



CTE Update from Hillsdale Area Career Center 2-8-2018

Michigan HOSA Region 3 Conference:

HOSA operates as an integral component of the health science education curriculum. On Saturday, January 27, 2018, six students from the Hillsdale Area Career Center Health Sciences Program competed. Seniors Marie Hecklinger and Payton Baker along with junior Jaiden Bigelow represented Hillsdale High School. Junior Stacey Hartman from Jonesville High School, Sabrina Nolan from Pittsford High School and a senior from North Adams-Jerome (who wanted to remain anonymous) rounded out the 6-person team. The team is coached by the Health Sciences instructor, Mrs. Becky Brownlee.

The following are the results with all five team members going on to compete at the State HOSA Conference: Hecklinger (1st) and Nolan (7th) placed in the top ten “Dental Terminology School”; Hecklinger placed in the top five “Knowledge Test for Human Growth and Development School”; Baker (2nd) and Hartman (10th) placed in the top ten “Knowledge Test for Medical Law and Ethics”; Bigelow (3rd) placed in the top five “Medical Assisting School”. The sixth member of the team was instrumental in positively supporting the team while at the competition in Adrian, Michigan.

CEO Challenge-Spark

- The first part of the new Junior Achievement (JA) High School program, CEO Challenge, took place on Wednesday, January 31, 2018, at Michindoh Conference Center. This was the first part (SPARK) of a three-part initiative developing the entrepreneurial spirit and building leadership skills. Twenty-plus Hillsdale county students participated in the morning activities culminating in a luncheon presentation for supporting area businesses, industry, Hillsdale Community Foundation, and the Economic Development Partnership. Spring Arbor University graciously hosted the event.

Hillsdale Area Career Center sent a team of three young men, Logan Dunne, a junior from Hillsdale High School, Vitaliy Konyukhov, a senior from Hillsdale High School, and Gage Spratt, a senior from Jonesville High School. All three students are a part of the newest program at the career center, Cybersecurity and Digital Forensics. The three young men volunteered to take part in the SPARK event and thoroughly enjoyed all of the learning, networking and creating that took place in the morning at Michindoh.

Congressman Tim Walberg will be visiting HACC

- Congressman Walberg will have to re-schedule his visit due to weather. He was to fly in on the morning of February 9, from Washington, DC, but due to the snow, he was to cancel. Since we also canceled school, he is kind enough to reschedule. His aide said he is looking forward to visiting the Career Center because it has been 7 years since he has been in the actual HACC building.

Building/Program Updates:

- Our final Blood Drive of the school year is coming up on Friday, March 2. We hope to have higher participation this time around because there are not as many scheduled in the area.
- Mr. John Condon is “guest teaching” in the Engineering program. He is giving the students a close-up look at electricity and the part it plays in programming robots and other machines. Students also have access to a virtual programming software that simulates programming a machine in a production line.
- Health Sciences second year students have started their clinical hours at Hillsdale Hospital. Every Friday a group of 8 students go over to the hospital in the rehabilitation wings to work with mostly geriatric patients. They are truly getting to see what it is like to care for actual patients!

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