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# Getting Students Involved: What You Need to Know to Create a Successful CCP Student Organization

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# How it Started

- **Summer 2015**

- Student Meeting
  - First-time CCP student suggested the CCP Student Organization
    - Felt disconnected with other CCP students and to the University
  - Asked the student to lead and proceed with ideas
    - Gain leadership skills, communication skills, and responsibility

- **About Student**

- Started CCP Summer 2015
  - Junior high school student at the time
  - Involved with Science Internship
  - Completed two Summer courses

# People Involved

- **Student Leader**
- **Kent State Dual Enrollment Programs (2015)**
  - College Credit Plus Office
  - Intern
- **Kent State Kent Campus CCP Students**

# Communication

- **Orientation**
  - Discussed during presentation and at student icebreakers
- **Surveys**
  - Surveys sent to Kent Campus CCP students' University emails would gather which students are actually interested in participating in the organization
- **Emails**
  - Student leader would send emails to CCPSO advisor to review
    - Advisor would then review/edit and send to all admitted Kent Campus CCP University emails

# First Event

- **Back-to-School Blastoff**

- **Email**

- **Subject:** 3...2...1...BLASTOFF!!!

- Are you ready College Credit Plus students??! Come join the CCP Organization and KSU students Sunday, August 30<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 pm-8:30 pm at the back-to-school Blastoff event on the Student Green for a fun-filled evening. Featured at this event will be hot air balloons and live music. Concluding the night, a laser light show at approximately 9 pm! This will be a great way to meet new friends involved in the CCP program, get to know Kent State, and kick off the start of a wonderful school year! If you are planning to attend contact “*Student Leader*”, at [StudentLeader@kent.edu](mailto:StudentLeader@kent.edu). Students planning to attend should meet outside on the front stairs of the CUE (Center for Undergraduate Excellence) at 6 pm. I hope to see all of you there this Sunday to kick off the start to a great school year!

# First Event

- **Challenges**
  - Parents attended and/or felt they needed to be supervised
  - Low attendance

# Changes

- **Communication**
  - More reminder emails were sent to students in a timely manner
- **Meetings**
  - Bi-weekly or semi-monthly meetings were held with students
    - Upcoming Events
    - Ideas for events or gatherings
- **Become an official organization on campus!**



# Official Organization Process Fall 2016

- **Center for Student Involvement (CSI)**
  - Fosters student engagement through various involvement opportunities. In addition to providing fun and diverse programming, we are dedicated to leadership development through student organizations, Fraternity and Sorority Life and Undergraduate Student Government. The experiences offered through the Center for Student Involvement will broaden your academic experience and assist you later in life.
    - 400+ organizations and 1,000+ programs, activities, and on-campus events

# Official Organization Process

- University Registration Process
- Legal questions regarding minors
- Gaining wide interest
- Attendance at events & meetings

# Official Organization Process

- **Leadership Board Member Requirements**
  - 5 officers
  - Student must be **currently** enrolled in at least **eight (8)** Kent State undergraduate credit hours
  - Student must maintain a cumulative grade point average of **2.25**
  - Student must have passed at least **six (6)** or more Kent State credit hours **in prior semester**
  - Student cannot be on semester warning or academic probation
  - Advisor: part-time or full-time employee

# Established Organization

## • Leadership Board Members Roles

- **President:** All actions having to do with the organization's day-to-day operations are partitioned out and directed by the organization president. All decisions having to do with the organization must be approved by the president, or a 3/5ths board majority.
- **Vice President:** The vice president should take over the role of president in both a temporary and permanent absence, and is the second most authority on any issues pertaining the organization.
- **Events Chair:** The Event Chair is concerned with ensuring spaces are booked for any meetings, and planning any food or other items that may be provided or utilized during the course of an event or meeting, in addition to governing board duties.
- **Marketing and Communications Chair:** The Marketing and Communications Chair is responsible for spreading the word about the CCP Student Organization, and is in charge of all marketing materials, graphic designs, etc., in addition to governing board duties.
- **Secretary:** The secretary is responsible for documenting all in-person meetings and events.

# Established Organization

- **Other Requirements**
  - Constitution
  - Advisor: part-time or full-time employee
  - Board Member Request Form

# What it Takes

- Time
- Responsibility
- Leadership
- Commitment
- Student Interest

# Benefits

- **Bond with other CCP students and organizations**
- **Build connections and networks across campus**
- **Leadership opportunities**
- **Team work**
- **Time management skills**
- **Social skills**
- **Volunteer hours**

# Events Held

- **Late Night Reels (Movies)**
- **Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner**
- **Holiday Parties**
- **Bowling**
- **Community Engaged Learning Office**
  - National Make a Difference Day
  - Super Service Saturday
- **Back-to School Blastoff**
- **Financial Aid Session**
- **Sporting Games**



# Social Media

- Facebook
- Twitter
- Flyers



# Current Year

- Ideas for events
- Discord Server?
- Adding former CCP student to board
- Getting assistance from Kent State Undergraduate Student Government (USG)
  - direct line of communication to university administration, funneling problems and issues in university life that directly affect our undergraduate student population. USG's main goal is to be the voice of the students and always put students first.
- Holiday Parties

# Future Goals

- **Collaborate with other CCP students at other campuses**
- **Increase membership and involvement**
- **Funding and Fundraisers**
- **Social Media and Flyer Upgrade**
- **Seamless timeline of establishment for academic year**
- **Increased community involvement**
- **Former CCP student role on leadership board**

# Questions and Ideas

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**Thank You.**

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