

Montello Jr/Sr High School's Career & Technical Education (CTE) Department recently hosted several activities in its month-long celebration of CTE Month in February. The department hosted a variety of events to connect students with businesses and organizations in the community to help them develop skills that align with the District's Graduate Profile.

Highlights of the month included trips to UW-River Falls and UW-Platteville, where students had the opportunity to tour the campuses and learn about the different programs and career paths available at each school. The trip was a great way for students to explore their options and get a taste of what college life is like. In addition to the college tours, the CTE Dept. also hosted a DNR warden speaker, who spoke to students about the important role that conservation plays in our community and the different career paths available in natural resources management. The speaker was a great inspiration to students who are interested in pursuing careers in law enforcement and spending time outdoors.

The CTE Expo on March 2, 2023, was the capstone event of the month and featured representatives from over 20 businesses and colleges who students could talk to about how to be successful in their field. They also learned about potential internships and employment at area businesses. The event featured several community speakers on topics such as budgeting basics, community organizations, goal setting, and how to get the job.

The CTE Dept. extends a heartfelt thank-you to all of the community partners for supporting the events and sharing their time and expertise with our students. Partners included the Marquette County District Attorney's office, MATC, National Bank & Trust, Lake Arrowhead Campground, Northside Auto, Elite Marble, CESA 5, Montello Candy Store, Marquette County EMS, Marquette County Extension, Marquette County Highway Dept, Marquette County Sheriff's Dept, Findorff, Cotter Realty, US Post Service, UW-Stevens Point, UW-Oshkosh, Matt Faltz, Fortifi Bank, and Brakebush.

There are ongoing opportunities to partner with the CTE Dept, and participate in next year's CTE Month. If you are interested in partnering, contact the CTE Dept. at [cte@montelloschools.org](mailto:cte@montelloschools.org). Thank you from the CTE Department: Corey Foght, Hannah Wolsdorf, Paul O'Kon, Sam Lloyd, and James Houdek.











