These 4 HOSA students will be competing at the HOSA National Convention being held in Nashville, TN on June 22-25

Emily Renninger - Dental Science: GOLD
Dan Horning & Noah Phifer - EMT: SILVER
Molly Shumack-Engle - Job Keeping Skills: BRONZE

HOSA Fundraiser

to help defer costs

Being held on May 23rd
Location to be announced

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HOSA Fundraiser

Kauffman’s Chicken
1/2 Chicken
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This past January and February, SkillsUSA students competed at the District level which was hosted by Eastern Center for Arts and Technology in Willow Grove.

**District 2 is comprised of these schools:**
Secondary Schools: (8 schools total)
- Bucks County Technical High School (BCTHS)
- Central Montco Technical High School (CMTHS)
- Eastern Center for Arts and Technology (ECAT)
- Delaware County Technical High School (DCTS - Aston and Folcroft campuses)
- Middle Bucks Institute of Technology (MBIT)
- North Montco Technical Center (NMTC)
- Western Montgomery Career and Technology Center (WMCTC)

Post Secondary (2 schools total)
- Automotive Training Center (ATC)

**District WMCTC winners are:**
- Cabinetmaking - **Ben Dhawan** - SF - Bye to States
- Collision Repair - **Zach Leber** - UP - 3rd place
- Early Childhood - **Rebecca Holley** - SF - 1st place
- Esthetics - **Nina Sabastro** - UP 2nd place
  - **Allie Kozub** - PG (model)
- Carpentry - **Eric Mettler** - SF - 2nd place
- Crime Scene Investigation (team of 3) - 1st place
  - **Steven Smith** - SF
  - **Amanda Smoyer** - PG
  - **Baillie McGrory** - SF
- Diesel Technology - **Tylor Campli** - PG - 3rd place
- Job Skill Demo Open - **Rachel Michaels** - 2nd place

Ben Dhawan, Steven Smith, Amanda Smoyer, Baillie McGrory, and Rebecca Holley will be representing **WMCTC at the State Competition in Hershey, PA on April 13 - 15, 2016.**

We wish them the best of luck!!!
Go Wildcats!

**There will also be a Spaghetti Dinner at WMCTC on Thursday, April 21, 2016 to support SkillsUSA which will be in the dining room from 5PM to 8PM**
January 27th
Boy in green/yellow sweatshirt is
Tylor Campli from PG (Jr) in Diesel
Then Genevieve Davis on the right from UP (Sr) competed
in Culinary Arts and the girl on the left is Olivia Robinson from PG (Sr)
competed in Commercial Baking both from Culinary Arts

February 2nd
Top row left to right
Jamie Banks, (Sr. at SF) in Early Childhood Education, competed in
Related Technical Math
Rebecca Holley (Sr. at SF ) in Early Childhood Education, competed in
Early Childhood
Nichole Kanach (Sr. at PG) in Protective Services competed in First Aid/CPR
Emily Kelly (Sr. at PG) in Culinary Arts, competed in Restaurant Service
Allie Kozub (Sr. at PG ) in Cosmetology, model with Esthetics
Nina Sabastro (Sr. at UP) in Cosmetology competed in Esthetics
Rachael Kelly (Sr. at SF) in Cosmetology, competed in Cosmetology

Bottom row left to right
Gage Shupard (Sr at PG) in Commercial Art competed in Advertising Design
Trevor Tarantino (Sr. at UP in Metal Technology competed in Welding
Zach Leber (Jr. at UP) in Collision Repair competed in Collision Repair
Technology

