

### **November Student of the Month: Hannah Buckland**

Hannah Buckland, a junior from Valley View High School, has been nominated as November Student of the Month by her Child Care & Development Instructor, Mrs. Kristine Lenceski.

“Hannah, a dedicated junior in the Early Childhood Care and Development program from Valley View, is the epitome of a positive role model, who is trustworthy, professional, and conscientious, making her the ideal candidate for November's Student of the Month. Her grades are excellent, and she is always focused in the classroom while using her time wisely.

She is a student ambassador, does the CTC announcements, and consistently volunteers to help in any way she can. She inspires her classmates with her quiet confidence and genuine

love for children, which is evident in her humility and grace. Hannah’s heart for service, positive spirit, respectful demeanor, and unwavering kindness make our school #CTCProud to have her represent the future of early childhood education. Therefore, it is without hesitation that I nominate Hannah Buckland, aka "Hannah Banana" for CTC's November Student of the Month!”, stated Mrs. Lenceski. While in the Child Care program, Hannah has obtained her Basic First Aid/AED/CPR for infants, children, and adults, OSHA 10, Mandated Reporter, and certificates of completion of all 11 employability skills in CareerSafe. She participates in Keystone College Dual-Enrollment, participates in clinical hours at Valley View Elementary, and has accumulated volunteer hours last year at North Scranton Head Start. “I chose CTC to make new friends, new memories, learn more about the career I plan to pursue, and to figure out what I plan to do in the future,” stated Hannah.

Hannah is the daughter of Alan Buckland Jr. At Valley View, she is a member of the Spanish Club, Art Club, Drama Club, and Student Council, and participates in theater and musicals. AT CTC, Hannah is a Student Ambassador and does the daily announcements. She also works part-time as a Cashier at GIANT Grocery Store. Although only a junior, Hannah plans to go to College for Psychology in order to become a family therapist.



**November Student of the Month: Natalie Giordano**

Natalie Giordano, a Mid Valley senior, has been nominated as November Student of the Month by her Medical Assisting Instructor, Mrs. Jennifer Savo. “This student consistently demonstrates excellence in both academic performance and professional responsibility. She maintains a grade of high honors while serving as a CTCLC Student Ambassador and participating in co-op at Geisinger CMC four days per week. Natalie has completed OSHA-10 and Mandated Reporter certifications and will represent our school in the SkillsUSA Medical Assisting competition this year. In addition to her clinical and leadership achievements, Natalie took the initiative to organize and coordinate student hoodies for the medical assisting class, exemplifying strong organizational and communication skills. Her character is equally impressive: kind, focused, charismatic, funny, and always willing to support peers and staff. Her responsibility, drive, and genuine leadership make her an outstanding candidate for this nomination, stated Mrs. Savo. Natalie is eligible to sit for the spring CCMA (Certified Clinical Medical Assistant) exam. This will allow her to work directly in the field after successfully obtaining her certification.



Natalie is the daughter of Christina Gallo. When asked why she chose CTC, Natalie said, “I chose CTC because I always wanted to go into the medical field. I figured it would help me gain early knowledge and experience”. At CTC, Natalie is a Student Ambassador and helps with the yearly Earth Day clean-up around the school. At Mid Valley, she is a member of the select choir, drama club, and SADD. In her spare time, Natalie is a dancer at Dave Ragnacci and takes part in the Thriller Dances at Reaper's Revenge in the fall.

Upon graduation, Natalie has been accepted and will attend Misericordia University’s Diagnostic Sonography program.

### **November Student of the Month: Eric Smith**

Eric Smith, a Holy Cross senior, has been nominated as November Student of the Month by his Protective Services Instructor, Mr. Jonathan Coyne, and Co-Op Instructor, Mrs. Bonnie Baker. “ Eric has completed his NREMT during his Junior year of high school with CTCLC, while still keeping up with his grades in my program and at his homeschool of Holy Cross. Eric is an individual who will take time to help a fellow classmate and can bring a smile to almost anyone. He has diligently been working this year on Co-Op with Pennsylvania Ambulance while still maintaining his homeschool grades. He was also one of the first students of CTCLC to participate in the SkillUSA NREMT competition. He is also helping Mr. Czachor with coming up with and preparing ideas for SkillsUSA fundraisers. Eric demonstrates leadership while showing compassion. He would be an excellent individual to be awarded Student of the Month for CTCLC”, stated Mr. Coyne. While in the Protective Services program, Eric has obtained his NREMT, ICS 100, ICS 700, PATH Cert., demonstrating outstanding task abilities in the Medical portion. Last year, he headed to SkillsUSA to compete in the SkillsUSA NREMT competition.



At Holy Cross, Eric participated as stage crew in theatre, and I was awarded the Angelo Santarsiero scholarship for value in work ethic. “I chose to come to CTC because I was always interested in being a first responder, so protective services seemed perfect. I initially joined Mr. Coyne's class for criminal investigation, but got “swept away” by medical”, stated Eric. Eric also participates in his local fire department.

Upon graduation, Eric plans to continue working as an EMT and furthering my career as a paramedic.