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School Board Report Monday, March 12, 2018

Professional Activities of the Staff:

- Nik Nutting and Justin Griffin are enrolled in Fitchburg State University's *Addressing the Needs of Students with Disabilities in the Vocational Classroom*.
- Kelley Murphy and Joe Riddensdale are enrolled in SNHU's *Leadership for Learning*.

Priorities for the Center:

- Data collection and posting for DOE monitoring visit in May.
- Advertising will begin this month for the Culinary Instructor position for next year. Mark Tapper has served as the teacher during Kendra Veno's two year leave of absence.
- Upcoming Dates: March 21 - Freshman Transition Night; April 4 - Feast of the Valley; April 12 – National Technical Honor Society induction; May 9 - Kiwanis Rotary Scholarship Dinner

Program News:

Robotics (Dan Richardi, Joe Riddensdale) – The Kennett Coders won the Excellence Award at the State Championships and are headed to the world championships. For the 5th time in 6 years Kennett High School will be represented at the Robotic World Championships. The top 5 of 88 teams qualify for the worlds from the NH/VT region. Chani Mores and Kate Keefe wowed the judges with their knowledge, skills and competition standings to win the highest award given out at a Vex Robotics competition “The Excellence Award”.



DECA – Ten students recently traveled to Manchester to compete against other NH high schools at DECA’s Career Development Conference with their advisor, Greg Allain. The team did really well coming away with two first place finishes: Alex Ianuzzi in Apparel & Accessories Marketing and Ellory Kearns in Quick Serve Restaurant Management.

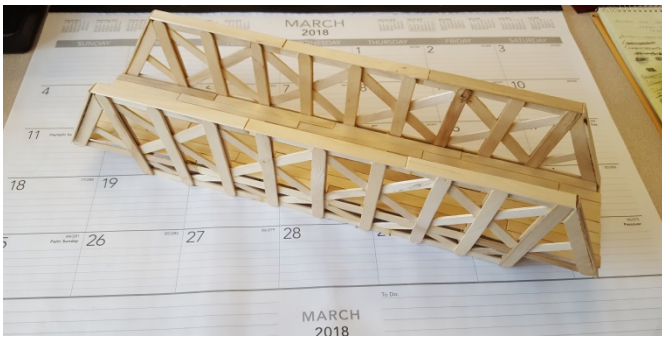


Building Trades (Paul Cail) – The Conway Daily Sun featured a nice article on the progress of the Tiny House in their March 2 edition. Students continue to work on the house and even came in during February vacation week for a work day. The gazebo they are building for Pine Tree is now being decked with floor boards.



Health Science (Francesca Priestman) – The Health Science students recently hosted guest speaker Connie Gagnon, Infection Prevention Officer at Memorial Hospital.

CADD (Joe Riddensdale)- Students in the Engineering class have finished their bridge building unit. The task was to build a bridge using only Popsicle sticks and wood glue. They were given other criteria as to the size and overall dimensions along with other particular design elements they had to incorporate into the project. They are all being judged on their aesthetic value but only some are being tested for overall strength. We will be breaking those bridges shortly to determine the student who has the strongest bridge. Students in Arch Tech draw have finished their car project and are ready to race them. They spent several months designing and modifying them using the 3D software. Then with the 3D printer they printed parts, tested them and reprinted as necessary. They learned the design processes and product creation life cycle along with tolerances and assemblies.



Machine Tool (Andy Shaw) – 32 students are now officially certified in quality assurance for NASA. The Mount Washington Observatory has asked our students to create two additional weathervanes to be used atop the mountain. They are also seeking student help in re-designing the fins for the weathervane to make them more aerodynamic. Students will get to work directly with an engineer for the re-design.

Culinary (Mark Tapper, Alison Bickford) – Culinary students are busy preparing for the annual Feast of the Valley which will be held on Wednesday, April 4 at 5:30pm in the cafeteria at KHS. The event, co-hosted with the Kennett Key Club, features an array of delectable culinary creations. Tickets are \$25 each and funds raised will go towards the culinary program as well as Key Club charities. (see attached)

Graphic Arts (Justin Griffin) – Intro students are learning about Abstract Macro Photography - how to use a camera, how to compose a photograph, how to edit and adjust a photograph to alter its meaning. Students are also creating an art show flyer to promote student work. They are learning about graphic design, composition, Photoshop and typography. Level 1 – Students are practicing the fundamentals of cinematography and camera panning techniques. Level III - Students had to choose from three real world projects: Create a logo concept for SAU9, create a commercial/PSA promoting the school library's e-reader program, or create a video tutorial on how to use the e-reader.



Career Services (Christine Thompson) - Select MWVCTC students have been busy this month preparing their portfolios for the National Technical Honor Society. We have a record number of inductees this year. The induction ceremony is set for April 12th and should be an awesome event. MWVCTC is now on social media. Make sure to connect with us on Facebook and Instagram to see what our talented students have been up to.