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**Y.A.L.E. School
Resource Expo**

MARCH 20, 2025

**Performing Arts Center
750 W. Route 70, Cherry Hill**

Preview Guide



Table #	Table Name	Host	Description
1	Cherry Hill Campus/ Medford Campus	Fred Gruber Rebecca Sragow	Stop by for general information about Cherry Hill campus programs and Medford school-within-a school programs. Also receive suggestions on tables to visit during the evening as well as tour information to nearby locations. <i>Did you know Y.A.L.E. Cherry Hill has animal-assisted activities? Hear about Famous Seamus!</i>
2	Ellisburg Campus	Kathy Hogan Reilly Staub Matt Heinkel	Along with general information about opportunities for students at Ellisburg, learn more about School Wide Positive Behavior Support and how this approach contributes to a safe, secure and rewarding school environment at Y.A.L.E. campuses. <i>Wondering how BCBA's contribute to academic and behavior success? Learn more here!</i>
3	Southeast at Marlton	Ann Davidson Becky Forrestel	Learning triumphs are made possible every day through the principles and practices of Applied Behavior Analysis, implemented consistently by an expert staff. See how building skills and independence at every age contribute to ongoing transition preparation, particularly through community-based instruction opportunities at Green Vision and the Life Skills House during the high school years and the 18-21 program. <i>Are you familiar with age-appropriate transition assessments? Ask about that important aspect of future planning!</i>
4	Child Study Team	Karen Huber Alexis Halter Channa Pennington Carolyn Levin	Y.A.L.E. School supports students, parents, guardians, and caregivers throughout a child's school experience. CST is not only the hub of related services such as counseling, speech and language, occupational therapy and more, but a variety of other program components, such as social skill development classes and interest-based clubs. <i>Did you know that the Y.A.L.E. CST hosts virtual Parent Information Groups throughout the year? Stop by to suggest topics or see what's scheduled in the months ahead. Find out all the details from CST!</i>
5	I-Skills	Meghan Hoopes Leah Gargano	Learn about an innovative approach that emphasizes functional social and life skills development for selected students at our Cherry Hill campus with integrated speech and occupational therapies. See how the I-Skills team promotes skill generalization!
6	Curriculum and Instruction	Kim Widenor	Explore how your child's learning experiences, such as services from the Reading Support team, differentiated math strategies, and other individualized approaches, all use evidence-based materials, data driven decisions, and high levels of engagement as the foundation for progress. <i>Be sure to ask about the Next Gen Science curriculum with hands-on labs for elementary and middle school students! While you're at the Expo, also stop Table 7 and see how virtual reality adds to high school Biology instruction at the Y.A.L.E. School Cherry Hill campus.</i>

7	PE/Health Special Olympics Mobility Training	Deb Snyder	An active lifestyle begins with high interest activities. Y.A.L.E. Physical Education and Health modules enable students to sample from a menu of options that led one Y.A.L.E. student to become a medalist in two events at the 2019 Special Olympics World Games in Abu Dhabi – swimming and the Triathlon. Y.A.L.E. also emphasizes mobility training, including bike riding, safe walking skills, and if appropriate, learning to Drive. <i>Did you know that Y.A.L.E. School has an extensive inventory of balance bikes, trikes, bicycles and even a state-of-the-art Driving Simulator? Stop by Table 18 to see the Sim!</i>
8	Community Based Instruction (CBI)	Kitty Slater	Parents are invited to see the range of community-based instruction opportunities that students enjoy throughout the year. <i>Find out how CBI experiences connect classroom learning to real-life applications, develop mobility skills as well as promote job and career awareness at all grade levels.</i>
9	Art & Tri-State Ability Art Show “Making Magic”	Karen Donnelly	Along with encouraging creative expression through art instruction and as a potential career path, Y.A.L.E. School sponsors the Tri-State Ability Art Show each April, bringing our students together with young artists from nearby states to display their imagination and talents. <i>This year’s opening reception and awards ceremony is Friday, April 11th at the Y.A.L.E. Performing Arts Center. The gallery is also open on Saturday, April 12th. We’ve added a Craft Show on Saturday, too, along with a magic show that day at 11 am. It’s all happening at the Y.A.L.E. Ellisburg campus! Register online!</i>
10	21st Century Life and Careers Transition Planning	Chris Heverly	Students receive exploration and financial literacy instruction throughout their years at Y.A.L.E. See the comprehensive and systematic approach to future planning that integrates instruction, exposure, and experiences to cultivate self-awareness and student participation in goal-setting for the future. <i>See how parents can maintain their own transition binder to help navigate the transition years and support their child’s journey.</i>
11	Senior Guidance	Justine Nazarethian	Completing high school is a milestone and a reason to celebrate! Y.A.L.E. School seniors have expert guidance to reach graduation having considered choices, options, and future goals to take the next step forward with confidence. <i>Have you heard about our High Scholars Program for students with college aspirations and Accuplacer eligibility?</i>
12	School Nurse	Joanne Mintzas	Supporting health and wellness is always a priority of our professional school nurses. <i>Did you know that we have a School Nurse Newsletter each season with information and tips for parents and families? Stop by and meet the author!</i>
13	Erlton/CLiKS (Ages 18-21)	Jovanna Beardsworth Casey Dawson	With choices and options available for continued transition special education, students benefitting from a learning experience centered on functional skills,

