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MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Hello CTC Parents, Students and Staff:

Many of our students continue to demonstrate that they are community contributors and have been volunteering their time and talents for the good of others. Kudos to our SHOP and CARE clubs who collectively organized a successful Winter Items Drive to help those in need this holiday season by donating coats, hats, gloves, scarves, socks and non-perishable food items.

Our school would like to congratulate the 144 students who were recently inducted into our Celeste Carroll chapter of the National Technical Honor Society (NTHS) in December. NTHS believes that outstanding student effort and achievement should be rewarded and encouraged while seeking to cultivate the ideals of scholastic achievement, service and leadership.

Our school would also like to congratulate the 564 students who recently competed in the local SkillsUSA competitions held at CTC last month. Students competed in twenty-five (25) separate competitions against their peers; showcasing the skills they have attained in their respective technical programs. Students placing first (Gold), second (Silver) and third (Bronze) in the local competitions are eligible to compete at the next level. That next level, the SkillsUSA Regional competition, is scheduled to take place in February.

The next two months are a very important time for our students academically as the current semester ends on January 10th. Our teachers are providing bell-to-bell instruction as we accelerate the learning process to ensure that students master their current program curriculum before moving on to the second semester. Parents are encouraged to continue to monitor their child's progress and contact teachers if there is a concern. Parents can also monitor grades via Schoology, our online grade reporting service.

Finally, as we fully enter the winter season, I want to express my own gratitude for the important business and industry partnerships that CTC has established over the last few decades. Through these unique partnerships, teachers are inspired to develop new techniques, and gain experiences to draw upon and incorporate into their instruction. Students also learn that the community cares about education and about their academic and career success.

Sincerely,

Michael Concepcion - Principal

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Good To Know

ATTENTION CURRENT CTC SENIORS!

The CTC 2022-2023 online scholarship application is **NOW** available!

Scholarships are open to all CTC seniors who have previously completed their CTC program **OR** are currently attending CTC. Multiple scholarships are available!

Final Deadline to Apply: Tuesday, January 3 1st at 2:00 p.m.

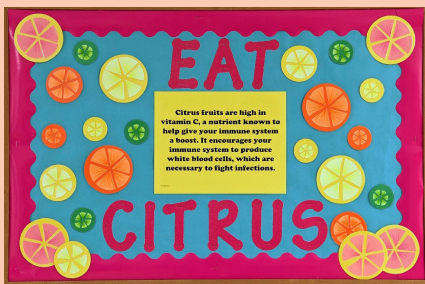
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STUDENTS ENJOY CALMING JAR ACTIVITY

As part of CTC's social emotional learning and wellness activities, students gathered to make calming jars. Criminal Justice student, Perlita Santana, saw the need for a therapeutic activity and made it happen! On, November 22, CTC students gathered together to make "Calming Glitter Jars." The Calming Glitter Jar **works as a visual anchor that can help soothe individuals through big emotions, anxiety, and mindfulness.** Focusing your attention can help you gradually disconnect from what caused you to be angry, sad, or even agitated. Watching the slow decent of glitter can also help calm breathing and racing thoughts. Whether made as a gift or for ourselves, I think we all had fun!



HAVE YOU HAD YOUR CITRUS TODAY?

Check out our new health and wellness nutrition bulletin board, highlighting citrus fruit. The vitamin C in citrus fruit will boost your immune system and help you fight infection. Eat citrus fruit consistently during cold and flu season **BEFORE** you get sick or have symptoms. Portable easy to peel mandarin oranges are one easy way to get your vitamin C. Have a happy and healthy new year!



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CTC COLLECTS DONATIONS TO HELP THOSE IN NEED



Our CTC community collectively donated 14 boxes of cold weather items, clothes, hygiene items, and food to the cold weather shelter and [Student Homelessness Initiative Partnership](#) (SHIP).

Ms. Marcum's biomed class collected the most items; however, **ALL** items and amounts collected are appreciated.

THANK YOU to all who participated and encouraged students to donate to those in need!



