Hello!

We are thrilled to see you next **Thursday, March 28, 2024** at **Job Olympics!** We are very thankful to Johnson County Community College (JCCC) for donating the space for this event each year. This email includes some information about the day of the event, as well as final room lists! Masks are not mandatory, but please feel comfortable wearing one if you choose.

<u>WEBSITE:</u> You should be able to find the answers to everything here. <u>www.advocacyinmotion.org/job-olympics.php</u> <u>www.ksjobolympics.com</u>

Event Schedule!

Our event will run like previous years. See schedule below.

Arrival: 8:00AM – 8:45AM
Competitions: 8:30AM – 11:00AM
Lunch: 11:00AM – 11:45AM
Mascot Slide Show: 11:45
Awards Presentation: 11:45AM – 1:30PM

Dismissal begins: 1:30 – 2:00PM

<u>ARRIVAL INFO.</u>: You will enter through the circle lot at the **Midwest Trust Center (MTC)** at Johnson County Community College:

LOCATION: 12345 College Blvd. Overland Park, KS 66210.

View the **Campus Map**

Enter the MTC Lobby and Check-In at the table. Each school will be given an envelope that includes a map, a printed list of events and room numbers, and a copy of your event registration form that you submitted for your school. The MTC and RC Floor Plans of competition rooms and list of events with room numbers are also available on our website (and attached to this email). I suggest sharing this with support staff who will be attending.

Changing room is MTC 232. There will be a cot with changing pads for you to use. *This is a change from previous years.

<u>DISMISSAL INFO.</u>: Dismissal is managed by the JCCC Campus Police Department. Everyone that has communicate dismissal times has been noted and communicated to Campus Police. Many schools must leave by 1:30. If you have questions specific to transportation, please contact me by email.

PARTICIPATING SCHOOLS:

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	School Name	Post High School Programs

Blue Valley High School	The Bridge
Blue Valley Southwest High School	Capital City School – Next Steps
Blue Valley West High School	Lakemary – AIM Program
DeSoto High School	GE TRAILS
Gardner Edgerton High School	Community Connections @ Pickney (C-TRAN)
Highland Park High School	Pathways Transition Program (TBLSEC)
KS School for the Deaf	Washburn Rural High School
Lawrence High School	KS School for the Deaf
Leavenworth High School	Shawnee Heights Post – High
Mill Valley High School	
Olathe East High School	
Olathe Northwest High School	
Olathe South High School	
Olathe West High School	
Shawnee Heights High School	
Topeka High School	
Topeka West High School	

<u>CLOTHING:</u> Students are judged on grooming. They should dress appropriately for a job setting. Appearance is very important for many of the competitions. We always encourage students to consider this a "first impression" opportunity with community employers.

NURSE: There will be **NO NURSE** available on this campus. Keep this in mind for students who need special accommodations for medical needs.

NAME TAGS:

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First and Last Name:
Grade:
School Name:
Events:

^{**}If you did NOT receive a photo release for your students, please use a RED nametag for the student or include a RED dot the size of a quarter on the front of the name tag.

<u>LUNCH</u>: Schools/students should bring a sack lunch with them. You can keep a cooler with lunches in Yardley Hall or Polsky Theater upon arrival. We will have 3 designated areas/rooms for lunch this year. Please utilize these areas, or tables in the atrium of the Regnier Center for lunch. If weather permits, please feel free to enjoy lunch outside! If you MUST sit in a hallway to eat, you MUST sit on one side of the hallway (not against walls on both sides of the hallway). Your assigned lunch area will also be prominently displayed in your school folder upon arrival.

HEALTH, SAFETY AND EMERGENCY INFORMATION:

Social distancing is encouraged. Hand sanitizer will be available at each event room. Masks are optional.

Due to COVID-19 risks, competitors are <u>not required</u> to shake hands with judges. They may <u>CHOOSE</u> to shake hands or they may instead acknowledge the judge through the following:

- Verbal greeting
- Eye contact and smile
- Wave/gesture "hello"

Emergency Response Plans:

Regnier Center Emergency Response Plan

Midwest Trust Center (MTC) Emergency Response Plan (FIRST FLOOR)

Midwest Trust Center (MTC) Emergency Response Plan (2nd Floor)

NO SMOKING: No Smoking is allowed. Students who are caught violating this rule will be eliminated from the competition. Homeschool rules apply on the JCCC campus.

<u>ACCESSIBILITY:</u> Johnson County Community College is a handicap accessible facility. Just like in previous years, there will be a specific area with table for changing/bathroom needs of a student that would require this type of accessibility while on campus.

We Still Need Job Olympics Volunteer!

**Share this information with parents and support staff who may be able to lend a hand!

Be a Job Olympics Volunteer!

Job Olympics is Thursday, March 28, 2024 at Johnson County Community College

If you haven't signed up or shared our volunteer information, please share it with any coworkers and parents who might be interested in volunteering.

<u>Be a 2024 event judge!</u> We encourage students, professionals from the disability field, community members and employers to sign-up as a judge. You will interact with students one-on-one and use a rubric to evaluate student performance of the job skill. Please only sign-up for one event. (8:00AM – 11:30AM)

<u>Be a 2024 event Captain!</u> - Event Captains must be an educator, paraprofessional, or previous captain at Job Olympics. The Captain will train the volunteer judges of the event and manage check-in of students at the specified event. Please only sign-up for one event. (7:30AM – 11:30AM)

<u>Be a 2024 General Volunteer!</u> - General volunteers assist with the management of the event, which includes setup, clean-up, registration, awards ceremony and directing participants at the event. (7:00AM – 3:00PM)

Purchase a Job Olympics T-Shirt from 2019!



Purchase a <u>Job Olympics T-Shirt from</u> 2019 year for **\$1.00.** Items can be picked-up at our office or select shipping to have the items mailed or dropped off to your school.

Shirts are available in sizes: M, L, XL and 2XL

Shirts are light blue with navy printing, and yellow Olympic flame.

AWARDS CEREMONY:

Awards ceremony will be from 11:45 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. in Yardley Hall in the Midwest Trust Center (MTC) at Johnson County Community College. Parents are invited to attend. Students/Teachers should listen carefully to announcements of contest winners for the <u>first three places</u> (1st, 2nd, and 3rd), and these winners should proceed quickly to the front of the theater for their medals.

Our two divisions are **High School** and **Post-High School**. Students compete within their divisions. There is no competition by grade level (*a changes from years pre-COVID*).

There is an assigned schools seating chart put together by JCCC. It is accessible <u>HERE</u> and it will be in your school envelope.

We are THRILLED to have **Emcee Dennis** from <u>Happy Faces Entertainment</u> delivering our competition results, hyping up the crowd, offering entertainment during dismissal.

We plan to have envelopes with results and ribbons by the end of the event. We will mail out any items as soon as possible if your school leaves early. If we do not have the envelopes ready upon dismissal, they will be mailed the following week.

<u>QUESTIONS:</u> Our website should include all of this information for you to access at any point during the event. https://www.advocacyinmotion.org/job-olympics.php You can also call or text my cell phone: 913-735-5020.

HAVE FUN! SEE YOU ALL ON THURSDAY, MARCH 28th!

Regards,

Sarah Otto & Advocacy in Motion, Inc. Board of Directors