



*Heart of Ohio Tech Prep Consortium*  
**2010 COLLEGE TECH PREP SHOWCASE**

**Guidelines & Judging Criteria**

**Showcase Date:** Friday, April 16, 2010

**Time:** 8:00 a.m.: Project set-up  
12:30 p.m. Conclusion of tear-down  
8:30 a.m. Promptly: Judging will begin

**Location:** Columbus State Community College  
Center for Workforce Development - 4<sup>th</sup> floor  
550 E. Spring Street  
Columbus, OH 43215  
614.287.5761

**Registration Deadline:** **2:00 p.m. on Friday, March 12, 2010**  
Send to Diane Jarzen at Central Ohio Technical College,  
1179 University Drive, Newark, OH. 43055;  
E-mail: [djarzen@cotc.edu](mailto:djarzen@cotc.edu)  
Fax: 740.366.6692  
Register On-line: [www.heartofohiotechprep.org/showcase.htm](http://www.heartofohiotechprep.org/showcase.htm)  
**(DO NOT SEND TO CSCC)**

**Purpose of Showcase**

The Heart of Ohio Tech Prep Showcase recognizes outstanding teams of College Tech Prep high school students for their ability to grasp, apply, and present a mutually-developed project that demonstrates the higher-level technical and academic content of their Tech Prep career preparation.

**General Guidelines**

**Eligibility.** All team members must be currently enrolled and in good standing in a high school Tech Prep program approved by the Heart of Ohio Tech Prep Consortium.

**Categories.** The Heart of Ohio Showcase does not require projects to compete against each other for general awards. Each project is judged on its own merits as it complies with the general judging criteria, and all teams scoring within the given ranges of Superior (Gold), Excellent (Silver), and Good (Bronze) will receive trophies.

There are 13 career fields in our consortium (see below). The division of categories for judging purposes will be dependent upon the number of project registrations.

Agriculture and Environmental Systems  
Arts and Communication  
Business and Administrative Services  
Construction  
Engineering and Science  
Finance  
Health Science

Hospitality and Tourism  
Information Technologies (all strands)  
Law and Public Safety  
Manufacturing  
Marketing  
Transportation Systems

Project Teams. A single individual or a team can present a project (presentation & demonstration). Teams are preferred. There is no limit on the number of students who may participate as a team in the development of a project, but a maximum of four (4) students may *present* the team's project at the Showcase. All presenters are expected to participate in the oral presentation.

Number of Teams. Each Tech Prep program may register TWO teams to participate in the Showcase.

Dress Code. Participating students should dress suitably for a professional presentation. This may include the appropriate occupational attire of their career area and/or Tech Prep team attire approved by their Tech Prep teacher. (***Appearance counts!***)

Project Originality. Projects are to be student-generated. All project work must be done by the participating students. Teams may not duplicate projects entered by other classmates in previous Tech Prep Showcase competitions. Emphasis is placed on presentations with active demonstrations. Projects that involve community or industry service can expect to score higher than those without this feature.

Transportation. Local schools are responsible for transportation of students to and from the Showcase and for obtaining necessary parental permission for minors. The consortium will provide you with parking information.

Judges. Panels of judges drawn from business, secondary education, higher education, and government will evaluate projects.

Refreshments. A continental breakfast and a light lunch will be provided for all Showcase participants who have pre-registered for the event.

## **Project Requirements**

**Time Limit.** Each team's oral presentation and demonstration is limited to ten (10) minutes. Following the student presentation, judges have ten (10) minutes to ask questions. A Showcase Liaison may assist each judging team to ensure that projects are given equal time.

**Project Size.** A project should not exceed dimensions of 10 feet x 10 feet. One table (approximate size 24" wide x 6' long) per project will be provided. Walls/side panels and additional tables, easels, etc., if provided by a team, must fit within the space limit.

**Project Mobility.** All projects must be self-contained. No on-site technical support, internet hookup, or back-up equipment will be available. Each team must be able to maneuver the project into and out of the contest area (through normal-size doors and up steps). For large projects, modular make-up is recommended. We must know in advance if a project needs Internet access.

**Materials.** Projects at the Showcase may not use hazardous or flammable materials.

**Equipment.** Local schools are responsible for providing equipment needed for their teams' presentations. If the project involves a generator or other large, noise-intensive equipment, Showcase personnel must be notified in advance to allow for appropriate placement of the project. (Please note on the project registration form.) If a presentation requires use of a projector, teams are to bring their own projector and freestanding screen (do not count on projecting on a wall).

**Electricity.** Projects requiring electricity must indicate this on their Showcase registration form. Teams needing electricity should set up their project, check to ensure that it works, and then turn off all electrical items until 5 minutes before the project is to be judged. After judging is completed, teams should turn off all power again so the teams that follow yours will not have difficulty.

**Etiquette.** When a team is being judged, only the judges should be around the project. Teachers may observe from behind the judges but are not permitted to take part or assist in any way, including explaining or prompting. Students and others who are not part of the actual project should not be in the judging area.

**Supervision of Students.** Teachers are responsible for supervising their students, making sure they keep their voices low, stay in the Showcase area, etc.

**Downtime.** Students are permitted to bring appropriate electronic devices to be used when students are not preparing or presenting their projects. All electronic devices must have headphones as to not to disturb others.

