Syracuse City School District Partnership Council Update: February 2016 Here's what's happening in Career and Technical Education!

Clinical Laboratory Technician

On February 10th, SCSD staff met with the Clinical Laboratory Broome Community College faculty to start to build the required Scope and Sequence six year plan for students. The Scope and Sequence is the perceptive plan that entering 9th graders will follow as they complete both there high school diploma and associates degree. Built into the Scope and Sequence is the integration of college course work and program internships. It is the vital link to make sure that we meet both high school and college graduation the requirements.

We will share the scope and sequence for both the Health Information Technology and Clinical Laboratory Technician programs during the March meeting.

SCSD students at Women in the STEM Workplace

Six 9th graders from PSLA and ITC were selected to participate in a "Women in the STEM Workplace" workshop at SRC, Inc. on February 3rd. The girls spent the day at SRC Inc. learning about opportunities for women in STEM career fields. They also competed in a design challenged and placed first in the competition. P-Tech 10th grade students Lilly La and Desaree Seals and Fowler 12th grader Abshiro Abubecker also participated by helping organize and facilitate the event along with PSLA CTE teachers Brittany Mazzaferro(Cybersecurity) and Jessica Teifke (GIS).



Photo: P-Tech 9th grade students Victoria Kingsley, left, Eliza Velazquez, center, and Masajah Snow with their winning design and prizes.

CTE Expo for SCSD 8th graders



On March 3rd, 4th and 5th we will host the third annual CTE Expo. All SCSD 8th grade students will attend the Expo. Eighth grade students will experience firsthand all of the Career and Technical education programs available to them. On Saturday March 5th the CTE Expo will be open to parents and community members. The SCSD High School Choice Program booklet has been uploaded to the SCSD CTE website and you can find it here

http://www.syracusecityschools.com/tfiles/folder2980/HS%20Choice%20Booklet.pdf

The CTE Expo will take place in the gymnasium of the Public Service Leadership Academy located at 227 Magnolia Street. All Partnership Council members are welcome to attend the event. Thursday and Friday the hours will be 9-3 and Saturday will be 10-12 pm. If you are interested in attending and are a Partnership Council Member, please contact Susan Centore (Scentore@scsd.us). We will be sure to arrange for a special tour of the Expo and a chance for you to meet our CTE teachers.

ServSafe Certification for SCSD Culinary students

Twenty nine SCSD culinary students received ServSafe Food Handler certification from Guest instructor Thomas Kiernan, CEC, the Executive Chef of the Marriott Syracuse Downtown and a member of the SCSD Culinary Advisory Council. On Saturday, January 30th and Saturday February 6th students attended the 5 hour program at ITC and gained this certification that will be effective for five years. These culinary students are one step closer to their professional career.



Lab Alliance Highlights SCSD partnership in Newsletter

Lab Alliance, one our partners in our second P-Tech grant that supports the Health Careers Academy at Henninger high school, highlighted our partnership in their newsletter. An explanation of our new programs, photos of our visiting students and some of the work we are doing to showcase our Career and Technical Programs were featured. You can see the entire article here. ADD LINK

Drone Technology

We have started to work with several business and educational partners to build a concept of what the first Career and Technical Education Drone Technology program in New York State will look like. On February 24th, 2016 we will be visiting NUAIR (Northeast UAS Airspace Integration Research Alliance) to have a foundational discussion on what the technical components of a high school CTE program should be. We have also had preliminary discussion with Mohawk Valley Community College to discuss a possible partnership as they seek New York State approval for their two year associate degree program. We will update the Partnership Council at the March 15th meeting on the program concept.