

## Fourth Annual Career Night a Success

The Goose Creek CISD Career and Technical Education (CTE) Department hosted the 4th Annual Career Night Tuesday, January 27, in the Robert E. Lee High School Commons. A record number of 323 students and 303 parents attended, and transportation was provided from Ross S. Sterling and Goose Creek Memorial high schools.

Career Night featured sixteen Career Clusters, represented by 39 companies, post-secondary institutions, military branches and Goose Creek CISD departments. CTE, counseling, and College and Career Readiness staff provided workshops and informational sessions on GCCISD Career Academies, IMPACT Early College High School, AVID, Dual Credit, Financial Aid, Scholarships, FAFSA and ApplyTexas. The event also was beneficial for 8th grade students, who will design new graduation plans in accordance with House Bill 5 requirements.

"The focus was on how our GCCISD career pathways relate to the new graduation requirements," said Tameka Mills, Goose Creek CISD's coordinator of Career & Technical Education.

Career Night also provided information to help parents and students understand the importance of earning a high school diploma and continuing formal training after high school graduation. The representatives helped students understand the educational requirements for jobs in this area, so that they plan their high school schedules accordingly. Door prizes were also donated for students from business and industry representatives.



(from left) Rex Miller, meat processing and ATV/small engine repair teacher at Stuart Career Center, and Cary Duhon, construction teacher at Goose Creek Memorial High School, discuss their Career and Technical Education programs with Gustavo Salinas (third from left), his son Gustavo Salinas, 8th grader at Highlands Junior School and Goose Creek CISD Board member Ken Martin (at right) at the recent 4th Annual Career Night at Robert E. Lee High School for all GCCISD students.

"I want to extend my gratitude to all the Goose Creek staff members who volunteered and to all the businesses that came out to help make this a successful event," said Mills. "A special thanks goes to the Lee High School administrators for helping with the organization of Career Night."

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