

Lebanon County Career and Technology Center

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SkillsUSA State Leadership Conference



2023 PA SkillsUSA State Results

STUDENT	CONTEST	HS	PROGRAM
1st place gold medalist is:			
Stephanie Merkel	Commercial Baking	Adult	Pastry Arts
2nd place silver medalists are:			
Morgan Courville	Esthetics	PA	Cosmetology
Sydnee Huffman	Esthetics	NL	Cosmetology
Cameron Weaber	Automotive Service Technology	AC	Automotive Technology
3rd place bronze medalists are:			
Landon Bixler	Industrial Motor Control	PA	Electro-Mechanical Technology
Daykiece Sheppard	Job Skill Demonstration Open	CL	Dental Assistant



Stephanie Merkel



Cameron Weaber, Sydnee Huffman,
and Morgan Courville



Daykiece Sheppard & Landon Bixler

The gold medalist will advance to the 2023 SkillsUSA National Championships.

The CTC congratulates all of the competitors and wishes them well at Nationals!

2023 PA SkillsUSA State Competitors



Way to Go



Students from Pastry Arts Participated in an Event

On Saturday, April 15, 2023, Chef Peffley along with three pastry students (Stephanie Merkel, Adult, Kaylee Groseclose, CL, Valeria Morales, CL) served food prepared by ACF Harrisburg and presented a pastry demo on cake decorating at the PR&LA's PA FLAVOR "A Celebration of Food" event. This fundraiser raises money for the ACF Harrisburg scholarship fund.



Advocacy Day at the State Capitol

April 25, 2023 was Advocacy Day for Career and Technical Education at the Pennsylvania Capitol Building. Ms. Groller-Acting Director, Mrs. Barrett-English teacher, Mr. Hartman-Math teacher, Mrs. Ruth Ann Schlegel-JOC President, Josh Maull-Landscape and Horticulture student, Cameron Weaber-Automotive student, Sydnee Huffman-Cosmetology student, Haley Lewis-Precision Machining student, Emily Miller-Electromechanical student, and Cheyenne Haldeman-Health Careers student met with PA State Representatives John Schlegel and Russ Diamond at the office of Senator Chris Gebhard to discuss the importance of career and technical education in our community.

The students set up a table and displayed projects and information about the Lebanon County Career and Technology Center. We are so impressed and amazed by our students and the professionalism they display in the community. It was a great day in CTE!



Rep. John Schlegel



Rep. Russ Diamond



On behalf of Senator Chris Gebhard



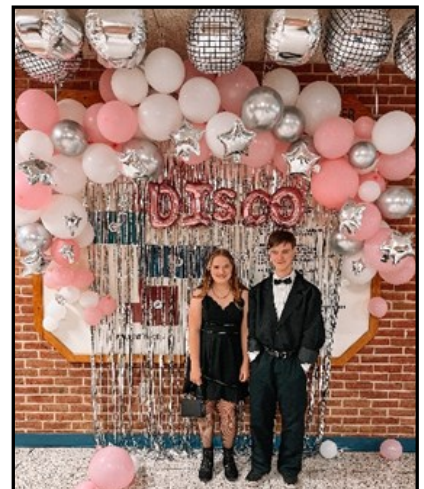
Pictured left to right:
Josh Maull-Landscape and Horticulture, EL
Emily Miller-Electromechanical, EL
Cameron Weaber-Automotive, AC
Sydnee Huffman-Cosmetology, NL
Cheyenne Haldeman-Health Careers, NL
Haley Lewis-Precision Machining, CL



CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

CTC's First Prom

On Friday, April 28, 2023, the CTC held its first ever Prom! With close to 50 attendees, it was a great first year. The event was planned by our SkillsUSA council with help from advisors and our other CTC Career and Technical Student Organizations. There was a little something for everyone to enjoy: music and dancing, cornhole and spike ball, and board games and snacks. Our students had a blast getting dressed up and spending some time with their friends. Everyone looked amazing and we can't wait to see what next year brings!



Practical Nursing Program's Field Trip

On April 5, 2023, the day and evening students of the Practical Nursing program participated in their annual field trip to the Mütter Museum in Philadelphia. The museum provides a great educational opportunity for our students. The displays allow the students a visual of some of the concepts they have been taught throughout their educational journey. If you have any interest in the medical field, this museum is a must-see. It is located in Philadelphia; a short walk from the train station.

THE MÜTTER MUSEUM *of The College of Physicians of Philadelphia*



Educational Insights - Transition

We have made it to that time of the school year; flowers are blooming, days are getting longer, and seniors across the country are getting ready to embrace the next step on their life journey! For years our children have been asked the question, "What are you going to do when you grow up?" It is time to transition!

Some of our young adults will enter the workforce directly, some will attend college, and others will forge their own direction. Regardless of their plan, young adults need to know how to advocate for themselves (previously addressed in our February newsletter). Young adults with disabilities should know they still have a right to "reasonable" accommodations for disabilities outside of high school, but it looks different. No one will be following them to offer support.