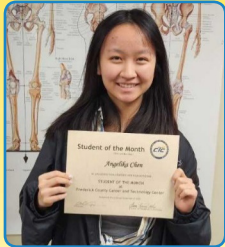
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Students Of The Month

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OCTOBER



Angelika Chen
Physical Rehab



Shenali DeSilva
BioMed



Garrett Mothershead
TV/Multimedia



Grace Parks
AoHP



Neydy Membreno Paz
Digital Design/Print
Methods



Scott Saul
Exploratory Elective



Alyssa Sipes
AoHP



Joseph Spilis
TV/Multimedia

NOVEMBER



Claire DeLauter
AoHP



Aryaman Kantawala
TV/Multimedia



Jenna Lakin
AoHP



Caitlyn Nichols
Cosmetology II



Arabella Rand
Physical Rehab



Ericka Lopez Romero
Cosmetology II



Samuel Solano
Digital Design/Print
Methods



Ava Thompson
Teacher Academy

DECEMBER



Mason Barr
Auto Tech



Gray Drennan
Auto Tech



Megan Fletcher
Ag Business



Avery Marth
AoHP



Melisa Marin
Rodriguez
Welding



Alexandra St. Juste
Digital Design/Print
Methods



Reilly Teague
Physical Rehab



Johana Benitez
Umana
Landscaping

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Congratulations

SKILLSUSA LOCALS 2022 COMPETITION RECOGNITION

In December, students across 18 programs competed in 25 career-related SkillsUSA Local competitions that challenged students to put into action technical skills learned in their program. Students were celebrated with an awards ceremony on December 9 at the JBK Theater at Frederick Community College where the top 5 finishers in each competition were revealed. In most instances, top 3 finishers in each contest are eligible to move on to the Regional contest and possibly beyond where they compete with other technical students from around the state. Please congratulate all winners on this tremendous accomplishment!

Autobody Repair

Contest: Collision Repair Technology

- 1st – Cole Walker
- 2nd – Kevin Bowman
- 3rd – Ronan Leach
- 4th – Deondre Febus
- 5th – Xavier Holt

Automotive Technology

Contest: Automotive Maintenance & Light Repair

- 1st – Gray Drennan
- 2nd – Nick Pusey
- 3rd – Charles Shell
- 4th – Wyatt Weinrich
- 5th – Mason Barr

Automotive Technology

Contest: Automotive Service Technology

- 1st – Damon Catlin
- 2nd – Jeremiah Manahan
- 3rd – Kyle Malone
- 4th – Julian Zelaya
- 5th – Ryan Baldwin

Baking & Pastry

Contest: Baking & Pastry Arts

- 1st – Ysabella Marin
- 2nd – Amanda Saldivar Reyes
- 3rd – Ashton Tablada Guifarro
- 4th – Emily Llerena
- 5th – Anna Castro

CAD Architecture

Contest: Architectural Drafting

- 1st – Bradley Keriakos
- 2nd – Ellie Stevens
- 3rd – Sabrina Farrell
- 4th – Cameron Latch
- 5th – Sanai Helms

CAD Engineering

Contest: Technical Drafting

- 1st – Connor Sloan
- 2nd – Michael Umana
- 3rd – Caden Keyser
- 4th – Shirsho Banerjee
- 5th – Haden Pulido

Carpentry

Contest: Carpentry

- 1st – Paul Ireland
- 2nd – Matthew Piedramartel
- 3rd – Beckett Taylor
- 4th – Grant Hinsvark
- 5th – Corey Doody

Cisco

Contest: Internetworking

- 1st – Matthew Singleton
- 2nd – Carter Niper
- 3rd – Gavin Leeson
- 4th – Reese Kaufhold
- 5th – Travis Frank

Cisco/Security +

Contest: Cyber Security

- 1st – Nick Moura
- 2nd – Yazlin Moujalied
- 3rd – Ethan Laflotte
- 4th – Bradley Rice
- 5th – Ryan Walton

Computer Technician/Analyst

Contest: Information Technology

- 1st – Chloe Wood
- 2nd – Owen Whitmore
- 3rd – Tommy Lee
- 4th – Victor Pan
- 5th – Alejandro Clerch