## 2010 TECH PREP SHOWCASE JUDGING CRITERIA

Each project will be judged on its own merits, in accordance with the criteria listed below. All participants should read the criteria carefully & make sure their project presentation covers all of the areas listed.

**Knowledge Achieved (10 points).** Students should, through written and oral presentations, demonstrate the achievement of core knowledge related to their Tech Prep area.

- *Did students use major Tech Prep concepts and higher-level academic knowledge to complete their project?*
- *Did students demonstrate this knowledge when explaining their project?*
- *Did students use appropriate terminology, and did they use it correctly?*

**Demonstration/Evidence of Technical Skill (10 points).** Students should show clear evidence of technology skills appropriate for their Tech Prep area and level, through demonstrations, products, photographs, PowerPoint presentations, and/or other media.

- *Did the project clearly show that the students used current technical products/skills?*
- *Did students clearly explain the technical processes used in the project?*
- *Did students use the appropriate technology (and use it correctly) in their presentation?*

**Presentation Skills (10 points).** Students should demonstrate appropriate mastery of skills in oral communication, answering questions, and explaining processes related to their project. In team projects, each student should take an active role in the presentation/demonstration. Students should be appropriately attired for a professional presentation.

- *Did students demonstrate that they were effective communicators?*
- *Were written components of the presentation clear, neat, accurate, and grammatical?*
- *Did each student participate actively in the oral presentation?*
- *Were students appropriately attired for a professional presentation? (Tech Prep team shirts are allowable.)*

**Integration of Business/Industry/Community-Based Organizations (10 points).** The project should show evidence of integration and/or cooperation with business, industry, and/or community organizations. This should include at least one of the following: (1) students worked or volunteered in the industry or other relevant organization; (2) business/industry partners provided assistance and guidance; and/or (3) the project was applied in an appropriate industry or community setting.

- *Did the project show collaboration with industry and/or community partners?*
- *Did students explain clearly how the project relates to the industry or community?*
- *Did students explain clearly how the project provided value to the industry or community?*

**Overall Effect (10 points).** The complexity of the project should be appropriate to the development of future professionals in the technical field. Students should project a business-like (professional) manner. The project should be well organized. All team members should have participated in its development. It should clearly be the work of the students and no one else. Students should display both knowledge about and enthusiasm for the project.

- *Was the project appropriately complex for the level of the Tech Prep program?*
- *Did students present themselves and their project in a professional manner?*
- *Were the project and presentation well organized, neat, clear, and accurate?*
- *Did the students display enthusiasm and commitment for the project?*

**Scoring.** Each judging criterion has a 10-point range. Maximum points = 50.

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|------------------------|-----------|----------------|
| • <b>Gold</b> Trophy   | Superior  | 46 - 50 points |
| • <b>Silver</b> Trophy | Excellent | 41 - 45 points |
| • <b>Bronze</b> Trophy | Good      | 36 - 40 points |

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April 16, 2010

Showcase Site: Columbus State Community College, Center for Workforce Development

## REGISTRATION FORM

The supervising instructor should submit the registration form to **Diane Jarzen** (see address below). You may email, fax, mail, or register on-line at: [www.heartofohiotechprep.org/register](http://www.heartofohiotechprep.org/register). Also, **YOU MUST INCLUDE**: (1) A typed paragraph describing the project, and (2) a typed list of all project participants (with names of their home schools) and Tech Prep instructors.

**Please type or print clearly. Do not write in the margins.**

**Tech Prep Program Name:**

**Tech Prep Program Location:**

**Instructor Name and Email:**

**Phone:**

**Project Title:**

**Grade Level:**    Grade 11        Grade 12

**Team Members and Home School:**

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.

**Brief Description:** (Include a detailed project description for the program book. Attach additional sheets as needed.)

## SPACE REQUIREMENTS

**SPACE NEEDED** (circle):    TABLE    FLOOR                    **DO YOU NEED ACCESS TO THE INTERNET**    YES    NO  
**WILL YOU HAVE A SCREEN or BACKDROP DISPLAY?**    YES    NO                    **ELECTRICITY NEEDED?**    YES    NO

(Participants must furnish all equipment used in the exhibit, including screens; no hazardous/flammable materials are allowed)

## **DEADLINE FOR SHOWCASE PROJECT APPLICATIONS: 2:00 p.m. on Friday, March 12, 2010**

Send registrations and questions to: Diane Jarzen, Tech Prep Clerical Specialist  
Central Ohio Technical College; 1179 University Dr.; Newark, OH 43055-9449  
Phone: 740.366.9238; FAX: 740.366.6692; E-mail: [djarzen@cotc.edu](mailto:djarzen@cotc.edu);  
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**HEART OF OHIO TECH PREP CONSORTIUM  
SHOWCASE 2010  
RELEASE TO UTILIZE PARTICIPANT  
NAME/PHOTOGRAPH/VIDEOTAPE**

**We recognize the value of audio-visual and other types of electronic communication in providing our child with an effective education and hereby grant permission for our child and/or his/her schoolwork products and name to be used, photographed or videotaped as part of an educational program produced by the District or coalition of districts.**

**We further grant permission for the name, photographs or videotapes to be used in media presentations that are made available to other educational institutions or through newsletters or television stations or networks. We understand that our child's image, name, work product, school, and grade level may be revealed in the presentation(s) but that no other information about our child or his/her schoolwork will be revealed without our prior consent.**

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Work Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone/Pager Number \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

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