

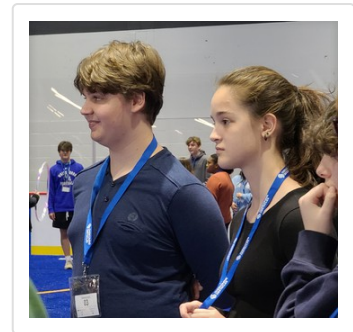
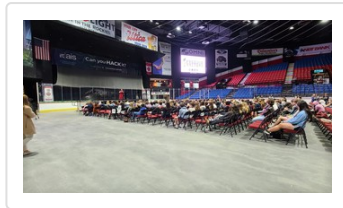
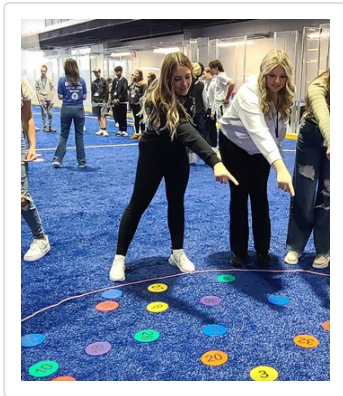
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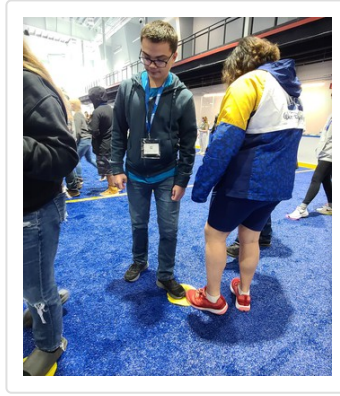
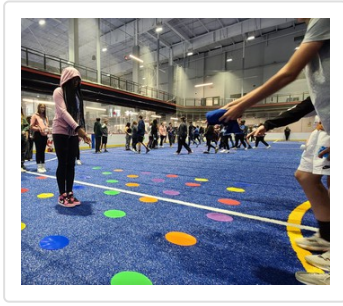
Monthly Newsletter of P-TECH OHM



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Overcoming Obstacles Field Trip

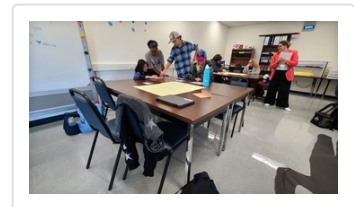
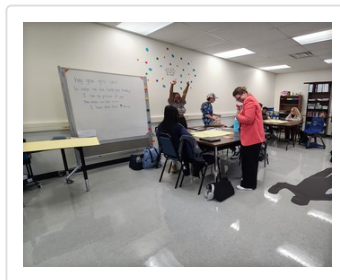
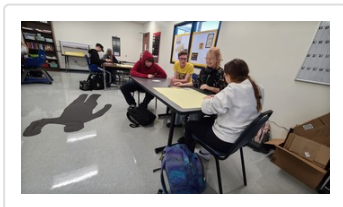




On Tuesday, September 26, P-TECH freshmen, along with Mr. Ames' Criminal Justice class, attended the Overcoming Obstacles event at the Nexus Center. The event was for all tri-county freshmen. Erin Gruwell and The Freedom Writers presented a keynote address to the students. They heard the stories of students who endured significant hardships but still found pathways to success.

The students also attended breakout sessions focused on social-emotional learning. They participated in team building activities with students from other districts. The groups worked together to solve puzzles, sometimes competing with other groups to achieve the fastest completion times. Through these activities, the students honed a variety of skill sets, including collaboration, communication and leadership, to name a few. Students strengthened their relationships with one another throughout the day as well. They reported positive experiences from the day.