Construction Electricity

Contest: Electrical Construction

- 1st – Celrin Pena
- 2nd – Jodnas Veimer
- 3rd – Benjamin Mullenex
- 4th – Isaac Herbert
- 5th – Ethan Graves

Cosmetology

Contest: Cosmetology

- 1st – Mariana Ramirez Niza
- 2nd – Katlyn Weltz

Cosmetology

Contest: Esthetics

- 1st – Caitlyn Nichols
- 2nd – Olivia Ramsey
- 3rd – Ella Towson
- 4th – Autumn Millison
- 5th – Brandillynne Campanile

Cosmetology

Contest: Nail Care

- 1st – Skyler Smith
- 2nd – Katrina Harris
- 3rd – Angela Melara Alonso

Culinary Arts

Contest: Culinary Arts

- 1st – Doug Brown
- 2nd – Ben Pearch
- 3rd – Ella Bogt
- 4th – Adon Briggs

Digital Design/Printing Methods

Contest: Advertising Design

- 1st – Calvin Bowman
- 2nd – Jamie Martinez
- 3rd – Neydy Membreno Paz
- 4th – Hector Hernandez
- 5th – Emilay DaSilva

Digital Design/Printing Methods

Contest: Photography

- 1st – Vivian Renkey
- 2nd – Jamie Martinez
- 3rd – Hanna Matheus
- 4th – Joe Spilis
- 5th – Alexandra St. Juste

Homeland Security/

Criminal Justice

Contest: Crime Scene

Investigation

- 1st – Sarah Guillen, Sarah Vendemia, and Lilly Violette
- 2nd – Angela DeLaCruz, Jade Elizalde, and Anthony Flores
- 3rd – Daniella Degbe, Brielle Martinez, and Cindy Padilla
- 4th – Hannah Bonfils, Ava Hainline, and Savannah Vadden
- 5th – Ashlyn Gussio, Madysen Gussio, and Mary Kolb

Homeland Security/

Criminal Justice

Contest: Criminal Justice

- 1st – Aniya Irvin
- 2nd – Camron Vachon
- 3rd – Gabriella Stefanic
- 4th – Logan Ezerski
- 5th – Landen Hutson

HVACR/Plumbing

Contest: Plumbing

- 1st – Riley Harris
- 2nd – Garrett Heard
- 3rd – Sam Harriger
- 4th – Matthew Uttermahlen
- 5th – Michael Lipchock

HVACR/Plumbing

Contest: Sheet Metal

- 1st – Kaden Atallah
- 2nd – Declan Brennan
- 3rd – Christopher Gallagher
- 4th – Conner Langston
- 5th – Justin Funes
- 6th – Cam Brown

TV/Multimedia

Contest: Digital Cinema Production

- 1st – Hanna Koonze and Grace Philips
- 2nd – Nnaji Akwada and Aryaman Kantawala
- 3rd – Liam Hoheusle and Ethan Putnam
- 4th – Jennifer Porter and Canton Wetzel
- 5th – Trina Cheng and Jayleen Santos

TV/Multimedia

Contest: Television Video Production

- 1st – Christina Lomax and Zoie Sullivan
- 2nd – Zoe Cole and Jennifer Porter
- 3rd – Zachery Koehler and Ryan McNee
- 4th – Liam Hoheusle and Ethan Putnam
- 5th – Trina Cheng and Jayleen Santos

Web Technologies/ Integrated Media

Contest: Web Design & Development

- 1st – Zeki Cervantes and Timothy VanDuzer
- 2nd – Ariel Araya Madrigal and Erick Mendez
- 3rd – Ezequiel Jarquin Obando and Brandon Simmons
- 4th – Chase Hawkins and Reginald Ononiba
- 5th – Tiara Harvey

Welding/Agricultural Metals Technology

Contest: Welding

- 1st – Jacob White
- 2nd – Zackery Long
- 3rd – Mark Lewis
- 4th – Jameson Little
- 5th – Collin Beam



