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STUDENT INTERVIEWS

General Interview Questions:

1. How did you first become interested in CareerTech?
2. Why did you choose the program/programs? What do you know about this/these programs?
3. How did you prepare for this interview?
4. What are your plans after high school?
5. What is your favorite academic subject? Why?
6. What is your least favorite academic subject? Why?
7. When not in school, how do you occupy your time?
8. What responsibilities do you have at home?
9. Tell us something unique that sets you apart from the other students applying to CareerTech.

Program Specific Interview Questions by Academy

CONSTRUCTION ACADEMY

BCT

1. What does BCT stand for? What trades will you be learning in this program? Are you afraid of heights?
2. How are your math skills? (adding, subtracting fractions, reading a tape measure) Can you tell me what 1 ½ + ¼ equals?
3. Explain how you are self-motivated?
4. How will this program prepare you for the job you've always wanted?

Carpentry

1. Are you afraid of heights?
2. How are your math skills? (adding, subtracting fractions, reading a tape measure)
3. What qualities do you think make a good carpenter?
4. Are you involved in any clubs or organizations?
5. Who do you admire the most or who would you consider to be a role model?

Electrical Occupations

1. What is the most important safety concern for electricians?
2. What are your two best character traits…two worst?
3. Who do you admire the most or who would you consider to be a role model?

HVAC

1. Do you see yourself having a career in HVAC?
2. Are you self-motivated and focused on your studies?
3. If your assignment for the day was to read a unit in your HVAC textbook and answer questions from that unit, how would you feel since you wouldn't be doing hands-on that day?

HEALTH ACADEMY

Allied Health

1. What do you think are the most important personality traits that would be most effective for health care workers?
2. Why do feel health care would be a good fit for you as a career?
3. Give an example of a situation where you had to deal with a difficult situation and what you did?

Dental

1. Do you enjoy being around others and conversing?
2. Which of these do you know how to use proficiently?
   (Using a computer, Microsoft Word, PowerPoint, email, MLA format)
3. Do you want to be in someone's mouth completing procedures?
4. Are you willing to go to co-op as a senior and work in a dental office?

Medical Assisting

1. What interests you about becoming a medical assistant?
2. Are you willing to spend hours learning and practicing skills?
3. Do you feel comfortable and confident when speaking to people?

Vet Assisting

1. Do you see yourself being able to handle urine, stool, and blood on a daily basis?
2. What are some signs a dog or cat could give you that would cause you to be more cautious when handling them?
3. What do you see yourself using this program for upon graduation and why?

Sales & Human Service Academy

Cosmetology

1. How do you handle working under pressure or stressful situations?
2. When have you resolved a conflict when working on a team?
3. Out of all the applicants, why should we pick you?
4. Do you understand how important attendance is for this program?

Culinary Arts

1. Students have a lot of program-related book assignments so that they can excel in their trade. Do you believe “written” assignments are something that you can commit to? Do you think they are necessary?
2. How much “food related” activities do you do outside of school? How does it make you feel when you cook and bake?
3. Do you like working with a lot of people in a busy environment? How does that make you feel?

Early Childhood Education

1. A key part of being an early educator is helping children develop their problem-solving skills. Tell me an example of a problem that you've had personally and how you were able to solve that problem.
2. Young children can present very challenging and frustrating behaviors at times. How would you handle a child who is refusing to do work or share with other children?
3. This is going to be a rigorous program where you're going to be learning about theories and best teaching practices, then using them to teach 3- and 4-year-olds. We're really looking for confident students who are dedicated to completing all 3 levels with us at CareerTech. What makes you the best candidate for the Early Childhood Education program?

Graphic Communications

1. Do you identify yourself as a creative individual?
2. Are you able to work (stay on task) individually and in small groups?
3. Are you comfortable using a computer? How are your typing skills?

Landscaping & Horticulture

1. Do you have an issue getting dirty?
2. Do you like to work outside or in a greenhouse?
3. Do you like working as team or in small groups?

Marketing and Web Design

1. If you owe a friend 65 cents and you give them one dollar…what would the change be?
2. Do you like working at a computer for the majority of the school day and submitting all your work on a computer?
3. Do you struggle with doing a presentation in front of the classroom?
4. Are you comfortable speaking with people?

Stem/Manufacturing Academy

CIM

1. Are you able to adapt to new rules or following safety guidelines you may not agree with? This could include a no cell phone policy or needing to wear safety shoes or other safety requirements?
2. Are you able to focus on an individual task? Or would you find it difficult to stay focused with other students nearby?
3. What would you do if you saw another student doing something inappropriate, unsafe, or illegal?

Electronics

1. How do you feel about math? Are you good at it, or do you like it?
2. How are your problem-solving skills?
3. Do you consider yourself a patient person?

Engineering

1. How do you feel when you are under pressure to complete a project?
2. How do you feel when someone criticizes you or your work?
3. Do you think you are creative? Do you have an interest in the mechanical aspect of how machines work?

IST

1. What do you think you will be doing in the IST Program?
2. What subject do you like best in school and why?
3. What interests you most about IST?

Mechatronics

1. Do you work well with your hands (mechanically inclined)?
2. What is your definition of Mechatronics?
3. How good are you at following directions and paying attention? Be honest with yourself.

Welding

1. Do you like to do hands-on work?
2. Do you work well with others?
3. How is the program going to help you with your career?
4. Why do you think attention to safety equipment and detail is an important part of this program?

Transportation Academy

Ag Mechanics

1. Is this program your first choice? Why?
2. Are you willing to work hard every day and be a good student?
3. How do you feel about the teacher evaluating you after the first two weeks of school and having the authority to remove you from the class?

Auto Collision

1. How does your experience as an automotive technician separate you from other applicants?
2. Tell me about a time when you developed your own way of doing things or were self-motivated to finish an important task.
3. Name a time when your patience was tested. How did you keep your emotions in check?

Auto Technology

1. Can you see yourself working in this industry as a career?
2. Why do you want to be in this program?
3. Are you willing to work hard to be successful in this industry?

Diesel Mechanics

1. What does the statement “attention to detail” mean to you?
2. Are you able to lift 70 lbs.?
3. How do you respond to seeing your blood?