1. **College holds Collin Leadership Policy Summit for Collin County leaders**
   - Collin College hosted a half-day **leadership policy summit** for business, community, and civic leaders.
   - The summit included expert panelists discussing regional issues of interest for the **88th State Legislative session**.
   - Topics included education, economic development, health care, transportation, Texas power grid, and workforce needs.
   - Keynote speakers were **Margaret Spellings**, U.S. Secretary of Education (2005-2009) and president and CEO of Texas 2036; and **Rich Templeton**, Texas Instruments chairman, president, and chief executive officer.

2. **College's Cybersecurity program awarded 2022 Academic Innovator of the Year by EC-Council**
   - Collin College was recently named the **2022 Academic Innovator of the Year** by the EC-Council for its Cybersecurity program and training.
   - The International Council of E-Commerce Consultants, also known as EC-Council, is the world's largest cybersecurity technical certification body. Every year, the council recognizes excellence in cybersecurity training and education across global academic communities.
   - Awards issued by EC-Council are highly regarded and widely recognized across cybersecurity communities as the EC-Council has an extensive network of academic partners from K-12, technical institutes, and colleges and universities around the world, impacting tens of thousands of students each year.
   - Last spring, the **National Security Agency** (NSA) designated Collin College as a **National Center of Academic Excellence in Cyber Defense**. The college also received validation from the NSA for its Associate of Applied Science in Information Systems Cybersecurity program through 2027.

3. **Collin College Collision Technology program receives highest ASE level of program accreditation**
   - Collin College earned an **Automotive Service Excellence (ASE) Master collision accreditation** for its Collision Technology program.
   - The program fulfilled its Master collision accreditation - the highest level of program accreditation recognized by the National Institute for ASE - by meeting strict industry standards in the areas of damage analysis/estimating/customer service; painting and refinishing; non-structural analysis and damage repair; structural analysis and damage repair; and mechanical and electrical components.
   - The college will receive a plaque from the **ASE Education Foundation** in honor of this accomplishment.

We hope you’ve had a great fall semester and are gearing up for the upcoming holiday break. Here is the latest from Collin College!
4. Collin College partners with Raytheon Intelligence & Space for apprenticeship program

- Collin College and Raytheon Intelligence & Space (RI&S) have joined in a partnership through the U.S. Department of Labor Registered Apprenticeship program. This is the first partnership for Collin College under that program.
- A National Apprenticeship Week signing ceremony was held at Raytheon in McKinney on Nov. 14. Collin District President Dr. Neil Matkin, RI&S Vice President Jeff Place, and Texas State Director of Apprenticeship Lee Price endorsed the agreement of the apprenticeship in the company of elected officials and representatives.

- The paid apprenticeship is scheduled to launch next year and will provide students with an opportunity to attend Collin in addition to acquiring on-the-job training at RI&S in the following labor roles: assembly technician, precision assembler, and electronics tester.
- For more information about the RI&S Registered Apprenticeship Program, visit www.raytheonintelligenceandspace.com/apprenticeship-program.