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Colbie Gnsuschke
Nawar Hadid
Stella Humphrey
Claire DeLauter
Janna Elzaiait
Rileigh Ensor
Samantha Gregorio
Hailey Jackson
Evangeline Johnson
Anna Karazulas
Chelsea Kom
Jenna Lakin
Lindsey Nash
Gabriella Nelson
Trinity-William Ntemi
Kosisochukwu (Kosi) Ononiba
Richelle Otoo
Grace Parks
Andreea Pepenel
Isabella Rogers
Dianna Solis
Ashley Stewart
Alivia Wachtel

AGRIBUSINESS & ENTREPRENEURSHIP

Natalia Alvarado
Megan Fletcher

AUTOMOTIVE SERVICE TECHNOLOGY

Andrew Bickle
David Cadenas Quintanilla
Gray Drennan
Ksheshan Hettiarachchi

BIOMEDICAL SCIENCE

Lilian Berrios
Jack Brandenburg
Shannon Clarkson
Liam Clemons
Elliot Griffiths
Amanda Laryea
Morgan McKay

Dillen Owusu
Suttida Patamawenu
Jishnu Patel
Tan Phu Quach

CAD ARCHITECTURE

Peguille Affo
Kaden Aiello
Haily Aquino
Mishani De Silva
Sabrina Farrell
Sanai Helms
Cameron Latch
Alexyah Partyka

CAD ENGINEERING

Jack Allen
Shirsho Banerjee
Kaelyn Serio
Connor Sloan
Dominic Stultz
Michael Umana

CARPENTRY

Noah Delcid

CISCO NETWORKING ACADEMY

Carter Niper
Matthew Singleton
Theodore Darnell
Jonathan Kaufhold
Mateo Lovato Columbo

COLLISION REPAIR

Robert Walker

COMPUTER TECHNICIAN ANALYST

Samuel Adewunmi
Alejandro Clerch
Jackson Cunningham
Maddox Fisher
Emil Moujalled
Ashley Stangl
Chloe Wood

COSMETOLOGY

Brielle Simpson

CRIMINAL JUSTICE & HOMELAND SECURITY

Munira Akwada
Scarleth Argueta Sorto
Leah Arias
Karsyn Barrick
Mariana Berrios
Kendra Butler
Angela DeLaCruz
Caleb Dillman
Carl Diskin
Eva Graham
Sara Guillen
Ashlyn Gussio
Madyson Gussio
Jennifer Jeon
Aidan McGarrity
Rylynn Nalborczyk
Beze Nkemanjong
Guadalupe Peralta Orellano
Sophia Prevett
Sierra Snow
Cameron Vachon
Benjamin Lubanga

CULINARY ARTS

Dakota DeMarco
Jeffrey Lucio-Velasquez
Ysabella Marin
Hayden Williams
Sara Rawley
Ella Vogt

DIGITAL DESIGN & PRINTING METHODS

Kimberly Koomson
Elian Mundo-Varley

ELECTRICITY

Shelton Davis
Leo Henson
Issac Herbert
Tobias Nitiz

HVACR/PLUMBING

Brennan Considine
Britton Wildasin

LANDSCAPE DESIGN & MANAGEMENT

Brooke Kellogg

PHYSICAL REHABILITATION

Madilyn Allen
Skai Anderson-Bayless
Kendall Artis
Hailey Beaufort
Andrew Bowser
Grant Brown
Angelika Chen
Madison Chorney
Meghan Gray
Madison Hart
Zoe Keith
Jeremy Larrick
Natalie Lebo
Samantha McDonough
Andrew Moxley
Catherine O'Driscoll
Arabella Rand
Carrington Rashaw
Reilly Ryan
Anna Swann
Reilly Teague
Ella Wirth

TEACHER ACADEMY

Ember McGill

TV/MULTIMEDIA PRODUCTION

Trina Cheng
Brady Densock
Jonathan Htut
Zachary Koehler
Hannah Koonce
Justin Maher
Eva Mason
Grace Phillips
Ethan Putnam
Vivian Renkey
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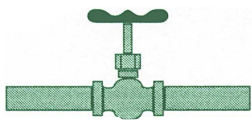


