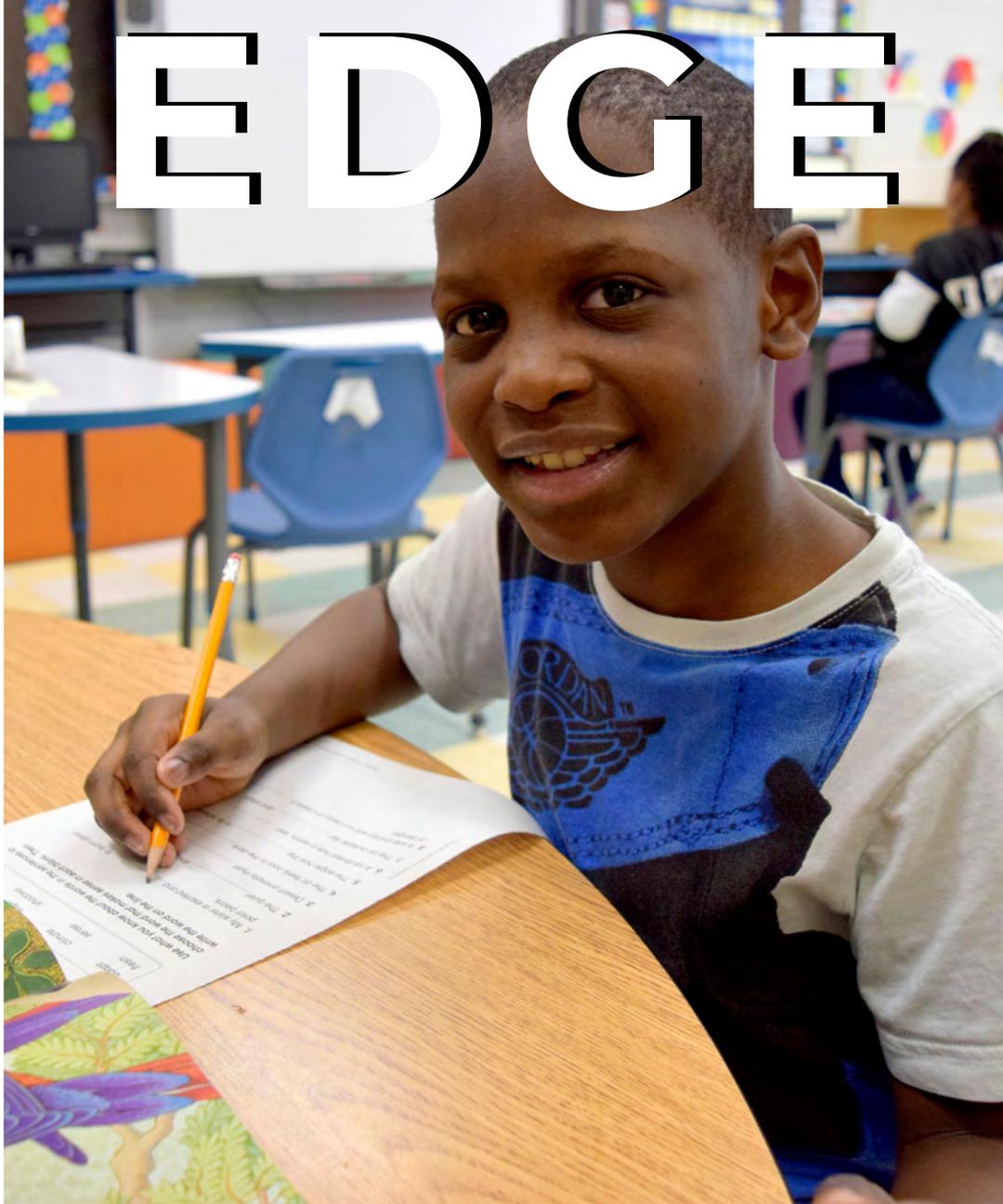


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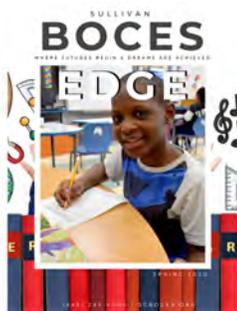
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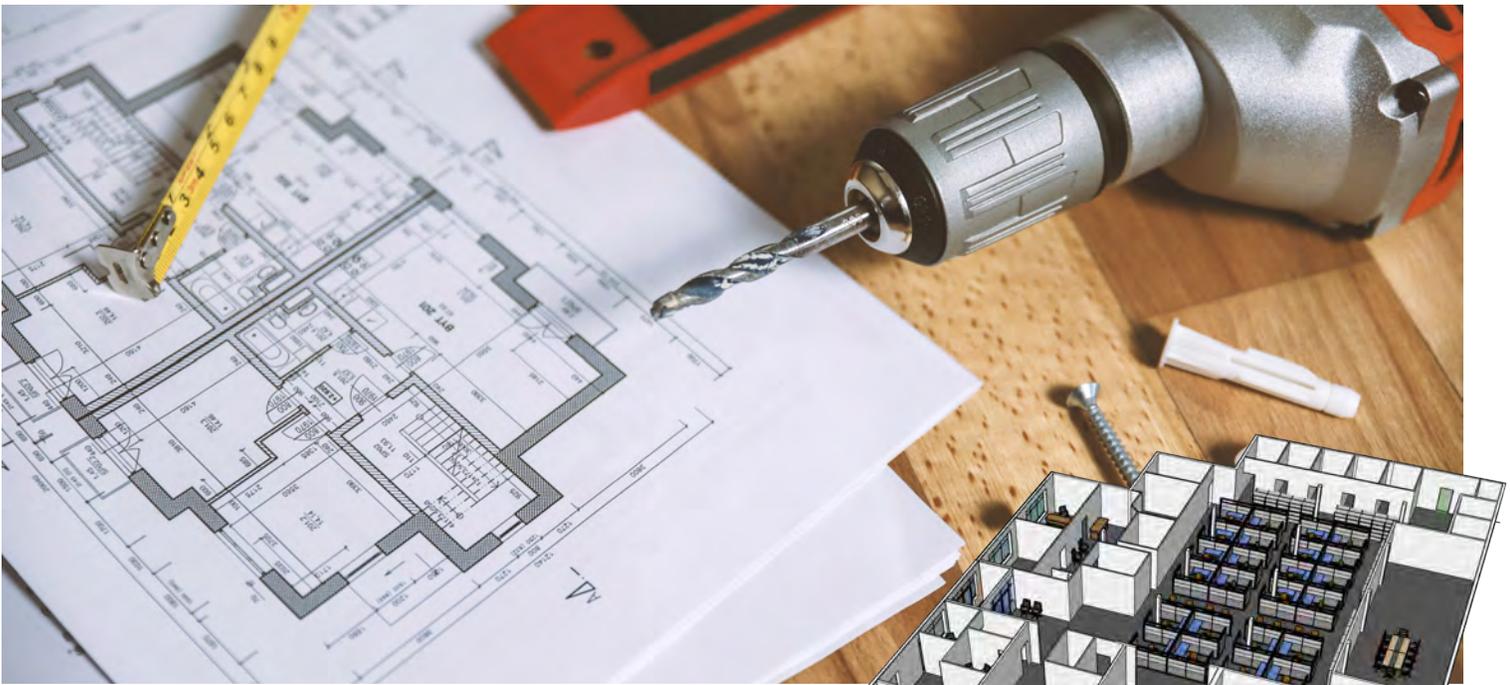
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ABOUT SULLIVAN BOCES

Sullivan BOCES delivers a wide-range of instructional and management services to its eight component school districts and several other districts outside the county. Our three hundred staff members collaborate with our partners to create solutions to educational challenges, increase operational efficiencies, and reduce costs. We improve student success by providing quality educational experiences, helping students achieve their goals, learn skills, increase knowledge and develop a work ethic for the 21st century.





