



# The Spotlight

September 2018

## CCCE CNA Class Boasts 100 Percent Pass Rate



*CCCE students all pass their exams to become a Certified Nurse Assistant. From left, Michele Miller, Lynnsey Slocum, Sarah McCool, CiTi Assistant Superintendent for Personnel Mark LaFountain, Nursing Instructor Patricia Bucher, Hailey Race, Korbyn Walshvelo, Bridget Kimball and Teresa Sadonski. Not pictured, Bryceanne Williams and Morgan Moreira.*

## Open House Slated for October 11



The Center for Instruction, Technology & Innovation is hosting an open house at the main campus in Mexico, 179 County Route 64 Mexico, NY, on October 11 from 6 to 7:30 p.m.

The evening offers an opportunity for parents and families to meet instructors, tour the facility, see current projects our students are creating and more.

All main campus programs from Alternative Education to Career and Technical Education to Exceptional Education will be featured as well as the Oswego County P-TECH program.



# Oswego County Educators Launch Literacy Initiative

Leaders and educators throughout Oswego County are digging into reading practices as part of the new Oswego County Literacy Initiative (OCLI), a collaboration between all nine Oswego County school districts, the CNYOC Teacher Center, CiTi BOCES and the highly acclaimed Reading League.

“This amazing collaboration is the result of hours of soul-searching discussions between school district superintendents, other district administrators and CiTi BOCES leadership on how to best address the ever-challenging needs of Oswego County students and families,” said CiTi Executive Director of Regional Success Bonnie Finnerty.

The resulting consensus that evidence-based reading instruction consistently taught in every elementary school in Oswego County and supported through teacher coaching and principal development, led to a partnership with the Reading League, whose mission is to build educator knowledge of how to teach reading using evidence-based, highly effective methods of reading instruction and assessment.

“Research indicates that coaching is a key component to successful implementation of any new initiative or learning,” said Finnerty.

As part of the OCLI, regular, job-embedded coaching by Reading League trained coaches will support teachers as they seek to implement reading strategies in their classrooms throughout the school year.

Data collection will also be an integral component of the initiative. Tools such as teacher surveys, pre-post questionnaires, administrator and teacher interviews, assessment data, attendance/behavior data will be used to measure changes in teacher practice, attitudes and beliefs about effective reading instruction and the learning outcomes of the students.

Finnerty said the results will be used to make informed, data-based decisions on professional development, teacher support and the initiative’s overall level of impact on reading achievement throughout Oswego County.

Another important aspect of the collaboration is the agreement made by Oswego County superintendents to schedule common superintendent conference dates throughout the 2018-19 school year. Two of these common dates will be used to bring together more than 600 Oswego County pre-k through third grade professionals to learn about evidence-based reading methods of instruction and assessment.





# Manufacturing Day for Students Coming October 5



CiTì will be celebrating Manufacturing Day with Oswego County manufacturers and businesses on October 5 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Skilled manufacturers and tradespeople will provide demos and be available for conversation on what today's manufacturing world really looks like as well as career opportunities in the field.

Geared for junior and high school students, registration is available online at [CiTiboces.org](http://CiTiboces.org).

## CiTì Public Relations Team Earns National Recognition



The CiTì Public Relations team recently received two awards from the National School Public Relations Association (NSPRA).

For distinguished achievement in the category of Special Purpose Publication, honorable mention was given for the graphic design of the CiTì Audiology Mobile Unit vehicle wrap.

For distinguished achievement in the category of calendar, an award of merit was given to the design of the 2017-18 Hannibal Central School District calendar.

There were 1,061 entries in this year's NSPRA awards program, with 648 receiving recognition.

*CiTì Public Information Specialist Sarah McCrobie (left) and Graphic Design Specialist Todd Shear (right) stand with awards earned by the National School Public Relations Association.*





# Public Safety Hosts 9/11 Ceremony



*Public Safety classes perform a ceremony to honor the victims of September 11, which included a flag raising and a wreath being placed at the base of the flag. This was a wonderful tribute to those lost that day.*

## New Vision Becomes CPR Certified



*New Vision students learn about vital signs and blood pressure as they become CPR/AED certified.*

## Audiology Visits the NY State Fair

*CiT i Audiologists showcase the EAR-V, an educational mobile audiology unit, to the Great New York State Fair. From left, Jessie Bradley, "Sparky" the CiTi Mascot and Amy Bradbury.*



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