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Valley College provides students with a variety of activities throughout the year. Field trips to local employers provide students with an opportunity to learn more about career opportunities. Guest speakers may be invited to the campus to speak to the student body about a variety of topics that may include career opportunities and self-development. Other events include such things as contests, college sponsored potlucks, holiday parties, food drives, community service activities, career fairs, fund raising for neighborhood agencies.

Student Government Associations (SGA): Valley College- Beckley, Valley College– Martinsburg and the Valley College- Martinsburg Online Divisions all have SGA groups. The Student Government provides students with an opportunity to be part of a group that focuses on community service. The students gain experience in planning activities that give back to the community through volunteer efforts. Students who are elected as officers can also develop leadership skills. Students may learn more about the SGA activities by following the campus' Facebook page, attending open SGA meetings, and reading fliers/bulletin boards posting in campus/online student bulletin boards.

In 2021-2022, each campus/division focused on different community service activities such as:

- Beckley: Operation Backpack, canned food and coat drive for Carpenters Corner, the Raleigh Center Trunk or Treat. In addition, the Christmas photo sessions at the campus that is open to the community and donations are collected for the Raleigh County Humane Society.
- Martinsburg: Feeding the homeless at the mission, working with community organizations such as the Red Cross (blood drives), United Way, Relay for Life, March of Dimes, and Kidz Power Pack.
- Online Division: Coat, Hat, Glove Drives in the winter for local shelters, Canned Food Drives, Chemo Goodie bag drive for local Chemo centers, The SGA also tries to help foster the 'spirit of community' online by having virtual spirit weeks, egg hunts, and holiday postings.

Veterinary Technician students are eligible to join the NAVTA Student Chapter (SCNAVTA) at Valley College - Cleveland. Student members can experience the responsibilities that go along with being a member of a profession along with a professional organization. These responsibilities may include planning activities that promote veterinary technology, giving back to the community through volunteer efforts, or holding an elected office. Involvement in these activities while in school fosters the development of leaders within the profession. Our local chapter at the Cleveland campus has planned and held dog washes for the community, painted the SPCA building, and attended community picnics.