

### Center for Career and Community Education Launches New Website



CCCE has partnered with Blackboard and CiTi BOCES Public Relations to build a new website that will provide a responsive and engaging web experience for visitors across every device.

Blackboard Web Community Manager is a website and content management system that provides the tools and capabilities to build a website that will serve as a communications hub, engaging all members of the community via continually updated website content, blogs, forms and surveys, social media and other tools.

CCCE will also use responsive web design (RWD) services to ensure its website can be easily read and navigated on a wide range of

devices, from desktops to mobile phones and tablets. Some additional highlights of the new CCCE website include:

- A platform that allows for easy editing and updating.
- A structure that utilizes an inclusive approach to accessibility for all.
- The capability to be fully integrated with other platforms such as google.

# Alumni Feature

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Citi alumna Julia Kingsley is a 2017 graduate from Fulton City School District and the Nursing Assistant program. She currently works as an LPN at Oswego Health's Cardiology office. Kingsley said the CTE program helped her not only in high school, where she began her career in nursing, but also in adult education where she graduated with her LPN in 2019. Do you know CiTi alumni who should be recognized for their success? Share their story with the CiTi Public Relations team at pr@CiTiboces.org.



## STRIVE Students at Volney Elementary Donate to Vera House, Inc.



CiTi STRIVE students at Volney Elementary stand with a thank you letter from Vera House, Inc. for the donations that students collected and delivered.

## Digital Media Technology Learns to Paint with Light



A Digital Media Technology student learns how to paint with light in photography and how to make 3D animation during a recent visit to Mohawk Valley Community College.

### **O&M Professionals Come Together for 25th Annual Trade Show**



The annual Workshop and Trade Show for operations and maintenance staff throughout Oswego County turned 25 this year and featured a jam-packed gym of vendors.

Hundreds of local professionals from all nine Oswego County districts and CiTi came together at Mexico Middle School during mid-winter recess for the 25th annual event.

CiTi Director of Facilities Wayne Wideman said the show is always one of the most anticipated events of the year as it's a chance for everyone in the county to come together, bond and learn the same material.

The day of learning and fun began with a presentation from Jeff Olefson about how to gain more satisfaction from work by "embracing the mission."

Then, after lunch, the group moved to the gymnasium where around 50 trade-related vendors with crowds of people examining equipment, services and more. Wideman thanked all the vendors for their continued partnership.

The event, ran by the Oswego County chapter of the state School Facilities Association (OCSFA), also assists area students with scholarships.

Currently, the group is accepting applications for multiple \$500 scholarships for high school seniors throughout Oswego County who are interested in pursuing a degree in the fields of facility management, building maintenance, construction trades or construction management.



### Career and Technical Education Recognizes Top Three Students at CiTi



Top three students from Welding Technology first year AM Adam Cooney (Central Square), Brady Saxton (APW) and Braeden Dempsey (Fulton).

The Center for Instruction, Technology & Innovation recognized the top three students of each Career and Technical Education program recently.

Both morning and afternoon classes were provided breakfast or lunch at a celebration that honored their grade point average, work ethic, attitude and attendance. Each student received a certificate of recognition from Career and Technical Education Principal Michael Thurlow.

AM award-winners: Advanced Metal Manufacturing first year Mitchell Donaldson (FUL), Joshua Sokolic (FUL) and Dylan Keys (CSQ); Advanced Metal Manufacturing second year Hunter Lawton (OSW), Kyle Marks (Mexico) and Jacob Chrisman (MEX); Auto Body fist Year Connor Picciott (CSQ); Auto Body second year Adam Walton (CSQ), Travis Gallia (CSQ) and Charles Claver III (PHO); Auto Technology Dylan Cooper (Fulton), Lori Daino (FUL) and Zachary Guarasce (CSQ); Auto Technology second year Hunter Thompson