BOCES ADMINISTRATION BUILDING SET TO MOVE TO THE LIBERTY MALL

In December, Sullivan BOCES announced plans to move several departments and divisions from the 6 Wierk Avenue building to the Liberty Mall located at 15 Sullivan Avenue in Liberty, New York. BOCES expects that its curriculum and instructional support services, management services, adult education, administration, grant-funded programs, and conference center facilities will move to the new location.

According to Robert M. Dufour, Ed.D. District Superintendent of BOCES, "The relocation will allow BOCES to accommodate the expansion of the management and support services offered to our component school districts. The new facility will be more accommodating for individuals attending meetings and professional development workshops with everything in one contiguous space on the ground floor. In addition, more parking will be available."

BOCES will stagger the move of offices starting in March. The staggering of office relocations will allow for optimum workflow and minimize downtime for the school districts that the BOCES serves. We expect all the offices to be at the new facility by June 30, 2020.

"Additional information about the schedule of moves will be shared as the project progresses," added Dr. Dufour. "The good news is all of our telephone numbers will remain the same, and our offices will stay in Liberty, which is central to all of our component school districts."

Specific offices affected by the move include the district superintendent's office, the BOCES business office, the central business office, human resources, model schools, arts in education, school improvement, telecommunications support, school library system, adult education, technology, communications, CAP grant and the Sullivan County Teacher Center.



CAREER & TECH CENTER OPENS DOORS TO PROSPECTIVE STUDENTS

Over five hundred 5th & 8th-grade students from Sullivan County school districts attended the Career & Technical Education Center's Career Expo this year.

The goal of the Expo was to introduce middle school students to the many careers tied to the programs offered at the Career & Tech Center. Not only did the students learn about different careers, but it was a perfect opportunity for them to explore and see first-hand the educational options available when they enter high school. Adira Greerdadilla, an 8th-grade student from Fallsburg, was excited about coming to the Career & Tech Center so she could learn about the different CTE programs, and get a head start on her career in order to get a better job.

According to Sonja Ferreira, School Counselor at Fallsburg CSD, "Allowing our students to learn about different careers and education opportunities available to them at the Career & Tech Center is a wonderful opportunity."



Adira Greerdadilla, looks forward to coming to CTE to explore a future in Veterinary Science.

At the Expo, students asked questions about the various trades and careers and took part in hands-on activities related to each Career & Tech program including:

- Holding a baby goat and puppy from the animal science program
- Making chocolate covered pretzels with the culinary students
- Creating drainage patterns with natural resources' water table and virtual sandbox
- Learning how to do CPR with the health occupation students
- Using the welding program's virtual welder.

Arianna Gonzalez, an 8th-grade student, "Attending the CTE Expo has made me reconsider what I want to do after high school. I was not planning on attending CTE, however now I am considering coming to the Career & Tech Center because I realize there are so many interactive careers out there."

CAREER & TECH CENTER OPENS DOORS (CONT.)



The Expo is only one event that shows students what the Career & Tech Center offers. During their sophomore year, students attend a CTE orientation session, and can spend a day visiting CTE programs.

"Being exposed to CTE at an early age is such an awesome opportunity for our students. They enjoyed every moment of the Expo while taking full advantage of the interaction with the career & tech students, and learning about future career opportunities," added Ferreira.

"Over the next couple of months, students interested in attending the Career & Tech Center will work with their home school guidance counselors to register for the career & tech program of their choice," said Scott Palermo, executive principal of the CTE program.



PROGRAMS OFFERED

- Animal Science
- Auto Body
- Automotive Technology
- Broadcasting / Music Production
- Commercial Drone Aviation Pilot
- Construction Technology
- Cosmetology
- Culinary Arts

- Early Childhood Education
- Health Occupations
- Innovative Design
- Natural Resources
- New Vision Health
- Public Safety
- Travel & Adventure
- Welding

**Sullivan BOCES
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Education Center**

Come Visit!

The Career & Tech Center welcomes students, parents and school districts to come and learn about the programs available at the Career & Tech Center.

