

Kent State Tech Prep Monthly



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Here are the Tech Prep region's upcoming events for the rest of the year [here](#).

Event Highlight:

November 16th, 2022: Embedding Equity in your Registered Apprenticeship (Sponsored by the Center for Apprenticeship and Work Based Learning) – **Free, and virtual.**

[Register here](#)

Coordinator's Welcome

Hello! Even though the weather is getting chillier, I know the work we're doing with our students is only just heating up!

I know classroom time is precious; however, I am still hoping to visit your Career Tech Classrooms to speak with your seniors about what credits they can earn if they attend Kent State. If you are willing to allow me to visit your districts (virtually or in person), please ask your teachers to contact me via e-mail to set up a visit to their classrooms. I plan to visit 9th- 11th graders in the spring similarly.

My goal is to visit all of our partners before Thanksgiving so that students can make sure that they apply to Kent early.

Sincerely,
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Professional Development Opportunities

Did you know that the Northeast Ohio tech prep region records many of our professional development sessions and puts them on our website? It's alright if you didn't. This is a relatively new feature!

To view our past professional development sessions and see upcoming sessions check out our region's professional development session via the [region website!](#)



CTE-26 is Opening Soon

CTE-26 Applications are set to open this month. This year, the Northeast Ohio Tech Prep Region aspires to assist districts in completing applications efficiently and before the March deadline. We can offer you as much time as possible to make any changes so that every program you submit is approved and ready to provide your students with the best education possible.

A copy of last year's CTE-26 Manual and other details is available at [this link](#). As in years past, the region will be hosting a series of workshops to assist you with these applications- the first of these sessions will be on January 12th!

Please visit the region's newly revamped Tech Prep website for a list of these sessions and more [Tech Prep website](#).

Campus Highlight: [Kent State Stark](#) (pictured above)

Each of our regional campuses are unique, but they all offer amazing opportunities! Students who choose to attend Kent State Stark often graduate debt free! The cost of tuition at this campus is less than half the cost of attending the Kent Campus. Kent State University at Stark features 5 associate degree options (which are automatically awarded to qualified bachelors degree seeking students,) 25 bachelors degrees, and even a master's degree in curriculum and instruction!

Be sure to check to see if your Tech Prep credits or CTAGs are applicable at [Kent Stark](#), and visit today!



Monthly Spotlight



November 2022: Humtown Additive

With a focus on technological innovation, Humtown Additive is the largest manufacturer of 3D-printed sand cores and molds in North America. Humtown was established as a pattern shop in Columbiana, Ohio, over 60 years ago, later expanding into the production of conventional sand cores and molds. In 2014, Humtown Additive began operations and grew to include an entire fleet of sand 3D printers at its Leetonia location, producing parts for aerospace, oil, gas, automotive, and more.

The winner of the National Association of Manufacturers 2020 Manufacturer of the Year, Humtown offers a unique work culture for its team of "Industrial Athletes". The leadership prides itself on recognizing individual efforts and welcomes input. This cooperative spirit contributes to the quality of the product being shipped to customers.

Humtown Additive is fully engaged with the community, placing a special emphasis on Educational Integration in schools. As a member of the Ohio State School Board, CEO Mark Lamoncha understands the challenges educators face when introducing career options to students. His passion for providing young adults with tools they can use to explore future career paths has led to partnerships and initiatives that introduce manufacturing concepts to elementary to college-level students. Recently, Humtown set up offices in the Excellence Training Center in Youngstown, supporting the Micro Foundry by supplying prototypes for university projects and OEMs. The company also recently released the first installment in the video series "Through the Lens of my Friends," a journey with middle schoolers as they take their classmates on a tour of Humtown Additive, exploring the manufacturing process with a hands-on experience in the production of sand cores and molds.

Humtown's passion for manufacturing, and people, has led to many thoughts that inspire the team and community. As Mark would sum up, "At Humtown we think of inspiration as something that we need in constant supply – to do our best for ourselves, our families, our customers, and our company." Humtown will always strive to be an inspiration and leader for those we serve.

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To view careers or take a virtual tour, visit [Humtown's Website](#)

To nominate a colleague, student, partner, or program for our monthly spotlight, please fill out [this nomination form](#).

If they are selected, we will reach out to them for more information!

The Kent State Tech Prep Monthly Newsletter is an informal monthly newsletter distributed by the Kent State University Tech Prep Coordinator on the first Tuesday of each month.

To make this newsletter as helpful as possible, we're soliciting [feedback here](#).

Please forward this to any colleagues, especially CTE Teachers, who may find it interesting, or [sign them up here](#).