September Student of the Month: Aaron Castro



Aaron Castro, a senior from West Scranton High School, has been nominated as September Student of the Month by his Masonry Instructor, Mr. Jason Sheridan. “Aaron has been working on co-op since 11th grade and is currently working for Knowlton Construction through our Cooperative. He is competing in the CTC in-house Masonry competition to head to SkillsUSA. He is a leader in the lab and a great peer mentor, helping other students succeed”, stated Mr. Sheridan. While in the Masonry program, Aaron has obtained his OSHA 10 and OSHA 30 and 4 American Ladder Safety certifications. These industry certifications are essential for propelling Aaron in the construction trades. “I chose to come to CTC because I thought it would be a great fit for me and help me choose a career path since I enjoy doing hands-on work,” stated Aaron.

Aaron is the son of Marcelo Castro and Andrea Hidalgo. At CTC, he is a Student Ambassador and will compete during the in-house masonry competition to possibly represent CTCLC at districts. At West Scranton, Aaron is a member of the boys' tennis team. He is also a member of National Honor Society.

After graduation, Aaron plans on either joining the Army or going to trade school.

September Student of the Month: Jesus Hernandez



Jesus Hernandez, a West Scranton HS senior, has been nominated as September Student of the Month by his Automotive Instructor, Mr. Bryan Peck. “Jesus is always dedicated to finding the right answer, whether in the classroom or the lab. He doesnt accept close enough for an answer and is an inspiration to his classmates.”, stated Mr. Peck. While in the Automotive program, he has obtained his OSHA10, ASE 609, Snap-on Multimeter, and ALLDATA CAIS certifications. These will help propel Jesus in the Automotive field. Jesus was nominated to attend the SMART program at the University of Scranton for two years.

Jesus is the son of Arcelia Gonzalez and Eduardo Hernandez. “I chose to come to CTC because CTC is known to prepare students for their career. I also chose CTC because I want to be a successful mechanic when I am older”, stated Jesus.
At West Scranton, Jesus holds A’s in his core subjects of science, English, and math.

After graduation, Jesus plans on going to either Austin, TX, or Easton, PA to become a diesel/ industrial technician. As well as obtaining his CDL license.

September Student of the Month: Kailey Turbessi



Kailey Turbessi, a Mid Valley HS senior, has been nominated as September Student of the Month by her Protective Services Instructor, Mr. Jonathan Coyne. “Kailey has blossomed into an amazing student with outstanding drive in the field of Protective Services. She has challenged herself Junior year and participated in Co-Op to obtain her NREMT. She completed her NREMT and began working for Pennsylvania Ambulance over the summer. She continues to work for Penn Ambulance in Co-Op her Senior Year. She also participated in SkillsUSA in Crime Scene Investigation last year.
Kailey is always striving to be her best and obtaining any goal she sets forth in her life.”, stated Mr. Coyne. While in the Protective Services program, Kailey has obtained her NREMT, ASHI First Aid/BLS, Red Cross First Aid/BLS, OSHA 10, ISC 100, 700. She is also a CTC Ambassador.

Kailey is the daughter of Brenda and Raymond Turbessi. “CTC was a last-minute decision for me. My brother was in 10th grade and a part of the electrical program, and he talked about how much he enjoyed it. My friends were going, so I figured I'd check it out about a day before the deadline. I saw protective services and immediately signed up after seeing fingerprinting being a part of what they do, as I knew from a young age I was doing crime scene investigation”, stated Kailey.

At Mid Valley, she is in Leo Club, PBIS, Aevidum, and Outdoor Adventure Club. She is also excelling in the traditional classroom with the classes she is currently taking. Anatomy and Physiology, which is a 102, and Academic Trigonometry with a 97. Honors English with a 94 and Economics with a 100.

Upon graduation, Kailey plans on going to college for forensic science after graduation. She wants to be a crime scene investigator.