

## Members,

Our 2024 Leadership Ohio Valley Class is set to begin in a few weeks. There is still time to participate. This program has always been a unique opportunity for all participants. We know you will have a rewarding experience and make lasting memories. Call us today to reserve your spot.

Be sure to mark your calendars for all the upcoming events we have planned over the next few months. We hope to see everyone out enjoying the upcoming holiday season.

Our 2023 Christmas Parade theme is "Candyland Christmas." Planning is underway, and we can't wait to see the creative entries the night of the parade. Thank you to our Christmas Parade Sponsors (to date): Nick's Auto and West Virginia Northern Community College. Thank you to our Christmas Firework Sponsors (to date): Grande Finale Sponsor: Summer's Enterprise; Firecracker Sponsors: Nick's Auto and Mountaineer Casino, Racetrack & Resort. We could not have the success we do without you!

The 2023 Illuminate Weirton order form is included as an insert. Be sure to order your luminaries early and help us light the streets of Weirton on Saturday, December 23, 2023. This event has grown every year



and we are happy to be able to celebrate the holiday season in this unique way with our members and our community.





United Way of the Upper Ohio Valley

Upcoming Chamber Events

- October 28: <u>Pet Supplies Plus Grand Opening</u>
- November 2: Primanti Bros. Grand Opening
- November 2: Leadership Ohio Valley Kick-Off & Dinner
- November 3: Leadership Ohio Valley SIMSOC
- November 16: <u>Toys for Tots BAH</u>



<u>Illuminate Weirton Order Form</u>









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At the John D. Rockefeller Career Center, our students gain authentic work experiences in classrooms that have been re-designed as a Simulated Workplace, and our school's company is named "Mountain State Industries". Our students learn occupations such as Welding, Carpentry, Auto Technology, Baking and Pastry, Culinary, Auto Collision, Health Occupations and Graphic Design. Also, we have two adult CTE programs (CDL Truck Driving and Practical Nursing), as well as a WV Adult Education Program. Furthermore, our students work in partnership with local companies and community organizations through project-based learning, work-based learning, program advisory boards, and business/industry reviews.

Cultivating meaningful partnerships with community/industry organizations establishes the real-world foundation for student achievement at the John D. Rockefeller Career Center (JDRCC). The value of CTE programs is increasingly recognized both by students who pursue in-demand careers and by employers who hire work-ready employees for today's workforce. During the last schoolyear, JDRCC partners supported students on the state/national SkillsUSA competitions, a JDRCC Reverse Job Fair, and extensive work-based learning experiences such as job shadowing, guest speakers, clinicals, job placements, and internships.

We invite you to become a partner in education with our school, and we ask that local business/industry representatives support the continued student success of our students. By helping us promote our students' achievements, our students will feel encouraged to excel in their programs, and motivated to continue striving towards their goals. Please contact us if you have questions about our school, or if you have additional ideas for collaboration. Thank you in advance for your support!