

## CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

### Board Report

APRIL 2025



### Growing All Learners to Achieve Excellence in CTE

#### CTE Update

- **Law and Public Service, Instructor – Rob Best**
  - In order to bring real world experiences into the learning environment, Practicum in Law students were able to sit in on two different cases in Judge Morin's court at the Harrison County Courthouse with Assistant District Attorney, Madison Hood presiding.
  - CTAT Area 3 members selected Mr. Best for two different awards. He was selected as one of two CTE teachers as Teacher of the Year. In addition, Mr. Best's Criminal Justice program was awarded the CTE Showcase of Excellence Award. This award is presented to CTE teachers for having a CTE program of study that is of high quality that not only meets the needs of business and industry but one of quality that prepares students with skills needed for college and career readiness
- **Kilgore College Health Science Technology Dual Credit Meeting – Jennifer Pike, Michaela Skinner and Kathy Gaw/Industry Based Certifications**
  - Health Science Team met with Kilgore College staff, Jennifer Bray, Dean of Instruction to discuss dual credit needs for the 2025-2026 school year.
  - HISD will continue with dual credit courses in Practicum in Health Science
  - Dual credit courses for Practicum in Pharmacology are not ready for the 2025-2026 school year, therefore, HISD will offer that course as high school only and will add the dual credit component in the 26-27 school year.
  - Industry Based Certification Testing – Health Science Practicum teachers and students traveled to Kilgore College on Thursday, May 8<sup>th</sup> for industry based certification testing. Twenty-eight students passed the Patient Care Technician Certification test. Five other students will test after graduation (a new certification for the 2024-2025 school year).
  - Christus staff were on the campus of HHS for an End of the Year Celebration. Christus provided breakfast for our students. In addition, Christus staff provided graduation cords to all students participating in rotations at their locations.
- **Auto Tech**
  - Instructor, David Barrett, Judy Bollom and Kathy Gaw met with our auto tech advisory council to review progress for the 25-26 school year.
  - The council approved budget purchases and instruction, however, suggested that we create an opportunity for our Practicum in Transportation students to job shadow with local dealerships prior to the end of this school year. To meet this need, job-shadowing project were scheduled for our students on May 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>.

- **Process Technology**
  - Instructor, Scott Sandvik and Kathy Gaw met with Kilgore College staff to review dual course offerings as well as instructional materials.
  - To enhance instruction and provide “real world” experiences, students were able to tour Eastman facilities and explore occupational options. To promote post-secondary readiness/higher education, students were able to tour KC facilities and interact with KC staff.
- **Education and Training Update**
  - Education and Training senior students have been fingerprinted and have completed paperwork for them to receive the Education Aide Level One Certification. Currently waiting on final approval from TEA.
  - Education and Training students hosted a Track and Field Day for Extended Family Preschool. Students worked together to develop activities for the preschool children. Great opportunity for HHS students to work together to complete assigned tasks as well as serve our community.
- **Ag/FFA Barn Concerns**
  - Ag Science team met with Matt Tucker to discuss farm maintenance concerns and finances needed to cover those concerns.
  - Team looked at each issue and developed a timeline for completion as well as to what was a FFA expense and what was a district expense.
  - Assigned team members with tasks to explore and will review our plan during budget planning with Mary Brown and FFA Booster Club.
- **Scholarship Awards Ceremony – CTE Related Scholarships**
  - Future Career and Tech Leader – Jose Juarez
  - Bubba Hatch Memorial – Whitney Sullivan
  - Charles Richardson Memorial, Harvest Scholarship – Whitney Sullivan
  - Elgin Pool Vocational Scholarship – Cortlynn Hendrix
  - Invista (Process Tech) – Jhailin Gomez and Jackson Spain
  - Eastman (Process Tech) – Jhailin Gomez and Preston Headrick
  - Keith Cotton Scholarship – Case Haney and Tucker Soules
  - Harrison County Agribusiness, San Antonio Stock Show and Rodeo and Texas State Technical College – Tucker Soules
- **CTE Personnel Update for 2025-2026 – Currently interviewing for Agricultural Science and Culinary Arts**
  - Ag Science – Interviewed four applicants and will recommend one for hiring
  - Culinary Arts – Reviewing applications and interviews/recommendation will follow.
- **Budget Meeting 2025-2026**
  - Kathy Gaw and Judy Bollom met with Mary Brown on Thursday, May 8<sup>th</sup> to review CTE expenditures for the 25-26 school year.
  - Two areas addressed as high needs due to inflation were ag mech and culinary arts.