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Dr. Andrew Cox serves as Executive Director of Access and Community Engagement at Cuyahoga Community College, where he facilitates partnerships and programs between the College, students and the community in support of student access and success. He holds a doctorate in Higher Education from the University of Toledo, a Master's degree in Public Administration from the Cleveland State University Levin College of Urban Affairs, and a B.A. from Baldwin-Wallace University.

Prior to joining Cuyahoga Community College in 2008, Andrew held positions with the City of Cleveland, Cuyahoga County and the Cleveland Clinic Foundation. He is a loyal Cleveland Sports fan, enjoys the outdoors, and believes that Northeast Ohio is a great place to live, work and play.

**Speech Topic:**

**Self-Advocacy at any age: You are your biggest champion!**

What is self-advocacy and why is it important? In this presentation learn the fundamentals of self-advocacy and how to be your own biggest champion - in school, in the workplace, and in your personal life. This presentation is relevant for any age or stage of life. We will learn to identify goals, assess our strengths and areas for growth, build support networks, create action plans, practice self-advocacy, adjust as needed and celebrate!