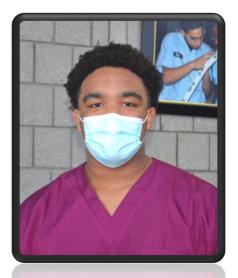


The Student Connection



With: Xavier Branch

From: Twinsburg District



Xavier Branch, a senior at Twinsburg High School, is enrolled in CVCC's Dental Assisting program, instructed by Ms. Theodore. Xavier has always had a goal of becoming a dentist, and saw CVCC's Dental Assisting program as an opportunity to gain experience and knowledge in the field. His favorite elements of the program are lab work components like drilling, root canals, and impressions. He also enjoys learning the anatomy behind what he does in the classroom. Challenging aspects of the program for Xavier include x-rays, knowing all the varying instruments that are used, as well as terminology components. Regardless of the challenging content within the program, Xavier is thriving!

Xavier is specifically grateful that CVCC provides a place where he feels supported to pursue a career he is passionate about. Last year, Xavier had the opportunity to utilize his skills and participate in the Health Occupations Students of America (HOSA) competition. He competed at the Regional level and placed 2nd, and was able to compete at the State level where he placed 10th. Outside of the classroom, Xavier works part-time at a local coffee shop and plays football for Twinsburg High School, where he is the captain of the team. In his free time, Xavier enjoys spending time with his friends. Looking forward, Xavier plans to attend college at either The Ohio State University or The University of Cincinnati to continue studying dentistry. Overall, his goal is to become a dentist and be able to work with and help others daily. What amazing goals Xavier, keep up the great work!