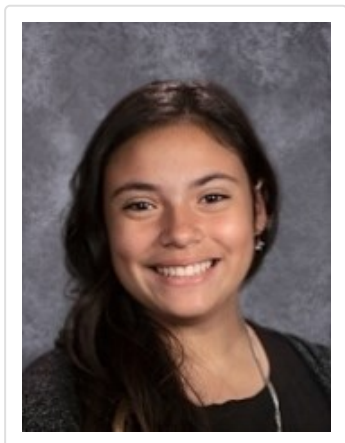
ELA Mystery Project



Mrs. Wagner's English 9 class completed a murder mystery project this month. Students worked together in groups, or precincts, to solve the murder of Mr. Smith. They sorted through clues, organizing them and forming their own theories as to the culprit, how it happened, and the motive. The students made their own charts outlining their thought processes and their theories. When each group was ready, they presented their theory to the police chief, Mrs. Wagner, and backed it up with evidence from the clues.

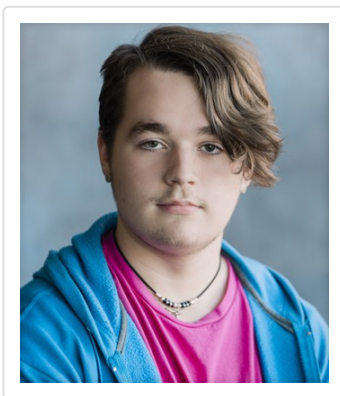
After Mrs. Wagner confirmed their theories, each group analyzed their process, discussing what went well and what they could have done in a better way. This is a great way for students to practice critical thinking and organizational skills. Following this activity, the students will work on creative writing. Each will write their own murder mysteries for other classes to solve!

P-TECH Students Earn Honor Society Membership



Bella Rivera

Utica City School District



Seth Firsching

Westmoreland Central School
District

Two P-TECH OHM students who currently study on the Mohawk Valley Community College campus have been inducted into the Phi Theta Kappa International Honor Society. This is the international honor society for two-year schools; it is also America's largest higher education honor society. Students can earn membership by adhering to the society's moral standards and maintaining a minimum of a 3.5 cumulative GPA.

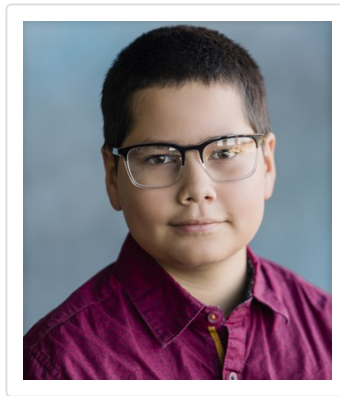
Bella Rivera is a senior in her second year of the Human Services program and Seth Firsching is a senior in his first year of the Business Administration program. Both students have shown leadership and commitment to their academics throughout their P-TECH and college courses.

Student Ambassadors



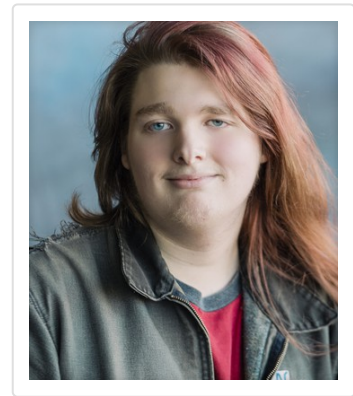
Freshman - Hailey Fedor

Hailey is from the Utica City School District. Peers state that Hailey began the school year by "demonstrating respect and kindness to everyone around her." They acknowledge her work ethic and ability to collaborate as part of a team. Hailey makes academics a priority and her grades reflect that.



Sophomore - Joel Lynch Jr.

Joel is from the Westmoreland Central School District. Teachers state that Joel is respectful and helpful to his peers while supporting them and offering suggestions. Recently in STEAM, he "worked relentlessly to improve his design by following the engineering design process." The hard work paid off and his paper airplane reached a distance of 100 feet.



Junior - Grymm Cronizer

Grymm is from the Vernon-Verona-Sherrill Central school District. Grymm has started this year on a very positive note. Class participation and task completion have improved while Grymm has continued to be a positive peer for classmates. Grymm's enthusiasm for the Emerging Technology & Cyber Security Career Tech course is notable.



