



# Dauphin County Technical School

April 2017

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## SKILLSUSA STATE COMPETITORS

Congratulations to the following 15 students who competed at SkillsUSA States Competition in Hershey, April 19-21. These students competed at District competitions in January and placed first and earned the right to compete at the State level. Those students who placed first at States have the opportunity to compete at Nationals in Kentucky in June.

**Thomas Barner**, Masonry, was part of the Team Works Team. His interests outside of school are working out, working, gaming, sleeping, fishing, hunting, and trapping. Thomas was looking forward to meeting new people and to prepare for his competition he worked on an older skills project. His good luck routine was "Eat, Sleep, Conquer, and repeat"!

**Jade Bell**, Commercial Art, participated in the Advertising competition. Jade's interests outside of school are Photography, hiking, and trying new things/experiences. She was looking forward to competing with all the other students that made it to States. To

prepare for the competition, Jade was completing different design projects in her program to build on the design areas that she needed to improve.

**Jessica Crone**, Criminal Justice/Police Science, was part of the Crime Scene Investigation Team. Her interests outside of school are spending time with her dog and sports. She was looking forward to staying at the lodge with her team and talking and meeting other teams. To prepare for the competition, Jessica looked back on old notes, read textbooks, and watched crime shows. For a "good luck charm," Jessica planned on having her ring with her and having some coffee before the competition.

**Kenneth Diehl**, Web Development & Design, participated in the Web Development competition. When not in school, Ken enjoys Photography. Ken was looking forward to "getting to compete and see how our skills stack up against other schools." Ken prepared for his competition by reading articles on design and finding different ways to style elements as well as build his JavaScript skills. His good like charm was a friend of his sending him pictures of his cat.

**Dominique Ertter**, Criminal Justice/Police Science, was part of the Crime Scene Investigation Team. Outside of school, she enjoys cheerleading, buying make-up, and cuddling with her cat, Bella. Dominique was looking forward to competing and "hopefully winning", but most of all just getting to spend the whole competition with her two best friends. To prepare for the competition, she refreshed her crime scene skills and her good luck charm was a big cup of coffee.

**Nathan Foster**, Web Development & Design, participated in the Web Design competition. Nathan was looking forward testing his skills with his friend Ken in the competition. To prepare for the competition, he experimented with different things on websites every day in shop and expanded his knowledge every day. He and Ken created websites for practice. Nathan received pictures of his friend's cat for good luck.

**Essence Frazier**, Criminal Justice/Police Science, was part of the Crime Scene Investigation Team. Essence enjoys being in the marching band, listening to music, and debating with others. She was looking forward to hopefully winning 1st place and meeting new

people from all over the State. To prepare for the competition, Essence refreshed her knowledge about crime scene investigation. For her good luck routine, she said a prayer and watched her favorite crime show (Deadly Women).

**Raquel-Anna Garcia**, Information System Technology, participated in the Telecommunication Cabling competition. Raquel's interests outside of school are sleeping and listening to music. She was looking forward to competing against other schools to see who has the best skills in the State. To prepare for the competition, she practiced wiring whenever she had a chance.

**Drew Hobbs**, Building Construction Technology, was part of the Team Works Team. Outside of school, Drew enjoys hunting, fishing, and working. He was looking forward to working until he could not work anymore and sleeping. To prepare for the competition, Drew practiced on his skills that he needed to improve.

**Damon Johnson**, Precision Machining Technology, participated in the Precision Machining competition. His

interests outside of school are hunting, tractor pulling, and working on projects. Damon was looking forward to the experience of States and the chance of winning. To prepare for his competition, Damon practiced in the areas of machining that he hasn't done before. His good luck routine was to remind himself to not get cocky.

**James McCollum**, Electrical Construction & Maintenance, was part of the Team Works Team. His interests outside of school are painting and working out. James looked forward to having fun and working together. To prepare for the competition, James practiced and got a lot of sleep.

**Colton Reider**, Automotive Technology, participated in the Automotive Technology competition. Outside of school, Colton enjoys playing lacrosse, building cars, and riding BMX. Colton was looking forward to the scholarship opportunities and the experience at States. To prepare for his competition, Colton worked in an automotive garage to gain experience and knowledge. Colton's good luck routine was to drive his truck every time he had a competition.

**Amanda Smith**, Medical Assistant, participated in the CPR/First Aid competition. Outside of school, Amanda is a volunteer at her area fire company. She was looking forward "to meeting new people in my state with the same interests as me." To prepare for competition, Amanda practiced her skills in an EMT class. She felt her "good luck charm" was passing her EMT course in March.

