

# Greater Lowell Tech selects 4 December Students of the Month

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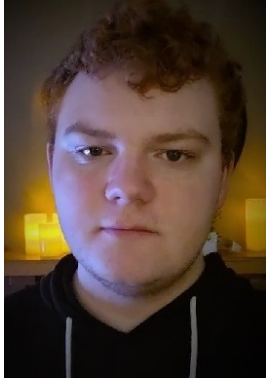
TYNGSBORO – Greater Lowell Technical High School has announced its December Students of the Month. The students have displayed the characteristics of our school's core values, of respect, effort, accountability, commitment and honesty in their classes and among their peers.



**Travis Patenaude** of Dracut is the Senior of the Month. He is in the Programming and Web Development program and maintains high honors with a cumulative grade-point average of 3.9. He has perfect attendance this year, which has helped him excel in his technical and academic courses. He pursues a rigorous course schedule which includes Honors English, Honors PreCalculus and Advanced Placement Computer Science. He is a competitor in SkillsUSA and earned a silver medal in the 2020 District Competition for Internetworking. Travis plans to attend college in the hopes of pursuing a degree in Software Development. He is described as a student who consistently puts extraordinary effort into everything he does in and out of class, and is committed to learning the most he can from every lesson.



**Abbey Gingras** of Dracut is the Junior of the Month. She is in the Programming and Web Development program and is currently the top-ranked students in the junior class with a grade-point average of 4.47. She is pursuing a challenging course load that includes Honors Precalculus, Advanced Placement Biology, Advanced Placement English Language & Composition, and Advanced Placement Computer Science, and has completed-dual enrollment coursework in Chemistry through with Quincy College. She is vice president of Math Club, the student representative to her program's Advisory Committee, and a member of the Biology and Drama clubs. In addition to serving as chapter parliamentarian for SkillsUSA, Abbey earned a state silver medal as a technical competitor and is a leader in the SkillsUSA Freshman Program. She will be inducted into the National Honor Society and National Technical Honor Society later this year. She volunteers for RevoYOUTHtion, Merrimack Valley Food Drive, peer tutoring and the Lowell City of Lights Parade. She plans to study Mechanical and Biomedical Engineering in college, with hopes of becoming a field service engineer.



**Steven McConnell** of Dracut is the Sophomore of the Month. He is in the Plumbing program and maintains high honors in his technical and academic courses, which include technical training as well as college preparatory academic work in English, Geometry, Chemistry and U.S. History. He was nominated as a student who “displays strong leadership and employability skills in addition to being invested in his education and serious about his future.” After graduation, Steven plans to pursue a career in the plumbing field by obtaining a journeyman’s license with a goal of owning his own business.



**Julia da Silva** of Lowell is the Freshman of the Month. She entered Greater Lowell Tech from Saint Michael School. She is a member of the Freshman Planning Committee and has earned honor-roll status in all of her academic courses. She is currently previewing technical areas through the Exploratory Program and is particularly enjoying her exploratory work in Medical Assisting and hopes to enter that program. After graduation, Julia plans to pursue a career in the medical field and continue her education at NYU School of Medicine. She has a long history of participation in community-service initiatives and has received awards for perfect attendance and honor roll. She was nominated as a student who consistently displays Greater Lowell Tech’s core values by putting forth her best effort every day, and offering insightful comments that contribute to the overall success of the class.