FUTURES PLUS NEWS!



WISEBURN OPENS FOR IN-PERSON ASSESSMENTS THIS WEEK

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FOSTERING INDEPENDENCE

Through these unusual times, FUTURES Plus has been learning all about what we can do during these times to grow in our independence as well as our vocational and independent living skills.

One skill many students expressed was a desire to work on was registering to vote. Voting is one of the most important civic duties that Americans have. This term several students were walked through the multi-step process of registering to vote and were THRILLED when their vote by mail ballots arrived at their homes.

Additionally, several students have been actively working towards obtaining their license. Each student has a copy of the DMV handbook to study and once a week we come together as a class to take a DMV practice test and review the results. It has been exciting to see students making progress in understanding the rationale behind the "rules of the road."



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UP COMING EVENTS:

- Vocation Training Event
- Student Website Development
- Short Story Competition



OUR GARDEN IS AN EXCELLENT PRODUCER THIS YEAR!







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MANAGER Q & A

We recently had a guest speaker who is a manager of a Marshalls and hosted a Q & A with the students, to give them an idea about what managers look for in new hires, as well as tips on how to make your application stand out. The students came prepared with a lot of questions and our guest speaker, Amber, was able to field a lot of questions and help better prepare our students for the work force. She will be a recurring guest speaker and we are already making a list of new questions for her!

Our class is also wrapping up a "Time Management" research project in order to better understand the importance of organizing some type of schedule or method to keep track of one's day. The students have been researching articles and videos that give Time Management tips and focusing on a few strategies that they want to try this year. It has been a great project and a wonderful way for students to practice their public speaking skills, giving their presentations in front of students and staff!



FALL FUN AT FUTURES PLUS!

To safely celebrate Halloween as a class this year, we learned about the history of Dia de los Muertos, then had a pumpkin painting party via zoom. Some of the students got really creative with their pumpkin designs and they came out great!