For more information
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CONGRESSMAN DELGADO VISITS SULLIVAN BOCES

On February 20, Congressman Antonio Delgado visited Sullivan BOCES and toured the Rubin Pollack Education Center to learn more about the career & technical education courses offered. His goal was to meet with students, teachers, and administrators to learn about how he can bolster workforce development programs in order to expand these opportunities across our region and ensure schools have the resources they need to help students' access training for 21st-century jobs.

"Specialized trades require advanced training, and I am thankful for the folks at Sullivan BOCES for their work to equip our young people with the skills needed for good-paying jobs in our rural communities," said Congressman Delgado. "I enjoyed my conversations today with enrolled students, teachers, and administrators in a wide range of fields, including the Auto Body, Automotive Technology, Construction Trades, and Natural Resources programs."

"The visit with Congressman Delgado had a tremendous impact on our students as he spoke to them about how the skills they are learning at BOCES will impact their future," said Robert M. Dufour, Ed.D. District Superintendent at Sullivan BOCES. "Federal support for career & technical education is crucial to Sullivan BOCES' efforts to train our future workforce. The partnerships we are building within our community allows us to give our students real-life experiences that they will carry with them into the future to make them valued members of the workforce."



CONGRESSMAN DELGADO VISIT (CONT.)



Earlier this month, Congressman Delgado introduced the 'Gateway to Careers Act' to create a career pathway grant to fund partnerships between community or technical colleges and workforce development partners such as state workforce development boards, industry associations, and community-based organizations. These programs would support efforts to offer wrap-around services, including child care, opioid addiction treatment, transportation, and other forms of assistance for community college and career and technical education (CTE) students.

SCHOLASTIC ARTS PROGRAM RECOGNIZES STUDENTS' ABILITY AND OPENS DOOR TO CREATIVITY



Defying Gravity ~ Julisa Rosa, Liberty CSD

On February 7, Sullivan BOCES and The Hudson Valley Scholastic Art Affiliates (HVSAA) once again came together to organize and present the Regional 2020 Scholastic Art & Writing Awards. The HVSAA is a consortium of organizations including Dutchess BOCES, Orange-Ulster BOCES, Sullivan BOCES, Ulster BOCES, the Enlarged City School Districts of Middletown, and the Orange County Arts Council.

The Scholastic Arts Awards program allows Hudson Valley students to showcase their talents in the areas of architecture, ceramics, design, painting, illustration, fashion, photography, digital art, mixed media, printmaking, sculpture, and film. "Each year, we are proud of all the students who submitted artwork. Every year I am in awe of the talent of our students," said Susan Zieres-Teepie, Arts In Education Coordinator at Sullivan BOCES.

This year, thirty-three different schools, 918 students and 83 educators submitted 3,356 pieces of art. As a result, the Hudson Valley Affiliate awarded 234 Gold Keys, 343 Silver Keys, Honorable Mentions, and American Vision awards. In Sullivan County, eleven pieces of art received the gold key award, and eleven pieces of art earned silver key awards.

Keynote speaker Evan Turk, award-winning illustrator, author, and animator, shared his artistic journey with the students. He stressed that they should stay open to every opportunity that comes their way as one day; your experience and connections will lead to success.



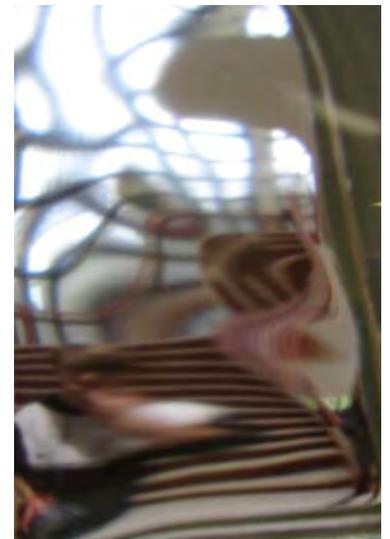
Winter Wonderland
~ Patricia Scarlett, Liberty CSD



Her
~ Kali Pantone, Monticello CSD



Monkeys
~ Abigail Kelly, Liberty CSD



The Mad Man's Walk
~ Leah Fitzgerald, Liberty CSD

SCHOLASTIC ARTS PROGRAM (CONT.)

