



HALLSVILLE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

Board Report
April 2026



Growing All Learners to Achieve Excellence in CTE

- **Junior High Paxton-Patterson Career Lab Update**
 - Met with a team of district personnel to discuss a plan to move forward with this project. Those attending the meeting were: Mary Brown-HISD Assistant Superintendent of Finances, Amy Whittle and Clayton Farrell. Meeting centered around to funding needs, classroom lab spaces and personnel.
 - Immediate need is locating a space for this project. Mr. Farrell is meeting with Matt Tucker to explore options.
 - After a decision is made regarding a location, we will finalize plans and present to Mr. Martin for approval.
- **Hallsville Public Safety Association State Competition Update** (Student organization aligned with the CTE Criminal Justice Program of Study – Rob Best, teacher and sponsor.)
 - This conference, showcased realistic competitions in Law Enforcement, Corrections, Forensic, Emergency Services and Law. There were 1500 registered participants from across the state participating in these events. Hallsville ISD had 14 students that advanced to state competition. Our students participated in events such as: Job Exhibition, Public Service Announcement, Closing Statements, Report Writing and Facility Design.
 - State results are as follow:
 - ✓ Madelynn Caldwell received a TPSA \$1500 Scholarship
 - ✓ The following students took second in Cell Extraction: Mia Hatfield, Paxton Suggs, Kent Phillips, Dax Sullivan, Cameron Sisk and Jacob Smith.
 - ✓ Beatriz Omura placed 3rd in Opening Statements (Law Division)
 - ✓ Other competitors were: Jacelyn Reitz, Ernie Cashion, Haley Fincher, J'ahna Felder and Fatima Guevara
- **Texas Virtual Academy of Hallsville - CTE Advisory Council Meeting**
 - On April 2nd Kathy Gaw along with Julie Smith and Marcus Walker, TVAH CTE Director participated in a virtual CTE Advisory Council meeting.
 - Topics addressed were: Programs and certifications, gaps in current offerings, alignment to workforce demands, strengthening placement and partnerships, next year's priorities, and reviewing CLNA (Comprehensive Local Needs Assessment) data.

- Information/data gathered from this meeting will be necessary to complete the HISD-CTE Comprehensive Local Needs Assessment that must be submitted to TEA prior to submitting the 2026-2027 Carl Perkins Grant.
- HISD Secondary Teacher of the Year
 - Congratulations to Matthew Mastrilli, CTE Teacher for being named Secondary Teacher of the Year.
- Skills USA Competition – Automotive Technology
 - David Barrett, Auto Tech Instructor had five auto tech students advance to state level competition which was held in Corpus Christi April 7th-April 11th.
 - Competition results have not been released at this time.
- Culinary Arts and Career and College Awareness/Readiness
 - In order to better prepare HHS culinary students for life after graduation from high school, Mallory Hammons and Angel Wooten, Culinary Arts Instructors took a group of advanced culinary arts students to SFA to meet with program leaders and tour the facilities.
 - Stephen F. Austin offers a Bachelor of Science in Hospitality Administration. Their focus is on food service management and entrepreneurship.
 - The program features a student-run Culinary Café, a 300-hour internship, courses covering culinary prep, food safety and international cuisine. In addition, for opportunities for their students to participate in an internship as well as receive industry-based certifications that will allow them to be more marketable after graduation from college.
- CTE Department Meeting – Held on Monday, April 13th during A lunch.
 - CTE teachers were provided with student class requests for the 2026-2027 school year. Teachers will review each list to ensure that students are scheduled correctly and following the correct sequence.
 - Summer professional development travel for CTE teachers (Rob Best, David Barrett, Thomas Beranek, Amber Killeen, Kourtney Lock, Sadie Myers, Michaela Skinner, Elayna Sullivan and Angel Wooten).
 - Spending Cut Off Dates for 2025-2026 (All request must be submitted to the CTE office by May 1st)
 - Budget for the 2026-2027 school year
- Budget Planning Meeting for 2026-2027 school year with Mary Brown
 - Judy Bollom, CTE Assistant and Kathy Gaw met with Mary Brown on April 15th to review and make changes in CTE budget for the 2026-2027 school year.
 - Areas to address: teacher/student travel
- Farm City Week – HISD students showed up in a powerful manner. See results provided from HHS Ag Science Teachers.
- Hallsville FFA AG Boosters - FFA Burgers and Bidding
 - Date - Saturday, April 25th
 - Location – Hallsville High School
 - Time – 6:00 PM
 - See flyer included in board report