**Rykert Trimm**, Building Construction Technology, was part of the Team Works Team. Outside of school, Rykert enjoys playing video games. Rykert looked forward to attending The Hershey Lodge. To prepare for the competition, he practiced on older skills projects.

**Larry Vega**, Electronics Technology, participated in the Electronics Technology competition. When not in school, Larry competes with the Robotics team, enjoys reading, and watching TV. He was looking forward to competing and meeting new people. To prepare for his competition, he was doing a lot of studying and his good luck charm was his lucky necklace.



**DCTS State SKILLSUSA winners. These four students will be attending the National Competition in Louisville, Kentucky on June 19-23.**

**Pictured:** From left to right, Jade Bell (Graphic Communications), Raquel-Anna Garcia (Telecommunications Cabling), Nathan Foster (Web Design), and Kenneth Diehl (Web Design).

## Students of the Month

### 9<sup>th</sup> Grade – Jesus Cadillo Linan, Advanced Manufacturing Academy

Jesus' home school is Harrisburg. He enjoys reading, watching TV, and listening to music. Jesus is a member of the ESL club, helps take care of dogs, and donates clothing and household items to those in need. His future plan is to become a civil engineer.

### 10<sup>th</sup> Grade – Brittany Padua, Cosmetology

Brittany's home school is Harrisburg. She enjoys singing, writing, theatre, and doing makeup. Brittany is a member of the DCTS Theatre Makeup club. Her future plans are to work in a salon and make movies.

### 11<sup>th</sup> Grade – Juan Ortiz, Carpentry

Juan's home school is Harrisburg. He is a member of the Capital Area Rental Property Owners Association and Susquehanna Area Woodworkers. Juan volunteers his time to restore the St. Francis Church. His future plan is to be a real estate agent, investor, and entrepreneur.

### 12<sup>th</sup> Grade – Aaron Grubb, Diesel Technology

Aaron's home school is Lower Dauphin. He enjoys drag racing and working on vehicles. Aaron's future plan is to work with cars and trucks.

### Rotary – Macy Souders, Graphic Arts

Macy's home school is Steelton-Highspire. She enjoys band, reading, star gazing, and designing on Illustrator. Macy is a member of the Steelton-Highspire Marching Band, National Honor Society, Freshmen Mentoring Program, and Musical Tech Crew. She volunteers at the Highspire Borough Building. Macy's future plan is to obtain a Bachelor's Degree in Graphic Communications from Millersville University.

### Reader – Aaron Tutko, Construction Academy

Aaron's home school is Susquehanna Township. His favorite books are *Scars*, *Crank*, *Love Letters to the Dead*, *Stained*, and *My Thirteenth Winter*. Aaron's favorite genre is Teen Fiction and Real World Situations. His favorite author is Cheryl Rainfield and recommends *Scars*, *Crank*, and *Stained*.



## SkillsUSA State Officer Candidate

**Caitlin Lambert**, a junior in Criminal Justice/Police Science, was selected to run for a State officer position for SkillsUSA. The election was held at the State Conference at The Hershey Lodge. Caitlin is currently the President of the SkillsUSA Chapter at DCTS and served as Vice President at the Leadership Conference in November 2016 at Gettysburg. She was interested in being a State Officer because she "wants to be part of a team that makes a difference for many students." Caitlin says that SkillsUSA has been a big part of her academic success for the past year and has motivated her to do better in school and stay focused. Unfortunately, Caitlyn did not win the election; however, we are extremely proud of her!



**Tyler Kauffman**, a sophomore in Criminal Justice/Police Science, was Caitlin's campaign manager for State Officer. He is currently the Secretary of the SkillsUSA Chapter at DCTS. As Caitlin's campaign manager, his role was to campaign against other delegates for state office at the State conference. Since he was a head delegate, Tyler learned the ropes of what he needs to do next year when he runs for state officer.



## National Technical Honor Society

Thirty-two students were inducted into the NTHS on April 26.

