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The **TECH Times**

P-TECH Students Place in Competitions



Aiden Sheaffer



Cacey Confer



**NY Mills Class D Girls
Champions**

On February 9, two P-TECH students competed in the Area 2 SkillsUSA Regional Conference. Aiden Scheaffer took third place in Cabinet Making and Cacey Confer took second place in Extemporaneous Speaking. Congratulations to our two SkillsUSA award winners! The OHM BOCES also won the Area 2 Community Service Award for the seventh consecutive year.

Additionally, P-TECH senior Brendan Lee placed first in the 55m hurdles and is a member of the Saquoit Valley Boys Class C Sectional Champion team. Chelsy Plows and Brooke Coffin each set personal records in the weight throw as part of the New York Mills Girls Class D Championship team, and Chelsy won first place for the weight throw. Congratulations to all!

Math Academy Field Trip



This month, Mrs. Colantuoni and Mrs. Cassulis took students on a Math Academy field trip. During this volunteer opportunity, students worked with Lenora D'Apice, Chief Strategy Officer at Community Wellness Partners and one of our P-TECH OHM mentors. Students served a Valentine's Day lunch at Presbyterian Residential Community. Through their volunteerism, students gain work experience, learn new skills, gain a sense of purpose, improve their mental health and give back to the community.

Click the link below to learn more about Presbyterian Residential Community.



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Phi Theta Kappa International Honor Society Induction Ceremony



On February 12, several P-TECH students were inducted into the Lambda Beta chapter of Phi Theta Kappa International Honor Society at Mohawk Valley Community College. To become members,

students must maintain a minimum 3.5 GPA. The following students earned this distinction:

- Lillian Boris | Junior, Holland Patent Central School District
- Addyson Carrier | Junior, Holland Patent Central School District
- Todd Deily | Junior, Rome City School District
- Jonathyn Langone | Junior, Rome City School District
- Caden Salsberg | Junior, Clinton Central School District
- Jadin Staring | Year-Five, New York Mills Union Free School District
- Quincy Stayton | Junior, Sauquoit Valley Central School District

Congratulations to all! Please click the link below to read the full article from MVCC.



81 MVCC students inducted into Phi Theta Kappa honor society

On Monday, Feb. 12, 2024, Mohawk Valley Community College added 81 students to the Lambda Beta Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa, the international honor society for two-year colleges

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P-TECH PRIDE Day



P-TECH PRIDE represents the program's core principles of Partnership, Respect, Innovation, Diversity and Excellence. For one day each month, the program steps away from regularly scheduled classes to provide programming focused on these core principles.

January's P-TECH PRIDE Day centered around partnership by inviting P-TECH business partners to conduct mock interviews with students. The students participated in several rounds of interviews and received feedback from each business partner. The mock interview process helped the

students to simultaneously hone their job interview skills and network for future career opportunities. Thank you to all of the guest interviewers for their time and feedback!

P-TECH alumni Sabah Haji and T Dell'Anno (both members of the program's second cohort) also visited BOCES to speak to current students. Sabah earned an associate degree in human services and is currently working at Wolfspeed while also pursuing a bachelor's degree at SUNY Polytechnic. T earned an associate degree in business management and is currently employed at Indium Corporation. Students asked questions, and alumni spoke about the resilience needed to achieve at the college level and the importance of taking advantage of opportunities throughout their P-TECH journeys.

January's PRIDE Day also focused on diversity. In small groups, the Elevating Student Voices team led important discussions with students regarding their experiences with diversity. Students talked about their communities, creating friendships and enhancing the welcoming environment at P-TECH. The Elevating Student Voices team led their groups with poise and dignity, and the students are looking forward to having more conversations around important topics in the future!

Student Ambassadors



Freshman - Ethan Labuz

Ethan is from the Clinton Central School District. Teachers note Ethan's academic achievement and leadership in the classroom. He always goes out of his way to help his classmates. "During group work activities, he makes sure all members of the group are included and he is proving to be a great communicator."



Sophomore - Skylar DesMarais

Skylar is from the New York Mills Union Free School District. Skylar earned an "Early Bird" award for submitting every weekly project ahead of schedule so far this year. She is friendly and helps others. She also asks questions in class and makes strong contributions to group projects.



Junior - Robert McCann

Robert is from the New Hartford Central School District. Robert's peers acknowledge his positive attitude and strong work ethic. His attendance is excellent as well. Robert has excellent networking skills and is always willing to help others.

New LinkedIn Page

P-TECH OHM now has it's own LinkedIn page! The page is being used as a teaching tool in the tenth grade Professional Development & Mentoring course. Click the link below to connect with us!

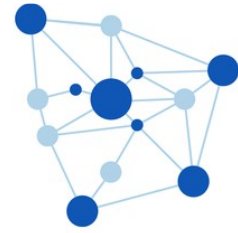
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