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Program Spotlight

THE TEACHER ACADEMY OF MARYLAND: INTERN PERSPECTIVE

Written by second-year student Amanda Collingham



Amanda Collingham standing by the class bulletin board "Fly Like a Butterfly" — our class philosophy



TAM interns Sofia Driver and Amanda Collingham are seated in front of the class bulletin board "Fly Like a Butterfly" — our class philosophy

Are you interested in teaching and leaving your impact? Do you want to find your "happy" and discover your passion? Want to build and be a part of a supportive, professional community of students? If so, then the Teacher Academy of Maryland, otherwise known as TAM, at the FCPS Career and Technology Center is the right program for you!

As a TAM intern, I view TAM as a family; we all collectively work together to grow and support each other. I've had the opportunity to meet many amazing people within the program and work with them to improve my teaching practice. I enjoy working with my peers to create our iconic bulletin boards, (like our "Fly Like a Butterfly" board which encompasses our program philosophy), read off our daily quotes, and, specifically, develop our group teaching lessons. We are provided with many opportunities to hear from guest speakers who are in the education profession, including teacher recruiters, FCPS equity specialists, and attorneys, and central office personnel. I have created many memories throughout this program and have met people I could rely on and grow with, both as a teacher and as an individual. Whether it was the designation of our class mascot, Ryan Reynolds, or our very first time teaching a lesson, we all had a chance to learn more about ourselves and each other to develop our own teaching styles while having fun (#HaveFunWorkHard is a class philosophy). I'm currently interning at New Market Elementary School teaching 4th grade, and everything I have learned throughout the program has helped me to prepare for this experience. I love going to my internship every day and seeing everything I have learned in class now put in action. Being able to work with my students and help them grow is what keeps me motivated to teach and drives me to be the teacher that my students need. I have learned so much and applied my knowledge to real-world experiences, which I would have never been able to do if not for the TAM program.

In summary, the Teacher Academy of Maryland is one of the best experiences I have had the privilege to be a part of. When I started this program, I had yet to decide if I wanted to be a teacher. However, over a year and a half of being in TAM, I realized that I would rather do nothing else. I discovered my passion for teaching and worked alongside like-minded people to grow as a teacher and student. Working alongside my peers and seeing how far we have come is one of the most rewarding realizations a person could have. I am no longer afraid to put myself out there and share my knowledge. I now know it is okay to be wrong and that failure is a part of growth; there will always be people by my side to support me. Teachers have a unique opportunity to make a difference in students' lives. They interact with these learners daily, helping them discover new and important facts and ideas. Teachers are directly influential in a student's life—it is why many people choose to become teachers. If you want to make a difference in someone's life, help educate the next generation of change, and leave your legacy, then the Teacher Academy of Maryland is the program for you.



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TEACHER ACADEMY OF MARYLAND



TAM Interns are featured with assistant principal Jack Newkirk after receiving their program stoles.



TAM Interns are pictured with FCPS Teacher of the Year 2019-2020 Mike Franklin, wearing the Fired-up Friday t-shirts



TAM Interns are pictured with the Go Team Therapy Dogs that visited our program



TAM students ready to welcome visitors to the CTC Open House night

January marks the time of the year when we recognize the Teacher Academy of Maryland graduates—fabulous young professionals who have completed the CTC-based year and half program that gives them a jump start on a career in education. After spending a year learning content in three courses (Teaching as a Profession, Human Growth and Development, Curriculum and Instruction), these students then spend a semester completing their student teaching in an FCPS school with a teacher-mentor in grades kindergarten through 11th grade.

As you can read in the companion article written by TAM intern Amanda Collingham, the students in this program build an incredible community of support wherein we learn together, challenge each other, and learn to “fly” onto the next educational challenge.

Pictured with this article are also a few pictures of the first-year students—fantastic students with growth-mindsets who have already co-taught lessons at Frederick Community College, networked with teacher specialists from the Cultural Proficiency Office, and built their own classroom culture of accountability and professionalism.

