Career and Technical Education

Directors Report

May 2018

- 1. DIISD Tech Center students competed in the 12th Annual Upper Peninsula High School CTE Skills Challenge Day at the Northern Michigan University Jacobetti Complex. Students from all over the U.P. competed and were tested using a number of simulators including professional painting, heavy equipment operation, and welding thanks to the Upper Peninsula Construction Council, the Dickinson-Iron ISD, and Systems Control of Iron Mountain. The Tech Center is proud to announce their top winners:
 - a. Advanced Welding: Sawyer Hicks 1st place
 - b. MIG Welding: Dusty LaFave 3rd place, Allen Lind 2nd place, Cole Meyer 1st place.
 - c. Stick Welding: Anthony Krans 2nd place, Noah Jacko 1st place
 - d. TIG Welding: Brandon Wilcox 3rd place
- 2. Ten students from the DIISD Technical Education Welding classes, led by instructors Andrew Paulsen and Jay Jezylo, qualified to compete in the Skills USA State of Michigan Competition in Grand Rapids, MI. Tech Center students represented the U.P. earning some of the highest awards while competing against top-notch welders across the State. Pictured are the students who earned scholarships to the Ohio Technical College:



Instructor Andrew Paulsen, Brandon Wilcox - 1st in TIG earning \$10,000, Keaton Erickson - 2nd in MIG earning \$7,500, and Cole Meyer - 3rd in MIG earning \$5,000.

3. Annual Car show is coming up. The poster was designed with a collaboration of students from the Graphics and Auto Body Classes. The Graphics Program is also hosting their annual Design Show.



- 4. Mrs. Sturm organized the first ever student competition for the Mechatronics Program. Systems Control provided writing panels, prints and supplies for students to compete in a wiring completion.
- 5. The Health Occupations Health Occupations Students of America team will be having a fundraising event at Solberg's Greenleaf Sports Bar & Grill Sunday, May 20th from 1-5 pm. Solberg's is donating a portion of their profits to HOSA and there will be many items up for auction including amazing pieces of art donated by our Welding program, gift baskets, and gift certificates