**Seniors:** Justin Hinkle, Madelynn Moyer, Journey Needham, Aindra Shuller, and Brayden Wegiel

**Juniors:** Jade Bell, Christyan Carter, Melanie Chandler, Chanel Dingle, Tyrelle Gallatin, Raquel-Anna Garcia, Alicea Hernandez-Carpenter, Bryan Hoover, Ciara Jackson, Ashlyn Kleinfelter, Catherine Leonard, Aundrea McIntyre, Joshua Mixon, Nathan Murray, Jaydin Nies, Alexis Noon, Cheyenne Pearson, Ashley Pottiger, Arrietta Putman, Carina Rivera-Rodriguez, Cheyenne Ryan, Abraham Sandoval, Inez Toro, Truong Tran, Danielle Watkins, Trajan Wilkerson, and Amaya Wilson



## Inspirational Speakers

On March 31, DCTS welcomed Hilda Mantelmacher to speak to our students about her experiences in the Nazi concentration camps. Ms. Mantelmacher is a native of the former Czechoslovakia and a survivor of Auschwitz and Bergen-Belsen camps. She told our students her story and held a question and answer session, so the students could ask her about her experience in the camps and life after the camps.



On April 24, DCTS welcomed Beth Ann Telford to speak with our Four Diamonds Mini-THON® student leaders. Ms. Telford has completed the World Marathon Challenge. During this endurance feat, she completed 7 marathons in 7 days on 7 Continents. She is an inspiration and completed this major athletic accomplishment while still receiving treatment for brain cancer.



## Thank You - Blood Drive

The Health Careers Program hosted a Blood Drive on March 21 for the Central Pennsylvania Blood Bank. Staff and students donated 39 pints of blood.



## Genuine Acts of Kindness

On April 24th 2017, nine students were recognized with a certificate by DCTS Administration for their Genuine Acts of Kindness, an initiative implemented to reward students for demonstrating an act of kindness which is more than just doing the right thing. The initiative highlights the importance of treating one another and property with respect and to let students know that their acts of kindness do not go unnoticed. Pictured are: Dannielle Ashman, Shane Blosser, Noah King, Rafiq London, Angel Narvaez, James Neubaum, Devon White, and Holden Wicklem.



# Announcements

## PARENT TECHNOLOGY NIGHTS

The One-to-One laptop program is here! Come to one of the parent information nights on May 16 or May 18 at 7:00 p.m. Light refreshments will be served.

**RSVP by to reserve a spot by visiting this link: <https://tinyurl.com/kdypmlp>**

## CONGRATULATIONS

Vicki Brenneman, Para Educator, and Robert Brightbill, Building Construction Technology Instructor, were honored by the Dauphin County Chapter of the Pennsylvania Association of School Retirees. They are the recipients of the PASR Educational Support Committee's Laretta Woodson Award, honoring and recognizing them for doing an outstanding job within our school in support of students. Dr. Gail Bishop presented Vicki and Bob with a PASR certificate, a PASR pin, and a monetary award.

## KEYSTONE TESTING DATES

Biology – May 16 & 17

Literature – May 18 & 19

Algebra – May 23 & 24

## AFTER SCHOOL TUTORING

Need a little extra help on homework, projects, or studying? DCTS offers after school tutoring on Monday's and Thursday's from 3:10 p.m. -4:10 p.m. in the School Library.

## CEAD – CREATIVE EXPRESSIONS AT DCTS

Creative Expressions at DCTS will be hosting an Open-Mic Night. Want to play an instrument? No Problem! Want to try reading that poem you wrote? No Problem! You just need to come and experience the fun! Join in, sing along, try something new – just show up!

Culinary Dining Room from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on May 19.

## DCTS ADULT AND CONTINUING EDUCATION COURSES

The Adult and Continuing Education Program at DCTS offered its first part-time evening CNA program this year. The Nurse Aide Training, Competency and Evaluation program is approved by the Pennsylvania Department of Education and leads to the Certified Nurse Aide designation (CNA).

During the 2017/18 academic year, the evening CNA program will be offered three different times: September – December; January – March; and April – June.

The Veterinary Assistant program will begin on August 29 and run through June 7, 2018. This is a 300 hour part-time evening program designed to prepare adults for a career as a Veterinary Assistant. Program completion enables one to work in a team environment with large and small animals, assisting with laboratory procedures, animal nursing procedures, as well as surgical preparation. Upon successful completion, the Pennsylvania Veterinary Medical Association issues a certificate of achievement.

Call Barb Maroney, Adult and Continuing Education Coordinator, at (717) 652-3170 x7437 or visit [www.dcts.org](http://www.dcts.org) under Adult Education.

## DCTS ALUMNI

DCTS is seeking alumni. Please register on the Alumni Page on the DCTS website, [www.dcts.org](http://www.dcts.org). Click on "Community", then "Alumni". This webpage is the start of creating an Official DCTS Alumni Chapter and Class Reunions.



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