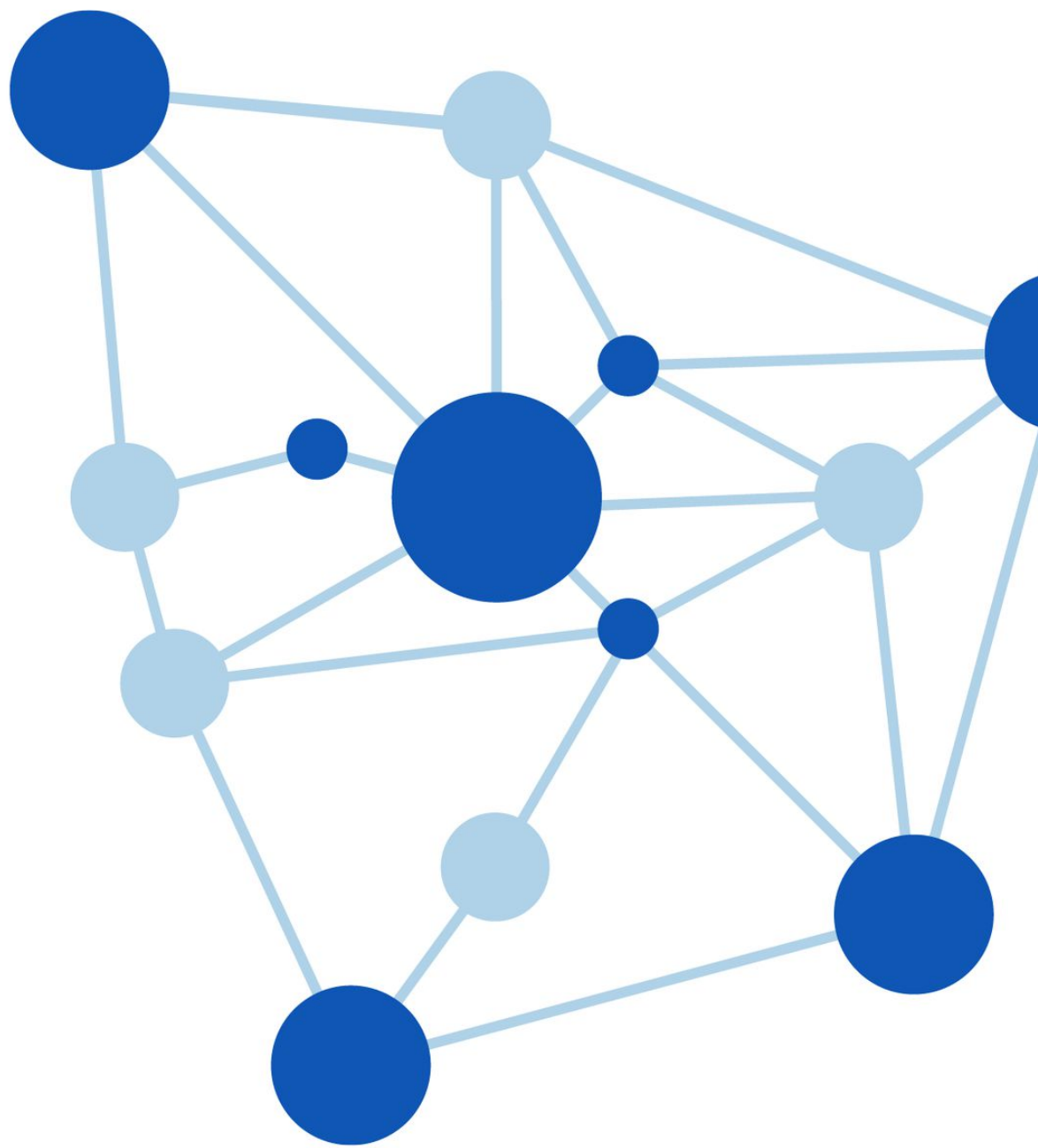
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