As we begin the new year, we want to give a sincere thank you to all of the teacher-mentors and building administrators who have welcomed our students into your schools during these past six years. Next year’s class of sixteen students will be student-teachers in the fall semester and we look forward to connecting with you soon.

If you have students interested in TAM, please have them shadow our program here at the CTC. Register on-line from the CTC website and/or see your guidance counselor to arrange a shadow appointment.



First year TAM students with teacher recruiter April Vierra



First year TAM students visit the FCC campus to co-teach a lesson



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SECOND CHANCES GARAGE APPRENTICE CEREMONY

On December 21st, Second Chances Garage and GEARWRENCH recognized two outstanding young men with deep ties to CTC. The first being Lester Gonzalez who completed his registered youth apprenticeship with Second Chances Garage during the pandemic. John Grupenhoff, service manager at Second Chances, was so impressed with Lester's abilities, he decided to offer Lester a full-time position after graduation to stay with the organization. The next to be recognized during the ceremony was current automotive service technology student, Julian Zelaya, who completed his registered youth apprenticeship this past fall, and has since began working at Frederick Subaru as an apprentice technician in the service department. Julian is the 5th CTC Auto Service Technology student to complete a youth apprenticeship at Second Chances Garage.

Second Chances Garage is exactly what it sounds like, a non-profit organization that supports our Frederick community with reliable used vehicles and low-cost service options for the at risk. They are one of the first of their kind in our area and have made a huge impact in just a few years. They take in vehicle donations, refurbish them, and provide them to community members in need. They just delivered their 300th program car and our CTC student apprentices have been a key part of that process.

GEARWRENCH has supported Second Chances Garage for years by providing the shop with tool and equipment donations as well as social media exposure. Matter of fact, they loved Second Chance's mission so much they wanted to find a way to further their support so CJ Fay and John put their heads together and agreed to start an apprentice program. GEARWRENCH provided funds to hire two apprentices from CTC's automotive service technology program and provided a custom apprentice tool set and storage cart to be awarded once they completed their required hours. Steevenson Nelson and Bret McCelvey were the first two CTC students to participate and even got some internet fame when they got to refurbish a VW with YouTube sensation, The Humble Mechanic. The program was such a hit, GEARWRENCH decided to keep it going, providing three more yearly opportunities and hopefully many more in the future!



(Left to right: CJ Fay - GEARWRENCH, Lester Gonzalez - Second Chances Garage and CTC Auto Tech class of 2021, Julian Zelaya - CTC Auto Tech class of 2023, Steevenson Nelson - DARCARS KIA and CTC Auto Tech class of 2020, Tracey Hicks CTC Auto Tech Instructor, and Joe Hall - Mentor Second Chances Garage)

VETERAN'S DAY CEREMONY

The Criminal Justice and Homeland Security program conducted a beautiful ceremony on November 11th in honor of Veteran's Day.



AGRI-BUSINESS STUDENTS GET HANDS-ON EXPERIENCE



First-year HVACR/Plumbing students partnered with the Agri-Business class to create evergreen wreaths for the holiday season.



Students in the Agri-Business program visited South Mountain Creamery ice cream and pizza in downtown Frederick. In addition to being treated to pizza and ice cream, compliments of the Frederick CTC FFA Alumni, Inc., students visited with the general manager to discuss changes from COVID, rising costs of goods, and marketing.