(OSW); Computer Coding first year Joseph Moore (PUL), Nikolas Richards (APW) and Kyle McEwen (Hannibal); Computer Coding second year Jeffrey Klein (CSQ), Kameron Balcom (PUL) and Patrick Dattler (CSQ); Construction Technology first year Demetri Pappa (OSW), John Hogan Jr. (CSQ) and Ethan Munk (OSW); Construction Technology second year Jeremy Fellows (HAN), Heather Hunt (APW) and Jarrett Wells (CSQ); Cosmetology first year Gabrielle Brown (SCK), Sierra Harris (PHO) and Peyton Cory (MEX); Cosmetology second year Kalysha Rourke (OSW), Nevaeh Worley (CSQ) and Madison Collins (MEX); Culinary Arts first year Haylee Caputo (CSQ), Fakiya Mudata (MEX) and Jozlyn Fiorito (MEX); Culinary Arts second year Hillary O'Bryan (HAN), Abigail Babcock (APW) and Abigail Mahan (MEX); Digital Media Technology first year Zachary Moore (HAN), Cheyanne Shearer (CSQ) and Alekzander Cappelletti (MEX); Digital Media Technology second year Emma McCarthy (MEX), Katelynn Spaulding (MEX) and Tyler Allen (SCK); Early Childhood Education first year Paige Nitzke (CSQ), Brooke Rogers (SCK) and Emilie Lyboult (CSQ); Early Childhood Education second year Madison Watkins (PHO), Alyssa Kurak (FUL) and Kendyll Green (PUL); Heavy Equipment Repair & Operation first year Alex Rivera (MEX), Ayden White (CSQ) and James Isgar (MEX); Heavy Equipment Repair & Operation second year Connor Hunter (CSQ), Austin Miller (MEX) and Ryan Whitcomb (HAN); New Vision Allied Health Brittney Baum (FUL), Alexandria Delfino (OSW) and Krysta Glazier (PUL); New Vision Law and Government Caroline Stainton (PUL), Jackson Stephens (OSW) and Kelsey Combes (HAN); New Visio Specialized Careers Gabrielle Moran (CSQ), Jake Chetney (OSW) and Sydney Cook (SCK); Nursing Assistant first year Arissa Rendino (CSQ), Cali Manning (CSQ) and Hannah Charleston (PHO); Nursing Assistant second year Jordan Burdick (PUL), Brittney Roser (APW) and Nicole Redford (APW); Outdoor Power Equipment Technology first year Nicholas McCombie (HAN), Hunter Schwalm (PUL) and Nathaniel Oullette (PUL); Public Safety and Justice first year Nicole Clasen (CSQ), Hunter Hadlock (APW) and Ryan Robbins (SCK); Public Safety and Justice second year Taylor Fisher (CSQ), Travis Crosby (CSQ) and Jimi Vantassel-Moffett (CSQ); Welding Technology first year Adam Cooney (CSQ), Brady Saxton (APW) and Braeden Dempsey (FUL); Welding Technology first year (second class) Owen Sheldon (FUL), Benjamin Ostrander (APW) and Isaac Gill (MEX); Welding Technology second year Levi Darling (SCK), Joshua Lovins (PHO) and Cody Roser (APW).

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### Career and Technical Education Recognizes Top Three Students at CiTi

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PM award-winners: Advanced Metal Manufacturing first year Tyler Murray (HAN) and Travis Bristol (MEX): Advanced Metal Manufacturing second year Tyler Hackett (MEX) and Cole Graham (MEX); Auto Technology first year Joseph DeStevens (OSW); Auto Technology second year Dylan Woolson (MEX) and Sammy Sawyer (APW); Computer Coding first year Dustin Palmatier (HAN), Zander Huebner (FUL) and Robert Minard (PHO); Computer Coding second year Coralynne Milliken (APW), Tanner Sheltra (APW) and Sarah Stewart (PUL); Construction Technology first year Makaila May (CSQ), Aliyah Ladd (PHO) and Brendan Geer (PHO); Cosmetology first year Kaila Loadwick (OSW), Crystal Boland (FUL) and Alisa Collins (MEX); Cosmetology second year Madison Pepper (FUL), Ivy Jeter (OSW) and Paige Pierce (FUL); Culinary Arts first year Cailynn Fellows (HAN), Kylie Mulcahey (HAN) and Alexander Haynes (OSW); Culinary Arts second year Haley Gardner (OSW), Tory Paro (FUL) and Bradley Cuyler (OSW); Digital Media Technology first year Elizabeth Lamach (PHO), Summer Cusson (APW) and Michael Strong (FUL); Digital Media Technology second year Charlynne Storrs (HAN), Gabrielle Gloude (CSQ) and Joshua Collett (OSW); Early Childhood Education first year Abigail Skellington-Bice (APW), Brittany Kaye (OSW) and Leeann Wolfanger (PHO); Early Childhood Education second year Megan Coe (MEX), Kaitlyn Cowan (APW) and JulieAnn Dunning (OSW); Heavy Equipment Repair and Operation first year Zackary Byrne (PHO), Hendrik Lallier (PHO) and Alfonso Alonso (OSW); Heavy Equipment Repair and Operation second year Steven Onufrak (HAN), Justin Haines (OSW) and Derek Carter (HAN); Industrial Electrical Technology first year.

