

## **Career Tours Information/Preparation Guide**

This guide has been prepared to help make Career Tours more meaningful and relevant for your students. We have found over the years the students who benefit the most from Career Tours were the ones who are part of a career class or have spoken with a guidance counselor prior to joining us. By preparing students ahead of time we hope to make this time together as productive as possible.

### **Purpose of CVTC Career Tours**

The purpose of Career Tours is to educate students on the relevance of technical college education, highlight career opportunities, check out the campus and meet some of the instructors.

### **What you can do to prepare your students for Career Tours**

- Have a dialogue with the students prior to coming. Discuss purpose of Tours and how to get the most out of the visit.
- Let each student chose which Tour best fits his/her interest.
- Encourage students to research his/her program(s) of interest ahead of time.
- Encourage students to ask questions during the Tour. Brainstorm possible questions ahead of time. This is their time to learn more about technical education opportunities – make the most of it.
- Follow up with the student following the Tours to see how they plan to apply knowledge learned.

### **Possible Questions students could ask on the Tour**

- What classes should I be taking in high school to prepare me for this program?
- What are the admission requirements for my program of interest?
- What is the cost for tuition and other supplies associated with my program of interest?
- What are the start dates – August or January?
- How long is the program—one year or two years?
- What type of classes do I take to graduate from this program?
- What is the starting salary for this career?
- What type of job can I get by graduating with this degree?
- How does the job market look for careers in this program?
- Where are the jobs located with a degree in this program—local or out of state?
- Are there extracurricular or co-curricular activities offered at the college as part of my program interest?

**☞ We look forward to seeing you at Career Tours! ☞**