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Opportunities to Connect with Students

CCSET has a new online di-
rectory, **Cabell Connect**. It is
a listing of individuals who
are interested in visiting Ca-
bell County public school
classrooms to share their ex-
pertise, interests or hobbies.
Whether you are a banker,
attorney, artist, or bee keeper,
the knowledge you have can
positively impact students’
lives often leading many to
make education or career
choices. Take 5 minutes to
make a difference for stu-
dents by registering.

The **Cabell Connect** direc-
tory will be shared with
teachers who can search
the resource for speakers
based on topics listed by
community members. Once
a potential speaker is identi-
fied, the teacher will send
the request to CCSET staff
to make the connection. To
register, go to
www.cabellempower.org
and click on the Get
Involved “Cabell Connect
Directory” tab.

*“We are putting some of
the most gifted, interesting
individuals in our com-
munity at our teachers’
fingertips. The teachers
have never had a resource
like this and I believe it
will be a powerful tool for
bringing together students
with caring adults who
can encourage them to
achieve their dreams.”*
Ellenda Ward, CCSET
Director

Comics and Cars Event Supports CCSET

As part of their back to school events,
the Huntington Mall was the setting
for the first Cabell County Student
Empowerment Team’s **Comics and
Cars** show on August 15. The event,
open to all makes and models of
vehicles and motorcycles, took place
in the mall parking lot behind Sears.
The event also featured Batman
Heroes for Higher and their Hope
Mobile. Visitors could also come
dressed as their favorite Comic hero,
nemesis, or anime to participate in a
costume contest. Everyone attending
had an opportunity to vote for their
favorite car.

A Peoples’ Choice Award was present-
ed at the end of the show. A special
thank you to the Huntington Mall for
hosting the event and for the car enthusi-
asts who shared their wonderful cars
with the public. Also, special thanks to
Christ Temple Church for providing their
technical support for the sound system
and for **2REAL** for providing music.

All proceeds from this event are helping
CCSET continue to connect Cabell
County students with the resources they
need to **Connect. Believe. Achieve.**
Another show is being planned for
summer 2016.

Pictures from Comic and Cars Event



Classroom Champions Serve Explorer Academy Students

When the **Explorer Academy** opened its doors in August, students from the former Peyton and Geneva Kent Elementary were faced with many new changes. One of the positive changes included sixteen **Classroom Champions** available to tutor 32 students in a one-to-one situation, along with three additional tutors targeted to work with students in one classroom.

“This is the largest number of **Champions** (adult tutors) we have had since the initiative was introduced at Peyton Elementary several years ago,” said Diane Shattls, CCSET Board member who has recruited most of the **Classroom Champions**.

The teachers recommend students who could benefit from some extra one-on-one tutoring to improve their reading and/or math skills. The **Champions** meet once a week with their “Little Champ” for thirty minutes and work on materials provided by the teacher.

LET'S GET CONNECTED! FIND US HERE:



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Our Mission:
 Connecting resources to empower
 students to achieve personal
 excellence.

WEBSITE: www.cabellempower.org

What a great shared vision! #empowered

“Our task is to
HELP children
 communicate
 with the **WORLD**
 using all their
 potential, **STRENGTHS**
 and **languages**,
 and to **overcome**
 any **OBSTACLE**
 presented
 by our **culture**”

FACEBOOK: Cabell County Student
 Empowerment Team