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Ohio Tech Ambassador Network Announces Statewide Kickoff Event

Network Advocates Adaptive Technology Use to
Foster Independence for Ohioans with Developmental Disabilities

CHILLICOTHE, OHIO — The Ohio Tech Ambassador Network recently announced the selection of three new Technology Ambassadors to share how adaptive and supportive technology helps them to live more independent lives. The 2022 Tech Ambassador Kickoff Event will be held Wednesday, February 23 at 2:00 p.m. via Zoom. Anyone can register to attend the kickoff event here:

ohiotechambassadors.org/events/2022-kick-off.

“We’ve selected three outstanding new candidates who are great communicators, passionate about technology and ready to talk about their experiences. Our Tech Ambassadors bring a lot of energy and ideas to the network, and they are excited to share how they use technology at home, at school, at work and in the community,” says George W. Myers, IT Director for Ross County Board of Developmental Disabilities and Grant Director for the Tech Ambassador Network project.

The kickoff session will share important information concerning the Tech Ambassador program, including a short introduction of the original Tech Ambassadors followed by introductions and stories of the new Tech Ambassadors, a panel discussion, and schedule of coming events. Details are available at ohiotechambassadors.org.

Introducing the 2022 Ohio Technology Ambassadors

The three Tech Ambassadors were selected based on their experience and enthusiasm advocating for technology use. Jen Schlegel is a Biomedical Engineer and entrepreneur with patents pending. Brad Whitmoyer has spent his life inventing ways to make life easier and is the founder of a company that provides multiple computer-related services. Renee Wood is an accomplished and veteran leader whose passion for technology comes from her own experience in becoming more independent.

About the Ohio Tech Ambassador Network.

Today, 26.9% of Ohioans live with a disability. Ohio has long been a leader in promoting technology for its citizens with disabilities. Funded by a statewide grant provided by the Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities and administered by The Southern Ohio Council of Governments, the Ohio Tech Ambassador Network program will host almost twenty events through June 2023, some virtual and some in-person, to help others learn how adaptive technology use enhances lives and independence for people with developmental disabilities. To learn more about the Ohio Tech Ambassador Network or to learn about upcoming events, visit ohiotechambassadors.org.

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