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## School Board Report Monday, May 14, 2018

## **Center Priorities:**

**DOE Monitoring:** The monitoring team from the DOE visited our center on Monday and Tuesday, May 7 and 8. They met with teachers, regional and program advisory board members, district administration, school counseling, students, our career coordinator and a group of parents. They reviewed everything from curriculum and competencies, sequence of courses, community and public relations, CTSOs, post-secondary relationships, recruitment and retention, industry partnerships, career pathways and various data used to craft our annual Perkins grant. They also reviewed and evaluated our physical space, equipment and supplies. The final report will be sent to us in approximately 30 days.

**Health Science:** A long term substitute has been hired for the remainder of the school year. Her name is Regina Bowler; she is an RN and has been a nurse for over 25 years. She has had experience with high school students as an assistant advisor for the HOSA club at Littleton High School. The position for next year is currently being advertised.

Mt. Washington Valley School to Career Summer Camps: We are in full registration mode for our week long summer camp programs. These programs are designed to introduce local middle school students to the variety of classes offered at the MWVCTC and career opportunities available in the valley. Camps offered include: Health Camp, Construction Camp, Photography & Video Camp, Culinary I & II Camps, Robotics Camp, Video Game Creator Camp and new this year STEM Aviation Camp and Future Teachers Camp.

## **Accomplishment of Students and Staff:**

Feast of the Valley: The MWVCTC Culinary students partnered with the Key Club to host the 4<sup>th</sup> annual Feast of the Valley on Wednesday, April 4 in the KHS cafeteria. The event was a roaring success with many, many compliments from the attendees. The event was sold out at 200 tickets. The money raised from the event will be split evenly between the Key Club and our culinary program. Almost ¾ of the food was donated by Performance Food Group so when all is said and done, our profit from the evening will be approximately \$1900. I am extremely proud of our students as they conducted



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themselves very professionally in both manner and dress. Mark Tapper and Alison Bickford are to be commended for the tremendous amount of hours they dedicated to the event and their leadership of the students.





Additionally, the culinary classes visited the White Mountain Community College campus in Berlin to get a firsthand look at their culinary school. Students were treated to cooking demonstrations, a campus tour, meetings with culinary instructors and an amazing lunch which they helped to prepare.

Machine Tool (Andy Shaw): Stacy Hale from NASA was here last Monday to work with the students creating critical flight hardware for the International Space Station. He also brought with him a locker for which the students made parts for last year and the students all got to sign the locker's lid. The locker will be launched into space in July to its new home on the ISS. Later this month, 12 advanced machine tool students will attend a recognition ceremony at NASA's Goddard Space Center in Maryland. Also, two students, Nick Heysler and Chase Lee, have been offered internships this summer with NASA in Houston, Texas. The students will work at the national HUNCH headquarters at Clear Creek High School 3 days a week and at Johnson Space Center 2 days a week. Only 4 students in the U.S. are granted this once in a lifetime opportunity, so kudos to Nick and Chase!



Robotics (Dan Richardi): Our VEX NH/VT Regional Excellence award winners, Kennett Coders Team 5106C have made us proud once again at the 2018 VEX 2018 World Championships last week in Louisville, Kentucky. 5106C was awarded the "Think Award" for their programming excellence. 5106C team members are Chani Mores (Sophomore) and Kate Keefe (Sophomore). Kennett Coders are known for creating smart robots, and the judges at the World Championships agreed. The "Think Award" is presented to a team that has successfully utilized autonomous programming modes during competition. The winning team has quality, consistent and successful autonomous programs as part of their strategy and team members are able to explain their programming process from strategy to syntax.



**Building Trades (Paul Cail)**: Work continues on the Tiny House and the gazebo for Pine Tree Elementary School. We hope to have the house transported to the Home and Garden Show in Fryeburg May 19 and 20 to show off to prospective buyers. The house will not be completed by then, but we hope to feature what the students have accomplished thus far which is pretty amazing. Gary Ward, a retired electrician and local resident, has been dedicating his time teaching the students how to properly wire the house. Guest speaker, Peter Yost, Vice President of Building Green, spoke recently to the classes about environmentally sound building practices, especially in New England's harsh climate.

**Teacher Education (Kelley Murphy):** Teacher Education students will begin a 2 week internship program at John Fuller Elementary beginning May 21. The students will spend time in various elementary classrooms observing veteran teachers as well as participating in lesson planning and delivery.

Graphic Arts (Justin Griffin): Veronica Amaral will be attending Pratt Institute next fall for photography. Pratt is a very prestigious design school in New York City - <a href="https://www.pratt.edu">https://www.pratt.edu</a> Level I and Level II students are creating 360 panoramic photographs and "little planets." The end goal of this unit it to create virtual tours of either businesses in the valley or other areas that are public.



**Extended Learning Opportunities:** One goal for the center this year was to create relevant and rigorous extended learning opportunities (ELOs) for our students which have been very successful. Christine Thompson has placed students in a variety of internship programs including the Conway Area Humane Society, The Red Jacket Mountain View Resort, Kennett High School Athletic Director, Profile Subaru, Rapid Insight, Wicked Fresh Burger, Peace of Mind Bakery, Ambix, Comfort Inn & Suites, Outside TV, Conway Fire and Rescue, McLean Precision Tools, Mittee Bites, Tin Mountain, Merriman House and various schools within the district. We intend to expand our ELOs and at least double our placements next school year.