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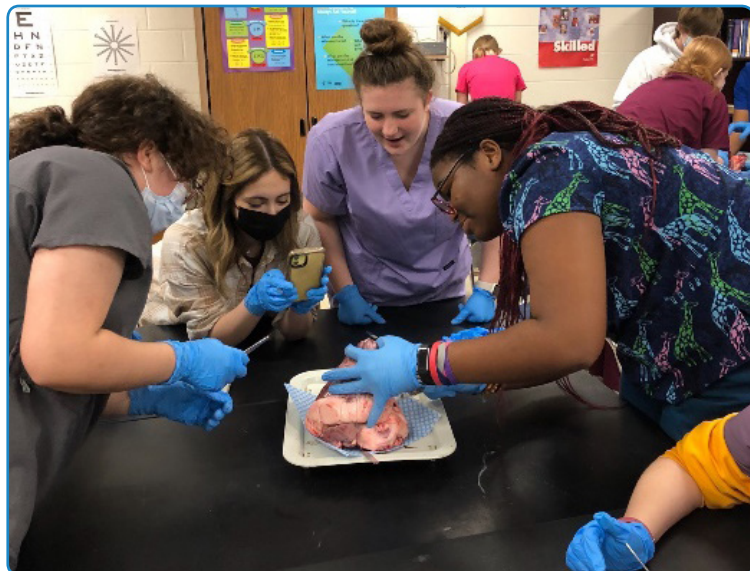
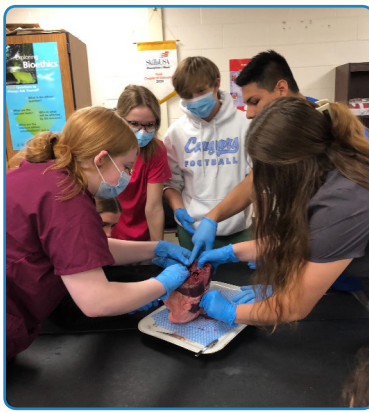
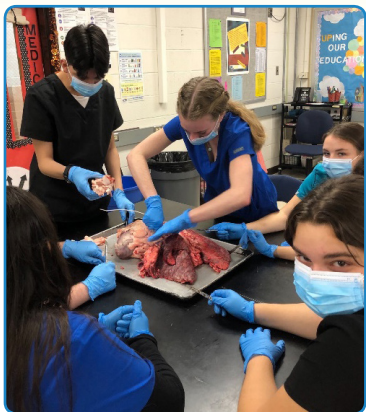
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AOHP STUDENTS DO HEART DISSECTIONS

The AoHP class got hands-on experience dissecting cow and sheep hearts during their cardiovascular unit.



WALKERSVILLE SENIOR JAMIE MARTINEZ DESIGNS NEW LOGO

Walkersville high school senior, Jamie Martinez and other students in Jason Hoffman's Digital Design and Print Methods course at the FCPS Career and Technology Center, [created logos for the women in trades \(WIT\) committee](#), a group dedicated to promoting awareness of trades education for women in Frederick County.



The WIT initiative is an offshoot of FCPS' local Career and Technology Advisory Council and Frederick Community College's partnership with local businesses and nonprofits that embrace increasing the pursuit of an education and a career in the trades for women.

During a recent meeting, the group reviewed the student-created logos and out of 25 submissions, Jamie's design was ultimately chosen after members of the committee decided it best represented the goals of WIT.

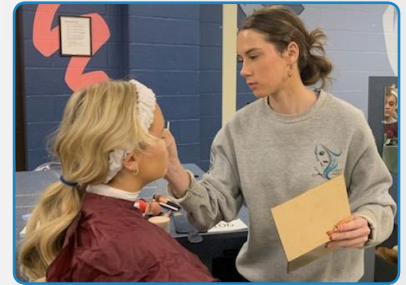


The new logo was unveiled to the public during the CTC Open House at the end of October. Around 1,200 students and parents were in attendance. Here's a look at Jamie's logo!



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COSMETOLOGY II IN THE LOCAL SKILLSUSA COMPETITIONS



CULINARY ARTS STUDENTS PLACE IN LOCAL SKILLSUSA COMPETITIONS

Four former culinary arts students served as judges for the CTC SkillsUSA local competitions. They have continuously returned to support the CTC culinary arts program.

The above-mentioned CTC alumni are as follows:

- Anthony Fink, manager at The Common Market - 2006 CTC Grad
- Zach Taulton, executive chef at Morgan's American Grill - 2010 CTC Grad
- Sara Kephart, owner & chef of Sara Kep's Kitchen - 2016 CTC Grad
- Abbie Ball, manager at Texas Road House - 2016 CTC Grad

Nine students (shown in pictures) competed in two contests, culinary arts and baking and pastry. Six will move on to the SkillsUSA regional competitions.



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