

Career Tech Matters

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There's rarely a dull moment during the school year at Pickaway-Ross and as we get into fall, this year is no exception.



Donna Patrick is again organizing this year's Career Tech Kids Day, which will take place from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 2, at main campus.

Donna brought the idea of a half-day career fair for 2nd- to 8th-graders to the LAMPS committee several years ago and after a year of planning it was introduced in 2016.

Each year, the event grows, with new sessions added and more young people being introduced to career tech education through activities such as Cupcake Creations, Metal Works, Robospheres and Whodunit, in which Law & Public Safety students will guide kids through a mock crime scene investigation.

Thanks to Katie Hewitt working the phones, several area

businesses signed on as sponsors so that participants who registered in time could get a free T-shirt. L & J's Pizza, Laurelville Auto Parts, Laurelville Grain & Mill, Pizza Pioneer, The Class Act School of Cosmetology, The Ridge Inn, Wood Contours and Young's Family Market join presenting sponsor Kingston National Bank and lunch sponsors McDonald's and Perfection One.

"You never know what to expect when you start an event," Donna said. "But the collaboration that has been shown by Pickaway-Ross staff members and the student involvement that makes this event a success every year continues to amaze me."

The link to sign up for Career Tech Kids Day is www.pickawayross.com/CTKD.aspx.

Also on the horizon is Pancakes with Santa, a LAMPS-initiated project that Student Council has stepped up to oversee.

First held last year, this event will be from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 7, at main campus. Visitors can get pancakes

October fun

Trunk or Treat
5-6:30 p.m. Oct. 30

Preschoolers
trick-or-treat
*9:45 a.m. and *1 p.m.
Oct. 31
(*approximate start time)

and a picture with Santa and Mrs. Claus for a recommended donation of \$5.

Another popular element of the day is the craft show, organized by Tracey Eyre. Tracey and Tammy Sutherland started the craft show to raise money to benefit a student scholarship.

While Tracey is just now starting to get vendors for the show, last year the commons was full with more than 30 vendors. People interested in reserving a space, which costs \$25 per table, can contact Tracey (tracey.eyre@pickawayross.com).

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Cupcake Creations (far left) is one of 16 sessions available at Career Tech Kids Day on Saturday, Nov. 2. On Saturday, Dec. 7, Santa will be on campus for a Student Council fundraiser.