

Entrepreneurial Challenge – Committee Chair instructions

The Entrepreneurial Challenge will bring together Franklin County students, business professionals and community leaders for a full-day entrepreneurial workshop emphasizing rigor, relevance and relationships.

GOALS:

Inspire future entrepreneurs by providing a hands-on experience with innovation and entrepreneurship.

Build creative thinking, financial literacy, problem-solving, public speaking, team-building and leadership skills.

Provide students with an opportunity to learn, experience and synthesize basic entrepreneurial concepts.

Inform students about learning opportunities to enhance their success beyond high school such as Key Club & Kiwanis Leadership, Learning for Life and Ohio Business Week.

Provide a beneficial professional development experience for school counselors, administrators and teachers.

Provide a meaningful volunteer experience for Kiwanis members, prospective members and future Kiwanians.

EVENT DETAILS:

- Participants Outstanding Franklin County High School Students
- Place Columbus State Community College
- Time/Date Date TBD 8:45 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.
- Lunch Will be provided free of charge for all participants & school administrators

Students/schools are responsible for arranging transportation.

Planning Steps:

- *Contact your three major event partners to confirm their participation and set a date for the event. (90 days prior to targeted event date)*
 - *Due to state testing in the spring the event should be held in the fall.*
 - John Davis – Ohio Business Week*
 - Cheryl Cooper – Columbus City Schools*
 - Rita Bedritis – Columbus State Community College*
- *Send invitation letters to suburban/private schools. (6 weeks prior to event)*
- *Secure a guest speaker (preferably someone with an entrepreneurial story to share with the students)*
- *Make arrangements for continental breakfast. (brought in by volunteers/committee members the morning of the event)*
 - Menu typically includes: orange juice, coffee, muffins/doughnuts/bagels, bottled water, cups, plates, napkins, bananas, tangerines*
- *Make lunch arrangements – in the past White Castle has generously donated sliders for this event. I have also worked with Top Flight Catering to supply salad, cookies, and chips at a reduced cost. Provide bottled water.*
- *Get advisors and volunteers signed up! You will need 10-12 people at a minimum. (we typically like to have 8-10 kids per group for the challenge)*
- *Contact participating schools with final details and obtain head count (we typically estimate 100 students will participate, we allow Columbus City Schools to bring 75 students and limit the suburban/private schools to 4-6)*
- *Contact printer regarding the program printing. I recommend using Mike Gladfelter @ MJW Graphics. (Mike is a Kiwanis member)*
- *Purchase name tags for the participants to use*
- *Have Kiwanis/Key Club/Circle K information available at the event.*
- *Invite Columbus State to have a table set up for the students to visit re: attending CSCC.*

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