“I was thrilled to learn that two of my photographs won awards. I am excited to be here tonight with so many talented artists. As I view the other artwork, I am inspired to do more.”

~ Dylan Peters, Liberty HS



Problems of a 4 yr old ~ Dylan Peters, Liberty CSD

Gold Key winners:

- Marissa Figueroa - Liberty High School
- Leah Fitzgerald - Liberty High School
- Gillian Ibarra - Monticello High School
- Abigail Kelly - Liberty High School
- Andralyn LaGattuta - Liberty High School
- Kali Pantone - Monticello High School
- Dylan Peters - Liberty High School
- Julisa Rosa - Liberty High School
- Andrew Scamihorn - Liberty High School
- Patricia Scarlett - Liberty High School

Silver Key winners:

- Gabrielle Acosta-Herrera - Monticello High School
- Marissa Figueroa - Liberty High School
- Leah Fitzgerald - Liberty High School
- Abigail Kelly - Liberty High School
- Andralyn LaGattuta - Liberty High School
- Edward Lundquist - Livingston Manor High School
- Mariam Nada - Monticello High School
- Kali Pantone - Monticello High School
- Dylan Peters - Liberty High School
- Andrew Scamihorn - Liberty High School



Veiled Visitor
~ Marissa Figueroa, Liberty CSD



Dark Bridge
~ Andrew Scamihorn, Liberty CSD



Verbal Escape
~ Andralyn LaGattuta, Liberty CSD



Love and Beauty
~ Gillian Ibarra, Monticello CSD

SULLIVAN 180 AND SULLIVAN BOCES PARTNER TO EXPAND HEALTH AND WELLNESS EFFORTS IN SULLIVAN COUNTY SCHOOLS



Dr. Robert Dufour, District Superintendent, Sullivan BOCES; Sandi Rolland, Executive Director, Sullivan 180; Senator Jen Metzger; Nancy Degraw, Public Health Director, Sullivan County; and Sandra Gerry, Chair of the Board of Directors for Sullivan 180

On January 22, school districts and community-based organizations came together to form a School Health and Wellness Council to collaborate on methods to increase community-wide health and wellness activities throughout Sullivan County schools.

Sandra Gerry, Chair of the Board of Directors for Sullivan 180, stated, "The convening of the Council gave us a snapshot of what is currently happening in the schools in regards to health and wellness and the abundance of quality community resources that are available to schools and their students. This Council will provide a platform for schools to enhance their wellness policies and programs.

According to Sandi Rowland, Executive Director, Sullivan 180, the Council was brought together through a partnership between Sullivan 180 and Sullivan BOCES. "We are so excited to work with the schools to launch this initiative and build a culture of health within the community," said Rowland.

At the meeting, the community partners shared their wellness initiatives, opening the door for school districts to know what resources are available for their use. School districts also shared what they are doing within their buildings. Although everyone in attendance was at different stages in rolling out wellness initiatives, the sharing of information allowed everyone to take away a new resource or idea of how to develop their respective efforts.

Joyce Hoag, Teacher & Wellness Committee Chair, Livingston Manor School, stated, "Our district is just starting to implement wellness initiatives, and this meeting gave me great hope to see what other schools are doing. With the help of the community partners, I can see great things happening at Livingston Manor CSD."

Fallsburg School District has worked with various community partners for several years. "This meeting was informative and helpful. We have seen the benefits of working with our community partners with our students and the health benefits for our community in terms of discipline, wellness, and happiness," said Suzanne Lendzian, Director of Physical Education & Athletics, Fallsburg CSD.

HEALTH AND WELLNESS (CONT.)

Health and wellness is a topic that local schools take seriously for the overall well-being of students and staff. "I believe the Health and Wellness Council will make great strides in improving the health and wellness of our students and school employees, which will help improve the overall health of the County," said Robert Dufour, Ed.D. District Superintendent Sullivan BOCES.

