

High School Activity Report November & December 2019

First Quarter Honors: The first quarter of the school year was completed on October 29th. The Erie County Technical School quarterly recognizes three groups of outstanding students; HONOR ROLL students, PERFECT ATTENDANCE students and DISTINGUISHED students.

- **HONOR ROLL:** 201 students; 29% of the student body earned the Honor Roll Status. To achieve this status, the student must have a 95% grade point average.
- **PERFECT ATTENDANCE:** 209 students; 30% of the ECTS population achieved Perfect Attendance this quarter.
- **DISTINGUISHED STUDENT:** 98 students; 14% 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.

Success of Support - Walk for Wishes: The 10th annual Walk-for-Wishes campaign was held on Thursday, October 31st. The event is the Erie County Technical School community fundraiser held to support the Make-A-Wish foundation and to grant a wish for an Erie County resident.

Mr. Tarasovitch continues to be amazed with the support of the students, faculty and friends of the Erie County Technical School, who raised \$5,365.00, which equates to granting 1.2 wishes! Akash Kumar, an Electrical Engineering Technology student from the Northwestern School District, raised \$255.00; he was the highest student fundraiser. ECTS is extremely proud of Akash's efforts. Mr. Tarasovitch would like to thank Mr. Woodburn, Mrs. Marendt and Mrs. Sargent, Skills USA and the National Honor Society for their support of this worthy project.

Principal Meeting #2: On Tuesday, November 5th, the consortium of principals met to discuss and share information of value to each district. Mr. Tarasovitch shared ECTS concerns of low grade and poor attendance issues with students. The Principals also discussed topics from Sending Schools such as District 10 Athletic concerns, on-line testing for Keystone exams, procedures for scheduling "elective" courses, and agencies utilized for "mental health" support.

Recruitment/Visitations: Lisa Sorensen and the staff did a superb hosting the freshman visitations that had been scheduled through October and November. Again, the instructors and the students did an outstanding job displaying the opportunities in their lab and at ECTS. During the span of 10 days and 11 sessions, the Erie County 9th grade students had the opportunity to visit 3 programs.

Integrated Learning Conference Presenters: At the 2019 Integrated Learning Conference, which was held in Penn State on November 6th through the 8th, ECTS was well represented due to both Lisa Sorenson and Joe Tarasovitch being invited to make presentations. Lisa's presentation addressed the ECTS recruitment and admissions process and Joe's session discussed the Erie County Technical School's adoption and integration of the staff and students Be-Attitudes.

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

Construction Trades, Culinary Arts and Drafting and Design - "Welcoming and Involved": Mr. Dave Yanosko, Mrs. Kelly Schoullis, and Mrs. Mariea Sargent and students from Construction Trades, Culinary Arts and Drafting and Design 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 20th. All three-program students worked hand in hand with the Mill Village Students to create birdhouses, computer drawing, and cookies as a remembrance of their day. In addition, the Culinary Arts students provided lunch for our guest. **Please see the attached pictures of this outing.**

Open House for 9th Graders; and 8th Graders: The Erie County Technical School's doors were open for the 8th and 9th graders and their parents to visit and investigate any program of interest on Thursday, November 14th. The engagement of the 8th graders was the first year that ECTS extended an invitation, which was a big success. The evening had over 150 students and their parents walk through the school. The ECTS administration applauds the faculty and the ECTS students with their "welcoming" approach to the informative evening.

Fun Times in Cosmetology: The Cosmetology Lab held a spa night fundraiser on October 29th from 4-8. The students performed manicures, pedicures, facials, and hairstyling for a minimum donation of \$10.00 per service. It was a great success at bringing in approximately \$2,000.00 toward funding for a future trip to the Chicago Hair show. The students and Mrs. Noonan also hosted another spa night Dec. 10th from 4-8. The results of the evening were not available as of the report.

Skills USA Leadership Conference: Mr. Michael Miller and Mr. Travis Woodburn escorted a group of students to the Skills USA Leadership Conference held at the Erie Courtyard Marriott on Thursday, December 12th. Approximately 10 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.

Mid-Quarter Progress Reports: The 2nd Quarter progress reports were mailed home to the Erie County Technical families on Thursday, December 5th.

Best Wishes for the Holidays: Merry Christmas and New Year.