitively compete in today's ever changing industry of skilled and dependable labor. What is most noticeable this year is the gratitude felt and shared from the employers we serve. Not a day goes by where a student is not complimented on their efforts towards meeting the quality expectations of our employers. In return, from the staff and students we are mutually grateful for you and the opportunities you provide to the GCESC Job Training Program! Thank YOU!



Student Spotlight East

Tristan has earned our spotlight student from the GCESC Job Training Program! Tristan job trains at several job sites including; Chardon Heinen's, Berkshire Board of Education, Heather Hill Nursing Home, University Hospital and the Geauga Habitat for Humanity ReStore. Tristan especially enjoys the job tasks at the Geauga Habitat for Humanity ReStore location and feels he has the most impact in a job where he is a part of something greater than himself. Tristan is re-

sponsible for ensuring that the grounds are clean and safe before opening on Fridays. He also enjoys helping in the donation receiving department, especially during the holiday season. Tristan values the work relationships he has developed, but most importantly, the employability skills he has gained while participating in the program. Tristan believes that the GCESC Job Training Program has given him an added advantage when he is ready to seek employment in the community.



Student Spotlight West



Julia Warholic is a Senior at Kenston High School who has participated in the Job Training Program for two years. Julia has practiced job skills at the Preschool, Heinen's, Mustard Seed Market, University Hospitals, Berkshire Board of Education, Old Navy, and Bed, Bath, and Beyond.

Julia was asked what her favorite experience was in job training. She responded preschool was her favorite. Julia has always been interested in animals, but her interest in children grew

after job training in the Geauga ESC Preschool. She would like to work as an aide in a preschool as well as continue to work with horses.

Employers that have worked with Julia express their satisfaction with her positive attitude, work ethic, and ability to learn quickly. She always arrives with a smile, ready to work she never hesitates to help others. She completes her work at employers standards or higher. Julia will be graduating in May of 2020 and we know she will be successful.

Job Training Program West Update

This school year is off to a great start. We have welcomed new students, a few new staff and three new job sites, Kinetico, Great Lakes Cheese and Kent State Geauga.

We are excited to partner with Great Lakes Cheese this year. Great Lakes Cheese is one of the country's leading cheese producers. Students work in the 350,000 square foot production facility. Students are learning the importance of

following food and environmental safety procedures as they work in quality control and packaging.

At Kent State University Geauga students work under director of Enrollment Management and Student Services, Megan Kripple. There some of our students work closely with admissions to assemble materials and track recruitment efforts in the customer service management software. Other

students work in environmental services maintaining the facility. All of the students working at KSU are enjoying the chance to see what college life is like.

