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Student Worker Spotlight: Hope Ezell & Katelyn Gerke

Welcome back returning students and welcome to our new student hires into the Viking Corps and America Reads Program! We are looking forward to another great year with all of you!

As most of our students and partners know, one of the great things about the Viking Corps and America Reads Program is that we hire Cleveland State students of all majors, students who live on-campus or commute, freshman through graduate student status, athletes, and students with multiple jobs. We welcome referrals. We hire friends, roommates, and siblings. We recently re-hired a student who worked for this program during her undergraduate program and now is returning to tutor for us 10 years later during her graduate program!

For the first issue of this academic year, we would like to recognize a returning student worker and a recently hired student that

joined the program this year! **Hope Ezell**, is returning for her fourth year in the Viking Corps and America Reads Program! She is a Music Therapy major and is a senior at CSU. Hope plans to become a Music Therapist working in schools or in a rehabilitation program. She also wants to become a church music director. We are so happy to have you return to the program, Hope! We would also like to introduce a new student worker, **Katelyn Gerke**! Katelyn is a freshman, majoring in Health Sciences, specifically Pre Physical Therapy. Katelyn remarked that she was very excited to get started when she discovered the program at the CSU Job Fair where we began seeking



recruits before the semester started. Katelyn gave us insight as to why she wanted to become involved in the program, "It looked like a lot of fun and seemed very flexible for college students. Most of all, the job is very, very rewarding." Once hired, Katelyn referred several friends and roommates to the Viking Corps and America Reads program. Thank you Katelyn and keep up the great work!

Upcoming Site Closures!

- ◇ 9/30-10/11: Davis A&M Fall Break
- ◇ 10/12: B&G Closed for Columbus Day
- ◇ 10/14: Tutoring as Usual at all sites except CPL and B&G which are closed for Columbus Day
- ◇ 10/15: CSU Closed for Columbus Day, Tutoring as Usual
- ◇ 11/5: Davis A&M Closed for Election Day
- ◇ 11/11: All sites closed for Veterans Day, except CCPL



Reminders

- ◇ Consistent attendance at sites is important in building relationships with youth
- ◇ Keep engaging with the staff at your site
- ◇ Exchange contact information with the site
- ◇ Get to know other CSU students
- ◇ Keep your Bi-Weekly Logs and Timesheets at your site
 - ◇ Remember to fill them out everyday at the site
 - ◇ Have the Logs and Timesheets scanned and emailed by a site staff member
- ◇ Email us any memorable moments you have had with the students!

Tutor Tool Kit and Tutor Manual

Coming Soon...

Student Worker Tips of the Month

Finding it difficult to work a job when school assignments are piling up? Here are a few ideas to help you manage both responsibilities!

- ◆ Work ahead! Completing future assignments in advance is a great way to get ahead! You will feel less stressed about school and work by using this tip!
- ◆ Manage your time wisely! By blocking out time for classes like you do for work, you will be successful in all of your commitments!
- ◆ Use an academic planner to record class and work schedules along with deadlines and upcoming events!