Jeffrey Cooper (PHO), Rocco Mistico (PHO) and Samuel Metcalf (OSW); Industrial Electrical Technology second year Brevyn Barhnart (CSQ), Jacob Seely (HAN) and Alexis Lemon (MEX); New Vision Allied Health Emily Porter (FUL), Kindl Leja (APW) and Seth Perrin (OSW); New Vision Law and Government Ruhma Khawaja (OSW), Hannah Comstock (APW) and Destiny Pitre (APW); New Vision Specialized Careers Kirsten Bell (OSW), Alexander Koproski (OSW) and Emma Alton (OSW); Nursing Assistant first year Melisa Button (MEX), Katherine Hefti (PUL) and Elora Race (CSQ); Nursing Assistant second year Taylor Bonoffski (FUL), Melina Mandell (CSQ) and Alexis Loomis (FUL); Public Safety and Justice first year Jordan Kilgore (HAN), Hailey West (CSQ) and Oliver Hall (PUL); Public Safety and Justice second year Jacob Wright (PHO), Brittany Cross (APW) and Noah Lyboult (OSW); Welding Technology first year Aiden Caroccio (OSW), Austin Carroll (OSW) and Ian Arnold (HAN); Welding Technology second class) Devon Tonkin (OSW), Brennah Deisz (CSQ) and Andrew Centrone (MEX); Welding Technology second year Joshua Evans (OSW), Dylon Richards (OSW) and Casey DeLapp (OSW).

### Seven CCCE Medical Assisting Students Graduate



Seven adult students graduated from the Center for Career and Community Education to become certified medical assistants.

By demonstrating hard work, commitment and dedication, students Alexus Coady, Helen Cook, Mariah Trumble, Coral Brown, Hailey Stiles, Taylor Knopp and Holly Bailey graduated from the program and will now join the medical field.

For more information on continuing education courses offered through CCCE, visit www.CCCEd.net.



## Work-Study Students Help Local Families with "Soup-er Bowl" Food Drive



Much like the national Super Bowl, the cornerstone for Fourth Street School's "Soup-er Bowl" annual food drive is teamwork.

Students in the Full-day Work-study class at Fourth Street School in Fulton collected non-perishable food items through their annual "Soup-er Bowl" canned soup and food drive.

Students and staff at the school were encouraged to participate by dropping their contributions in boxes placed throughout the building.

Proudly toting boxes brimming with food donations, the class was given the opportunity to personally deliver collected food items to the Catholic Charities Food Bank, where students were also given a tour of facilities and were thanked for their support of local families.

CiTi Work-study students work up to 24 hours-per-week, while they achieve both Career Development and Occupational Studies credit, in addition to a small stipend for their work. Through classroom instruction, special projects and community connection outings, students attain practical life skills, such as communication, organization, time management, critical thinking and work ethic, among several others.

## Public Safety & Justice Students Take Oath of Enlistment from U.S. Army Astronaut in Space



Eight Public Safety and Justice students take an oath of enlistment during a ceremony held recently at the Center for Instruction, Technology & Innovation.

Eight students from the Center for Instruction, Technology & Innovation's Public Safety and Justice program raised their hands in an oath of enlistment ceremony with U.S. Army Col. and NASA astronaut Andrew Morgan leading the proceedings from aboard the International Space Station.

"It feels kind of surreal," said Alex Currie, one of the eight who enlisted. "I never thought I'd get to watch a video and have an astronaut talk to us directly."

The ceremony was the first of its kind to be held at the CiTi Mexico campus.

"I hope that they appreciate the magnitude of what a historic event this is," said Public Safety and Justice instructor Todd Gorman. "I'm very jealous, but extremely proud, of every single one of them."

The ceremony was one of more than 130 locations across the country that enlisted new soldiers courtesy of Col. Morgan.

"These students are going to be telling their kids that they were swore in from outer space," said Gorman. "I'm just really glad we got to participate in it."



