

Student group to host gaming party benefiting tech students

BAYTOWN, TX — A new student organization at Lee College invites the community to a computer and console gaming party this week to raise money for students taking certification exams in technical programs.

The Dot Matrix club's Local Area Network (LAN) Party will begin at 4 p.m., Thursday, May 12, in Rooms 116, 117 and 119 on the first floor of the TV-1 building on campus. Dozens of computers in each classroom will be networked together for the event, giving participants the opportunity to play against each other in games like Halo CE, OpenArena, League of Legends, Street Fighter II and Dungeons and Dragons before the party ends at 11 p.m. There will also be a Wii U Super Smash Bros. tournament for a \$2 entry fee, and one lucky gamer will win a Raspberry Pi II B Starter Kit that can be used to build a mini-computer from scratch.

Dot Matrix was founded in part to help technical students pay for certification tests in their chosen fields, which can cost hundreds of dollars. The organization has raised funds this semester by selling food and running a gaming booth at campus-wide events, and helped promote the technical programs at Lee College by hosting a Super Smash Bros. tournament in April at the annual Tech Night in the sports arena.