			community-based instruction, and job readiness gravitate to Erlton/CLiKS, an 18-21 transition option. <i>Touring the Voc Annex tonight? That's also the home base of the CLiKS program!</i>
14	S9/CCC (Ages 18-21)	Andrea Damiani	C'mon, get happy! Celebrate International Day of Happiness with a smile-inducing "Happy <u>PACK</u> " from the students in Standard 9, who study and apply the Science and Skills of Happiness in collaboration with Proof Positive Autism Well-being Alliance. The big takeaway inside is how you can connect with Proof Positive and access the tools you need to be healthier and happier as an individual and as a family. So consider this a "jolt of joy" from S9 to you! What is S9? The Standard 9 Transition Program! Becoming college ready, having the competitive edge to get a job, or the skills for independent living, takes systematic preparation in natural environments. Learn about the program's home base at Washington Hall at Camden County College and the community-based components that set Standard 9 apart as a premier opportunity for transition preparation, including college courses at CCC, work-based learning at local businesses, and the entrepreneurial experience students gain at the state-of-art Y.A.L.E. Co-op that <i>positively</i> encourages creativity and innovation!
15	Project SEARCH at Jefferson Health and Novo Nordisk Project SEARCH (Ages 18-21)	Gary Hill	Y.A.L.E.'s award-winning transition program at Jefferson Cherry Hill Hospital as well as our new Novo Nordisk Project SEARCH exemplifies the effectiveness of immersive work experience for those students ready for a final year challenge. Parents/guardians will learn about these off-site programs, the 3-rotation design, and the incredible outcomes Project SEARCH grads have achieved since Y.A.L.E. initiated the program in 2016. <i>Stop by to see how many departments at Jefferson Health and Novo Nordisk are now training Y.A.L.E. Project SEARCH interns!</i>
16	Media Arts Visual Arts	Jason Eckert Gabi Eckert	Being media savvy and skilled in using the latest technology gives Y.A.L.E. students a competitive edge, along with engaging learning opportunities. A state-of-the-art TV station that is student-run and managed by a media expert combined with a fully-equipped visual arts studio staffed by a skilled graphic arts instructor, enables students to develop the computer skills employers' value in an ever-expanding number of job sectors. <i>Ask about the professional software applications students are using and mastering</i>
17	Work-Based Learning and School To Work Program	Noah McKay	Helping students become job ready requires self-awareness, exploration, exposure and experiences in actual work settings. Y.A.L.E. School offers a systematic progression from one work-ready stage to the next, beginning with internal school jobs and leading to internships with business partners. S9 students also learn to manage a student-run business. <i>Check out the variety of skills and products our Y.A.L.E. Co-op entrepreneurs</i>

			<i>are producing and marketing to an ever-growing customer base!</i>
18	Driving Simulator Room - located back right corner of Expo near exit	Noah McKay	Through a research partnership with Clemson University, Y.A.L.E. began offering students the opportunity to use a stationary, but highly interactive Ford Focus, to systematically learn the skills drivers use when operating a vehicle. It helps measure and report a student's ability when completing each type of driving exercise. <i>Have a look at the features and function of this state-of-the-art Driving Simulator or better still, go for a spin!</i>

Tour Locations
Transportation on the Bulldog Shuttle provided!

Life Skills House	Shelley Rosenberg Michelle Schultz	Responsibilities for home organization, food safety, cooking, cleaning, laundry, and general maintenance are all important skills for independent living that Y.A.L.E. considers essential for transitioning from school to adulthood. Problem solving, following directions, completing tasks, managing time well, and asking for help when needed are all important pre-employment skills with future benefits that can be cultivated through common household chores. Along with taking pride in this shared environment, students learn to communicate with one another outside of a classroom setting, enjoying an informal meal they've prepared or a job well-done with their peers. The Life Skills House offers the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Family-style Kitchen with all appliances for basic meal prep and clean-up • Dining Room for serving, etiquette, and clearing • Living Room for cleaning, decorating, and relaxation • Bedroom for bed-making and closet organization • Laundry Room fully equipped for washing, drying, and folding • Game Room for socializing • Grounds for gardening, planting, weeding, and mowing • And more! • <i>Getting ready for independent living takes practice, practice, practice!</i>
Vocational Skills Lab and Co-op	Mark DiBraccio Gabby Termine Tyler Giesa Kat Piehler	Getting students ready for the work world is the exciting mission of the Y.A.L.E. Vocational Skills Lab and Co-op. Professional equipment for product customization, design, and order processing enables students to gain pre-vocational training in areas such as graphic design, sales and marketing, Quickbooks, embroidery, laser printing, Direct-to-Garment (DTG) printing, 3D printing and GreenVision® Electronic Recycling. <i>See how the creative process translates into products during a demo!</i>

<p>Vocational Annex ----- Serve Safe Culinary Training Industrial Arts Center</p>	<p>George Uron Brian Reed</p>	<p>At the Industrial Arts Center. students sample trade skills in a state-of-the-art woodshop and maker-space environment. In the professional kitchen, students participate in ServSafe® Certificate Training to add their resume. <i>It's about hands-on experiences at the Annex – which is also home to the Erlton CLiKS program.</i></p>
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