

High School Activity Report November & December 2016

Another wish granted - Walk for Wishes: The 7th Walk-for-Wishes campaign was held on Friday, October 28th. The event is the Erie County Technical School's community fundraiser held to support the Make-A-Wish foundation and to grant a wish for an Erie County resident. This year, the recipient was a 7 year old girl from northeast Erie County.

Mr. Tarasovitch continually beams with pride from the support of the students, faculty and friends of the Erie County Technical School-this year ECTS raised \$4,738.32, which equates to granting 1.2 wishes! Amanda Werner, a Transition Center student from the Wattsburg School District, raised \$252.00. She was the highest student fundraiser. Matthew Orr from the Drafting and Design lab and from Fort LeBoeuf High School raised \$192.00 and was the 2nd highest student fundraiser. The third and fourth place fundraisers were Jordan Dixon from the Auto Body Repair lab and from North East High School-\$125.00 and Michael Slupski who is from the Transition Center and Harbor Creek High School-\$120.00. ECTS is extremely proud of these students' efforts. Mr. Tarasovitch would like to thank Ms. Erdman, Ms. Sanders, and the National Honor Society for their support of this worthy project.

First Quarter Honors: The first quarter of the school year was completed on November 2nd. The Erie County Technical School quarterly recognizes three groups of outstanding students; HONOR ROLL students, PERFECT ATTENDANCE students and DISTINGUISHED students.

- **HONOR ROLL:** 207 students; 27% of the student body earned the Honor Roll Status. To achieve this status, the student must have a 95% grade point average.
- **PERFECT ATTENDANCE:** 228 students; 29% of the ECTS population achieved Perfect Attendance this quarter.
- **DISTINGUISHED STUDENT:** 79 students; 10% of the students were recognized as Distinguished. To be a distinguished student, the student must achieve both honor roll and perfect attendance.

Each student received certificates in recognition of the honor. Pam Lasher did a superb job of organizing and creating the list and certificates.

Please see the attached list for your district students that were recognized.

Principal Meeting #2: On Tuesday, November 8th, the consortium of principals met to discuss and share information of value to each district. Mr. Tarasovitch shared the first quarter grade and attendance issues so that a proactive review could occur from both ECTS and the Sending School. In addition, the group was presented with the opportunity to send juniors to the ethics symposium in April of 2017 supported by the Erie Rotary Club.

NTHS Food Drive: The NTHS students with the guidance of Ms. Erdman and Ms. Sanders conducted a food drive for the Second Harvest Food Bank before thanksgiving. The school raised \$277.00 and over a 100 pounds of food that was delivered to the food bank for distribution.

Recruitment/Visitations: November was the month of recruitment of the consortium's freshmen class. Lisa Sorensen did a superb job scheduling the visitations and supporting the instructors with the data needed to prepare for the number of students coming to their labs. During the span of 9 days and 11 sessions the instructors and current students engaged the Erie County 9th grade students with lab appropriate activities to display the opportunities of each program.

Special Olympics Support: On Saturday, December 3, 2016, Mr. Hewitt escorted 4 students to the Special Olympics Bowling tournament. The following Health Assistant students deserve a lot of praise for their willingness to sacrifice their time on a Saturday: Loran Bennett-Girard High School, Kyleigh Lewis-McDowell High School, Alyssa Parana-McDowell High School, and Melissa Flowers-Northwestern High School.

Fun Times in Cosmetology: The Cosmetology Lab held a spa night fundraiser on Dec 13th from 4-8. The students performed manicures, pedicures, facials, and hairstyling for a minimum donation of \$10 per service. The fundraiser has become a staple at ECTS and to support the student efforts to return to the Chicago Hair Show in a couple of years.

AWS Recognition: Mr. Mark Cyphert, the Metal Fabrication Technology instructor was presented the "Howard E. Adkins Memorial Instructor Section Award" from the American Welding Society in November. The administration is extremely proud of Mr. Cyphert and his efforts to ECTS; KUDOS to a recognition well deserved.

October & November ECTS Pride Students: Please find the attached the monthly recognition of the PRIDE Student of the month from each lab.

Construction Trades and Precision Machining Technology - "Welcoming and Involved":
Mr. Dave Yanosko, Mr. Rob Suprynowicz and students from the Construction Trades and Precision Machining Technology programs displayed the Be-Attitudes of Welcoming and Involved when they supported the visitation of the life skills group of students from Mill Village Elementary on November 17th. Both the Construction Trades and Precision Machining students worked hand in hand with the Mill Village Students to create keepsakes as a remembrance of their day at ECTS; Triangular Peg Board game and Dog-Tags.

Open House for 9th Graders: The Erie County Technical School's doors were open for the 9th graders and their parents to visit and investigate any program of interest on Thursday, November 17th. The event was a great success with over 170 families visiting the school and their programs of interest.

Skills USA Leadership Conference: Mr. Travis Woodburn and Mr. Michael Miller escorted a group of students to the Skills USA Leadership Conference held at the Erie Courtyard Marriott on Thursday, December 8th. Approximately 25 ECTS students participated in the conference which allowed the students to experience a variety of activities to encourage each of the students to become a positive influence in their school and community.

A special recognition to Mr. Zellefrow and the Tourism and Hospitality students for their involvement of this conference; the THM program organized and supported the activities of the day.

Mid-Quarter Progress Reports: The 2nd Quarter progress reports were mailed home to the Erie County Technical families on Tuesday, December 6th.

Best Wishes for the Holidays and New Year.