February 3rd
Top row left to right
Josh Engdahl (Jr. at UP) in Collision competed in Automotive Refinishing
Eric Mettler (Sr. at SF) in Carpentry competed in Carpentry
Colleen Lyons (Jr at UP in Environmental Design competed in Action Skills
Tom Tryon (Sr at PJP) in Electrical Occupations competed in Electrical
Construction Wiring
Rachel Michaels (Jr at SF) in Cosmetology competed in Job Skill Demo Open
Antoinette Szczepanski (Jr at SF) in Cosmetology model in Nail Care
Justin Solorio (Sr at SF) in Protective Services competed in Criminal Justice
Darbie Miller (Jr at UP) in Cosmetology competed in Customer Service
Amanda Smoyer (Sr. at PG) in Protective Services compete in team of 3 in
Crime Scene Investigation
Stephen Smith (Sr at SF) in Protective Services competed in a team of 3 in
Crime Scene Investigation

Bottom row left to right
John DeMichael (Soph at UP) in Automotive Technology competed in Job
Skill Demo A
Jenny Nguyen (Sr at UP) in Cosmetology competed in Nail Care
Baillie McGrory (Jr at SF) in Protective Services competed in team of 3 in
Crime Scene Investigation
This quarter in Commercial Art, students learned about logo design, menu and website design, studied the Principles of Design and drew a design based on Rhythm and Movement, movie poster design, and one of the most intense projects of the year - The Vans Custom Culture Contest.

Level II and III students had the challenge of designing and creating artwork on 4 pairs of blank sneakers. Vans holds a contest every year for art classes all over the United States. Once the school is registered, Vans sends the class 4 pairs of sneakers where students must create designs based on 4 themes. The themes are: Art, Music, Local Flavor, and Action Sports. The class needs to work together to figure out what to create for each theme. The shoes don't need to be wearable, so the sky is the limit. There is intense preparation, brainstorming, sketching, ordering supplies, attention to detail, drawing, painting, sculpting, and then taking photos. Once the photos are taken, they are submitted on the Vans website, and they narrow down the contestants to the top 50 schools, then top 10, and then there is a final event in California where they announce the top winner that will receive $50k towards the schools art program.

The students that focused on physically designing the Vans were: Gage Shupard (PG), Richard Ledig (SF), Brianna Updegrove (SF), Julia Deska (PG), Tyler Pace (PG), Mason Parente (PG), and Evealece Rosado (UP). All of the students are eagerly waiting for the top 50 results which will be announced on April 27, 2016.
Culinary Arts is hosting a Mexican Buffet on May 2nd for Cinco de Mayo. Please call 610-489-7272 ext. 106 for reservations.

Mr. Kaufmann

Olivia Robinson from Pottsgrove has made it to the finals of the CCAP culinary competition in Philadelphia. She was one of 10 finalists out of 50 students and if she is lucky enough to win it all her entire college could be paid for. Results are April 20th.

Attention All Seniors & Parents!

The WMCTC 2016 Senior Recognition Ceremony

WHEN: Wednesday May 25, 2016 @ 7:00PM
WHERE: Pottsgrove Middle School Auditorium
1351 North Hanover Street, Pottstown

Students are expected to follow their high school’s schedule in regards to attendance at WMCTC up until June 14, 2016 or the formal graduation date from their sending school.

*Information was mailed regarding dress code, directions, and special seating requests.

Please call WMCTC at 610-489-7272 if you have any questions.

WMCTC eTeam Collaborates with ESASD eTeam on Community Technology Outreach

On Monday, March 9th, seven eTeam members, Mr. Renna, & Mr. Vecchio took a field trip to East Stroudsburg Area School District, Mr. Renna’s former district and home of the original eTeam. There, our eTeam members helped provide one-on-one assistance with over 50 members of the community, as well as attended group training sessions on topics like digital photography, iPad apps, & more. ESASD’s eTeam, now in it’s 7th year, also provides a vision for our students on what our eTeam can grow into over time. ESASD eTeam advisors and community members shared wonderful feedback on our students throughout the day.

