

CABELL COUNTY YOUTH EMPOWERMENT PROGRAM

From Tim White and Kelly Plantz

CCYEP is a work readiness program that targets youth who are school drop-outs, teen parents, unemployed and/or homeless.

CCYEP offers GED and job readiness skills training as well as, resume writing, and college and job placement. CCYEP students also can enroll in the Huntington School of Fine Woodwork where they learn construction and woodworking trades.

Hilltop Festival

Students enrolled in the Huntington School of Fine Woodwork were invited to once again participate in the Huntington Museum of Art's Hilltop Festival, Sept. 10-11.

Students displayed and sold their woodcrafts during this two day event. Money made from the sale of these items went right back into the program for additional materials and tools.

CCYEP does more than just help students succeed in school or on the job. CCYEP staff gives students the tools they need to succeed in life.



For instance, Justin Estep is recognized for obtaining his drivers license. Justin has participated in CCYEP since March 2005.

He is also enrolled in the Huntington School of Fine Woodwork.

Certificates of Recognition were presented to Matt Dalton for his outstanding attitude for the month of August and Michael Halstead for his noteworthy attendance for the month of August. Both Matt and Michael have been enrolled in the Cabell

County Youth Empowerment Program since August 1, 2005.



Training Program Expands to Include Adults

The Governor's Workforce Investment Division awarded CCYEP a \$98,000 grant to expand the Huntington School of Fine Woodwork to include adults.

Adults over the age of 24 who wish to enroll in the job training program will be paid a stipend of \$425 a month for the six months training class.

The adult class takes place Monday - Friday from 8 AM to 12 noon. The woodshop classroom is located on the corner of 5th Ave. and 9th St. in the basement of the 5th Ave. Apartments.

Space is limited to 7 students. For more information contact the CCYEP offices at 522-0576 or stop by the woodshop classroom and see the instructor, Greg Meadows.