Here are some tips to support your young adult:

1. Be sure they understand their disability, how it affects them, and what helps them be successful. They may be able to self-monitor and apply learned strategies to help themselves.
2. Teach them how and when to disclose information about their disability. For example, if an accommodation is needed to help them participate in an interview, it should be requested beforehand. If they are offered a job, accommodations should be discussed before starting so they don't do poorly or get fired. If their job changes, they should know the appropriate person with whom to discuss their disability.
3. They must ask employers or colleges for accommodations. An IEP, 504, or school evaluation can be used to receive accommodations after graduation. These documents show their needs and what has worked in the past. If you need more ideas, check out this website: <https://askjan.org/a-to-z.cfm>

Best wishes to everyone making their transition from high school!

submitted by Janet Garchinsky, Ed.D.

Medical Assistant Clinical Rotations and Internships – Ms. Petruska

We would like to congratulate the following students on a job well done as they completed their internships and hands on clinical rotations at various facilities. The following students were all interns through the Wellspan Health Family and Specialty Offices.

Danika Rohr-EL, Aubrey Loudon-EL, and Javier Quinones-NL



The following students were also Wellspan interns. They are as follows: Nadeshka Gonzalez-Mercado-LH, Natasha Goodyear-NL, and Mya Betz-AC.



Medical Assistant Clinical Rotations and Internships – Ms. Petruska

The following students completed their clinicals at our local schools. They are as follows: Kate-Lynn Johnson-PA (Palmyra Elementary Schools), Damaris Canales-LH (LFHS), Phoebe Watson-CL (LCCTC).



We would like to thank all the facilities, providers, staff and anyone who assisted with the continuing education of our students.

Our students cannot succeed without you!

Annual Art Show

Commercial Art



1st Place
Makayla Gomez-
Kelly, PA



2nd Place
Aunikah Compton, PA



3rd Place
Brayan Diaz Castro, LH





Commercial Art Projects



Media Communications



1st Place

Andrew Blouch, AC



2nd Place

Elise Hoke, PA



Germain Melendez-Rodriguez, Andrew Blouch, Elise Hoke



3rd Place

Germain Melendez-Rodriguez, LH



Culinary and Pastry Arts

The annual Art show was held on May 4, 2023. All Culinary and Pastry students created an eating establishment in English class. They presented their ideas to a panel of judges. They were also evaluated on the portfolios they built throughout the year, as well as their restaurant binders. These final items were averaged to give the students an end of the year "Capstone" project which was averaged into their final grade. Pictured are the students that were able to attain a first place/A grade on their final projects.



Pictured left to right (standing):
 Brooke Shutter-Pastry-CL
 Kaya Camasta-Pastry-CL
 Michael Smith-Culinary-PA
 Rose Gonzalez-Culinary-LH
 Faith Riddick-Pastry-LH
 Paige Smith-Pastry-LH
 Alexis Shirk-Culinary-NL
 Emme Fischer-Pastry-PA
 Desiree Santiago-Pastry-NL
 Left to right (kneeling):
 Valeria Morales-Pastry-CL
 Stephanie Merkel-Pastry-Adult
 Kaylee Groseclose-Pastry-CL



Rotary Students-of-the-Month May 2023



**Rose Gonzalez, LH,
Culinary Arts**

Rose Gonzalez is the granddaughter of Michael Sr. and Myra Kitchen and niece of Michael Jr. and Sarah Kitchen, Lebanon, PA. Rose is a senior at Lebanon High School and is enrolled in the Culinary Arts program at the Lebanon County Career and Technology Center.

Rose is a member of

the National Technical Honor Society and the student organization, SkillsUSA at CTC. She earned a silver medal at the SkillsUSA district competition. She participates on the varsity field hockey team at her high school. Outside of school, Rose assists her grandmother with many different events at their church. She works part-time at Weis Markets.

After graduation, Rose plans to participate in the apprenticeship program at The Nemacolin Resort and attend Westmoreland Community College. Her career goal is to become an Executive Chef.



**Brian Hill, NL,
Electromechanical Tech.**

Brian Hill is the son of Gail Hill, Lebanon, PA. Brian is a senior at Northern Lebanon High School and is enrolled in the Electromechanical Technology program at Lebanon County Career and Technology Center.

Brian is a member of the student organization, SkillsUSA and received a

silver medal at the State competition last year and a bronze medal at the District competition this year. Outside of school, he works part-time at BHM Farm Equipment.

After graduation, Brian plans to attend the Pittsburgh Institute of Aeronautics to receive Airframe and Powerplant certification. His career goal is to become an Aircraft Maintenance Technician with a local airline.



Lebanon County Educational Honor Society

Lebanon County Educational Honor Society members gathered to attend the annual banquet honoring educators, scholarship winners and educator of the year. During the banquet, new members were inducted into the organization. Members that were inducted this year included Rene Gehman, 2023-24 inductee. The organization has about 1,000 members who are educators from Lebanon County. To be eligible for membership, educators need to have taught for 10 years in a Lebanon County School. Congratulations to Rene!



Past honorees supporting Rene Gehman, Medical Assistant Instructor, who is a newly inducted member. Unfortunately, she is missing from the photo due to a planned trip.

congratulations