Colo-NESCO Career Fair

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I wanted to drop you a quick note about the career fair held at Colo-NESCO last night.

As a Colo-NESCO parent, I keep myself aware of growth opportunities the school offers the students. I feel last night's career fair was a shining moment for school staff, students, and parents as it lived up to Colo-NESCO's Mission Statement. I wanted to share my appreciation with you for organizing such an event.

As an employer with a booth at this event, I was very impressed with the students and parents that stopped to visit with me and my coworker. They were genuinely interested and so very friendly. The only thing I am disappointed with is myself as I did not bring a camera with me. I got caught up in my own marketing materials for USDA that I did not pause to think of taking pictures for my own memories. Pictures from last night would be a great addition to your website, newsletter, and public communications.

USDA -Veterinary Services participates in many fairs such as this one and feel you did a remarkable job organizing this event. I encourage you to make this a tradition at Colo-NESCO as the learning opportunities and networking available to the students last night was invaluable. The combination of exceptional staff that were present, parents/students wanting to be informed, and community members working booths and sharing information with the students made this event exceptional.

Although my daughter, Mackenna, is only an 8th grader, her curiosity got the best of her and she attended the fair. I think the promise of extra credit had something to do with it too....genius move on your part! On the drive home, we had the most amazing conversations about what she learned. It brought a tear to my eye listening to her get excited about she learned and explaining who she had a chance to visit with. That is an experience I never had growing up until much later in my high school career. The wheels are turning and that is what it is all about!

My Royal Pride is flying high today and you contributed to that. Thank you and keep up the outstanding work!

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