

# Career and Technical Education

## Directors Report

**April 10, 2019**

1. Pictured below are students who competed in the state BPA competition. Eleven of the students finished in the TOP Ten of their event.



2. I was invited to speak about CTE programs, Early Middle College and Dual enrollment during the Iron Mountain 8<sup>th</sup> grade parent night on March 25<sup>th</sup>. I have also been invited by Norway-Vulcan to speak at a parent night to be scheduled later this spring.
3. Students in many programs are getting ready for competitions this spring.
  - a. Graphic Arts, Welding, and Auto Body are going to NWTC for Tech Challenge on Friday April 12<sup>th</sup>.
  - b. Loadmaster is hosting an in-house welding competition on April 18<sup>th</sup>.
  - c. BOSS Snowplow is hosting an in-house welding competition on April 25<sup>th</sup>.
  - d. April 26, 2019 Northern Michigan University is hosting the UP Construction Skills Competition that will have teams from West Iron HS and The Tech Center. In addition, that day, NMU hosts Welding and Automotive competitions.
  - e. Systems Controls is holding an in-house competition for our welding students May 3<sup>rd</sup>.
  - f. Car Show is slated for May 3<sup>rd</sup> with a May 10<sup>th</sup> rain date.
  - g. Welding students to travel to Grand Rapids April 5<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> to compete in the State Skills USA competition. Mr. Paulsen, Mr. Jezylo, and seven students will attend.
  - h. Welding students to travel to Big Rapids May 10<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> to compete in the Ferris State Welding Competition. Mr. Paulsen and four students will attend.

4. It was with regret that I received Sherie Courchaine's resignation letter. Sherie has been a health occupations instructor for over 15 years. There are many doctors, nurses and other health professionals in this area whose health care instruction started in her class. Sherie is looking forward to traveling the county with her husband and spending more time with her children and grandchildren.

5. Building Trades Update

Students have constructed the interior walls and mezzanine. The last two windows have also been installed. After break, they will start on the ceiling and walls. We are soliciting quotes to shingle the roof after spring break.