### OCAY League Hosts Third Event of the Year

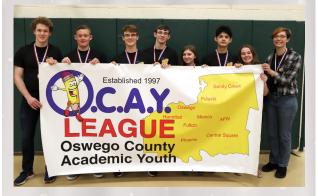
The third Oswego County Academic Youth League featured a series of academic activities ranging from short quizzes to a jigsaw puzzle. The objective of the competition was to complete as many challenges as possible in the designated time period.



Central Square receives gold medals.



Oswego receives silver medals.



Pulaski receives bronze medals.

### COVID-19 Resources Available at CiTiboces.org



CiTiboces.org/covid will now host information and resources related to the coronavirus, including an example daily schedule for parents (above), virtual distance learning opportunities, mindful exercises and more. Check back frequently for updates.

### CiTi is now on Pinterest!

CiTi is now on Pinterest, where ideas, educational resources, ideas for parents and more will be posted. Check us out at pinterest.com/citiboces.





### Phoenix Library Media Specialist Recognized as Educator Spotlight



The CiTi
Instructional
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Support: Model
Schools service
named John C.
Birdlebough High
School library
media specialist
Chelsea Powell as
its winter educator
spotlight recipient.

Powell, who is in her second year at JCB, has immersed herself into the school as a teacher and adviser. In addition to her duties in the library, she also collaborates with classroom teachers during school hours and moderates several clubs and extracurricular activities outside of the traditional workday. Whether she is in the classroom or advising an afterschool club, she is constantly looking for creative ways to incorporate technology into everything she does.

"I am always trying to integrate new educational apps and websites into my lessons," Powell said. "The library has done some cool art, math and science projects using Tinkercad and the 3D printer. Students love to explore virtual reality technologies in the library taking virtual tours on Google Expeditions and creating virtual worlds in CoSpaces."

She noted that 10th-grade English students are studying Shakespeare and using technology to create their own "movie magic" with "Macbeth." The students are using WeVideo to edit and produce the play and incorporating special effects, with the help of a greenscreen as a backdrop.

## Students Earn Valuable Experience in Instructional Technology Department



Pictured are members of the Instructional Technology Department's intern team for the year. From left is Aaron Hibbert, Jake Chetney and Jerit Abbott.

Two current students and one CiTi alum are gaining work experience through the Instructional Technology Department.

Aaron Hibbert and Jake Chetney, both seniors from Oswego City School District, are learning pieces of the trade through the New Vision program, while former CiTi student Jerit Abbott has joined the department ranks as an intern.

Hibbert plans to attend the Rochester Institute of Technology in the fall. While Chetney hasn't decided where to attend, he has plans to get into the physics field and has taken a lot from his experiences with IT.

Abbott, a 2019 Altmar-Parish-Williamstown Central School District graduate, spent two years at CiTi for his education, taking Computer Systems and Computer Systems Networking.

Since beginning the 13-week paid internship in December, Abbott has been working with clients while assisting with the setting up and imaging of computers among various activities.

"I've grown a ton in a short amount of time and my communication skills are much better than they were," said Abbott. "I'm really grateful for the opportunity."



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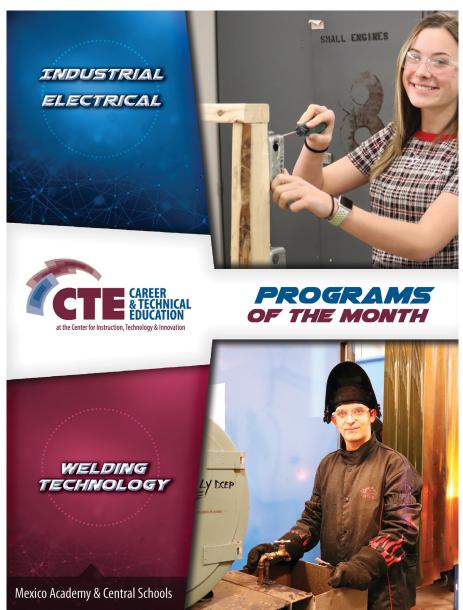
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The month of March showcases Industrial Electrical Technologies and Welding Technology programs in Career and Technical Education. Above, students from the Mexico Academy & Central School District are featured. Industrial Electrical Technologies provides fundamental knowledge and skills associated with electrical trades. Classroom instruction in electrical theory as well as shop experiences expose students to real-life requirements and expectations of the trade. Welding Technology students gain skills in basic welding, fabricating, math and problem-solving. Students work to complete the American Welding Society Entry-level Welder Qualification.