"Children are our future, and if we want to make Sullivan County a healthier community, we need to focus on our children," concluded Rowland.

"Our schools are doing many wonderful things, but there is more work to be done."

Sandra Gerry, Chair of the Board
of Directors for Sullivan 180

EMPOWERING A HEALTHIER GENERATION SCHOOL AWARD

Senator Jen Metzger, Sullivan 180, and Sullivan BOCES announced the launch of a new initiative to encourage health and well-being in Sullivan County Schools. The "Empowering a Healthier Generation School Award" will recognize school districts doing exemplary work to promote opportunities for health and wellness by providing monetary awards and grants to further strengthen their efforts.

The program is structured as a competition over the 2020/21 academic school year to encourage school districts to think of bold and innovative ways to support the health and well-being of their school communities. School districts that demonstrate the most progress on promoting school health and wellness are eligible to receive monetary awards, including a first place \$200,000 State and Municipal Capital (SAM) grant from Senator Metzger's office. "Making sure that young people here in Sullivan County have access to healthy choices is vital to their physical, emotional, and social well-being, as well as their scholastic success," said Senator Metzger. "I am thrilled to partner with Sullivan 180 and Sullivan BOCES in promoting health and wellness in Sullivan County schools, and look forward to seeing the positive impacts this new health initiative will have on our young people."

According to Sandra Gerry, Chair of the Board of Directors for Sullivan 180, "Our schools are doing many wonderful things, but there is more work to be done. The 'Empowering a Healthier Generation' award program will be a catalyst for schools to do more to address health among their students, staff and in their communities."

Aside from Metzger's grant award, additional awards will be announced throughout the year. The final awards will be made at the end of the 2020/21 academic school year.





CTE: TRAINING ALLOWS STUDENTS TO EXPLORE MORE CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

As industries evolve, so do the programs at the Career & Technical Education. The Auto Body Program is just one example of how BOCES continually adapts the curriculum to meet the ever-changing transformations of the Auto Body Industry.

Five years ago, custom paint and graphics were introduced as an enhancement to the curriculum. This gave students exposure to decals that were either simple vehicle pinstripe badging or installing simulated wood grain overlays on the side of a station wagon. Today, with the addition of Photoshop and a large format seven-color inkjet printer, graphics has become an area of study where the students get to explore their creative abilities. The program currently devotes time teaching students how to create, print, and apply graphics to vehicles.

One project BOCES is very proud of, is the vehicle wrap the class did on a van for the BOCES technology department. For this project, students from both the morning and afternoon classes collaborated on the project to design, print, and wrap the vehicle. Today, community members can see the students work as the technicians drive between BOCES' facilities.

The van has become such a hit, that several local businesses, including an international company, responsible for the rebranding of one of our community partners, has expressed interest in collaborating on signage and vehicle wrapping. Vehicle wrapping has become a cost-effective marketing tool due to its ability to reach more people. As this form of advertising continues to grow, students have additional career opportunities to explore.

EXPLORING MORE CAREER OPPORTUNITIES (CONT.)



Projects Leading to the Full Vehicle Wrap

The first project students completed was lettering a handicap accessible van for the Sullivan County Veterans Coalition. This project allowed students to work with local businesses in the Sullivan County community, reproducing logos and installing decals.

Since then, students have been involved with other projects, including lettering for local race cars, Soap Box Derby cars, as well as providing signage for schools.

Students were also involved in the completion of the dove project for SUNY Sullivan, applying a custom automotive finish.



NEW MODULAR CLASSROOM BUILDING PROVIDES STUDENTS WITH A FRESH OUTLOOK ON SCHOOL

After two months of being in their new classrooms, students and staff have a fresh outlook on learning. The new building has created a positive learning environment for our students and staff.



NEW CLASSROOMS (CONT.)



"The students and staff love our new building it has given us the room to grow and flourish. I am looking forward to the positive things to come."

- Megan Becker,
Executive Principal,
Sullivan BOCES





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