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PLTW Biomedical Science

Mrs. Lawler

The Biomedical Science students continue their clinical rotations at the Phoenixville Hospital shadowing in the Emergency Room, Short Procedure Unit, Medical/Surgical Floor, Telemetry Floor, Intensive Care Unit, Acute Rehabilitation Unit, Orthopedic Floor, Diagnostic/Imaging Unit, Neonatal Intensive Care Unit, and the Cancer Center. They are having a positive and exciting experience relating classroom knowledge to a real world setting as they continue to master various skills and procedures that will be utilized in the health care field. In the classroom, they are exploring electrical communication from the basic flow of ions in the membrane to the communication of nerve cells via chemical signals, neurotransmitters. Disorders of the nervous system related to a communication breakdown are also being investigated. The students continue to add the various body systems to their personal PLTW manikin and will have the opportunity to display them at the end of the semester!

Health Science Technology

Mrs. King

Level I
The Level I Health Science Technology students continue learning the human body systems and the skills/procedures related to the particular system. They have been mastering the art of communication with each other through various activities which has enhanced their ability to communicate during their clinical rotations in the Adult Day Care Unit at Parkhouse! The students are also diligently working on their health care career chapter to present to the class. They are excited to share their research and knowledge about the specific career of interest!

Level III
The Level III Health Science Technology students successfully completed a rigorous Medical Assisting curriculum and are currently enthralled in learning and mastering Medical Terminology. The foundation chapters are complete and they will continue to study medical terminology related to each of the body systems! The students are meticulously working on perfecting their health care procedures/skills as it pertains to the area of study and clinical application. The Level III students are having a positive experience and are enjoying their clinical rotations at Parkhouse.

The Health Science Technology and Biomedical Science students had a successful HOSA State Leadership Conference experience in March! Our HOSA club had a record number of students who competed and we are proud to have won a Gold medal, Emily Renninger - Dental Science; Silver medal, Dan Horning & Noah Phifer – EMT; and Bronze medal, Molly Shumack-Engle - Job Seeking Skills. (See Page 1)
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The Graphic Design class has been in full production mode for much of the 3rd quarter. Besides the usual classroom activities, we took on three musical programs and a summer camp brochure and registration form for the Community Music School. The students created many of the ads, formatted and sized pages, made corrections and made more corrections. The students added their creative flair to make each program take on the theme of each show. After creating each program the students assisted with printing, collating and booklet making and gave all the programs a finished professional look.

Quantities for each program:
900 for Upper Perkiomen Middle School “Into the Woods Jr.”
1700 for Spring-Ford High School “Annie Get Your Gun”
500 for Community Music School Summer Camp Brochure
1500 for Perkiomen Valley High School “Godspell”

The Cosmetology students attended the International Beauty Show in New York on March 8 where they learned new trends from stylists across the globe. We all had a great time!
During the third quarter, Mrs. Pletcher’s VOICES program continued to explore the many shop areas, focusing on the construction cluster. Students Emily Kibby, Dan Krieger, and Joel Marko of Pottsgrove; Jake Adamson, Eliza Baxter, Nathan Butler, and Stephanie Wojton of Spring-Ford; and Ivy Coyle, Abby Edleman, and Wayne Goodin of Upper Perkiomen participated in lessons designed by their fellow WMCTC students in the Carpenter and Electrical Occupations programs.

Level I Carpentry students Devon Charriez and Blake Andrews of Spring-Ford and Anthony Pizzo of Upper Perkiomen guided the VOICES students in a hands-on lesson where they built small catapults using small hand tools and a chop saw after introducing proper personal protective equipment. All students enjoyed a launch activity where they got to launch marbles using their catapult.

Level I Electrical Occupations students David Haupt, Matthew Moyer, Michael Wilson, and Shelby Shupard of Pottsgrove; Thomas Tryon from Pope John Paul; Erik Amerine, Cole Slatcher, and Michael Wu of Spring-Ford; and Scott Sames of Upper Perkiomen designed all aspects of their lesson that included planning, classroom arrangement, and guidance of a hands-on activity. The VOICES students learned how to draw a schematic of a single-pole switch, and the Electrical Occupations students guided them while they brought their schematic to life during a hands-on wiring lesson.

