



News & Notes

An update from the Communications Department ▪ October 2022

The weather is getting crisper, and the news is only getting better! Keep up with what is going on at Collin College.

1. Collin College welcomes new dean of nursing

- **Dr. David Peruski** has been appointed as the new dean of the college's Nursing program. Before coming to Collin College, he served as the assistant dean of Health and Human Services at **Saginaw Valley State University in Michigan**.
- Under his direction, the Collin College Nursing program will continue to offer quality higher education and the support students need to achieve their educational goals.
- Dr. Peruski received his **Bachelor and Master of Science in Nursing from Saginaw Valley State University**. He later received a **Master of Science in Administration from Central Michigan University**, and a **Doctorate in Community College Leadership from Ferris State University in Michigan**.
- At the start of his career, he joined the **Army Nurse Corps**, where his clinical experience included neonatal, neurosurgical, cardiovascular ICU, and all areas of adult medical/surgical nursing.
- Afterwards, Dr. Peruski served as a nursing faculty member at **Delta College** in Michigan. He also served as the college's nursing program coordinator, health programs division chair, and an academic dean overseeing eight divisions within the college including general education and occupational areas.



2. 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 accreditation is the highest level of program accreditation recognized by the National Institute for ASE.
- The program met 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.



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3. Collin College student's video among finalists in global science video competition



- **Alexander Kader**, a Collin College dual credit student, has been selected as a finalist in a global science video competition named the **Breakthrough Junior Challenge**.
- The Breakthrough Junior Challenge requires students between the ages of 13-18 to create a video focused on science, physics, or mathematics. The students are judged on their ability to discuss scientific theories in a creative way.
- If Kader's video, "**Wobbling Muons, Fermilab, and The Future of Physics II**," wins, he will receive a **\$250,000** scholarship. And as the winner, his school, Collin College, will receive science lab renovations valued at **\$100,000**.
- The winner of the competition will be announced in November.
- View the video here: www.youtube.com/watch?v=2KP1kXz_a24

4. Collin College's Farmersville Campus hosts Blooming Harvest

- The Collin College Farmersville Campus hosted Blooming Harvest, its inaugural community event on Wednesday, Oct. 19.
- The event included live music, bounce houses, a dunk tank, a petting zoo, pumpkin and face painting, yard Jenga, volleyball, cornhole, swag giveaways, and much more.
- This is a biennial event at the campus and open to the community.
- More than 500 people attended the event.

