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**HUTCHINGS CULINARY STUDENTS
TO BE HONORED WITH TOQUE CEREMONY**

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(MACON, GA) – W.S. Hutchings College & Career Academy’s culinary arts pathway will celebrate first-year students who completed the ServSafe Manager Certification Exam with a Toque Ceremony on Tuesday, October 27, at 8:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. The school is located at 1780 Anthony Road, and members of the media are invited to attend.

“Earning the ServSafe Manager Certification is a significant accomplishment, and this ceremony celebrates the hard work, discipline, and commitment our students have demonstrated. I am proud to see them building the knowledge and professional habits that will help them succeed in the culinary industry,” said Chef Mark Robinson, Culinary Arts Instructor.

In all, 50 students gained their ServSafe Manager Certification, a nationally recognized credential that verifies a manager’s knowledge of essential food safety practices designed to protect the public from foodborne illnesses. In preparation for this exam, students gained valuable knowledge in critical areas such as the importance of food safety, good personal hygiene, time and temperature control, preventing cross-contamination and more.

The ceremony is named after the traditional chef’s toque, a tall, white, pleated hat symbolizing culinary accomplishment and expertise. Each student will receive their own toque to commemorate earning his or her certification.

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