Students in all shops enjoyed the opportunity to come together with students from another program and teach their peers what they have learned from Mr. Antrim (Carpentry) and Mr. Ducko (Electrical Occupations).
Automotive Technology

Mr. Bray & Mr. Nonnemacher

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Metal Technology  Mr. Klein

Our new Haas TL-2 CNC Toolroom Lathe was delivered on Thursday, April 14th. The addition of this machine will provide students with the opportunity to learn and develop knowledge and skills in CNC turning. This machine will provide students with the equipment required to pursue the National Institute for Metalworking Skills certifications in CNC Turning Programming, Setup, & Operations, as well as CNC Turning Operator.

On Friday, April 15th a group of Metal Tech students traveled to Washington D.C. to attend the 2016 USA Science & Engineering Festival. The theme for this year’s festival was “Fuel your Curiosity” and the event certainly lived up to this expectation. The students found the numerous displays and interactive activities intriguing and motivating as they could see first-hand how the skills they are learning at WMCTC can be applied to a career in STEM related careers. It was a great learning experience for all who attended.

“It was very interesting to see so much technology, science, mechanical devises, and creativity merged together in one place. It was an unforgettable experience”- Hunter Johnson, 10th grade Upper Perkiomen S.D.

Several Metal Tech students are working on a collaborative project for the Pottsgrove S.D. football team. Utilizing their welding, machining, and fabrication skills this group has been manufacturing plyometrics boxes for the football team’s training and conditioning drills. Manufacturing the plyometrics boxes is not only saving one of our sending schools a few dollars, but it is providing the Metal Technology students with a unique and challenging project. Calculating compound angles, developing a fixture for tacking, and calculating material requirements and costs are just a few of the skills the students have focused on while working on this project.
Environmental Design

Mrs. Mueller

Environmental Design Class

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WMCTC Interview

Principal Weneck

Interview with Upper Perk sophomore, Leah Frank

Former Student of the Quarter winner, Leah Frank, sat down with Principal Weneck to discuss his decision to enroll in the Automotive Technology (a non-traditional program for female students) at WMCTC.

WMCTC: What sending district do you attend?
Upper Perkiomen

WMCTC: Are you involved with any extracurricular activities?
I enjoy horseback riding, riding ATV’s, and hunting.

WMCTC: Do you have a job?
Yes. I currently work on a farm and also at a local diner.

WMCTC: Why did you elect to attend Auto Tech, a non-traditional program?
I thought about several programs such as Culinary, Cosmetology, and Diesel Tech. I have a lot of interests, really. And I tend to lose interest in things quickly. But I know Auto Tech has a lot to learn and I wanted to get an overview of the entire field so I went with Auto Tech. I also like the idea of attending a tech school.

WMCTC: What are some of the lessons you enjoy?
I like the lessons that challenge my strength. It is nice to achieve a goal and prove I can get done a physical job.

WMCTC: What tasks do you find interesting?
I particularly like learning about engine repair.

WMCTC: What are your plans when you graduate?
I’m actually considering going to a trade school to learn about auto body so I can continue to broaden my skills. I’d like to open up a restoration business one day.

WMCTC: What would you tell other students considering enrolling in a non-traditional program?
It is fun. But it isn’t a joke. It is hard work and you need maturity to work through the program.

Early Childhood Education

Registration for the Buckaroo Nursery school is currently open for the 2016-2017 school year. We have limited openings in the 2’s, 3’s and 4’s classrooms. You can find information on the WMCTC website under Buckaroo Nursery.

Level I students have visited off-site facilities in the area including Royersford Goddard, Evans Elementary, Chesterbrook Academy and Bright Beginnings. The students were able to observe in the different classrooms and find more information about the facilities and requirements to teach in those centers.

All the nursery school classes held their annual Easter Egg hunt and Make and Take. Special thanks to Mrs. Arnt’s Culinary class for the goodies of banana and sugar cookies that they made and decorated.

Mrs. German