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

# CTE Expo for SCSD 8th graders

On March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> we will host the third annual CTE Expo. All SCSD 8<sup>th</sup> 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 5<sup>th</sup> the CTE Expo will be open to parents and community members.

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.

## **CTE Day for the Middle School Counselors**

On Wednesday, January 6<sup>th</sup> the CTE office hosted a middle school counselor retreat to provide counselors with a fresh look at our current programs. The morning information session updated the school counselors on all of the current CTE programs and highlighted how the career pathways work for students. We ended the morning with a panel of Partnership Council members who provided insight into the employer perspective of CTE programs. They discussed how CTE students are more prepared for employment and higher education. The employer panel also addressed the skill sets needed to be successful in their organizations and the expectations for students to be ready as they enter the world of work. The day concluded with building tours of our programs in three of the high schools.

## Career and Technical Education Internship Handbook

We continue to solicit feedback on the Career and Technical Education Internship Handbook draft provided to you at the December meeting. Please share any input you may have with Susan Centore at <a href="mailto:scentore@scsd.us">scentore@scsd.us</a>.

#### **Partnership Council Agenda Meeting**

We have scheduled the agenda planning committee for February 9th.

## P-TECH Engineering Snowman Project at the Institute of Technology

The PVC snowman project was part of a manufacturing unit that students completed in their engineering class. Our 10th grade P-TECH students made the snowmen using "assembly line" techniques they learned in the unit. The mentors provided guidance in the workflows the students developed for the assembly line. The mentors participated throughout the 90 minute program.

The students produced over 100 snowmen. The 10<sup>th</sup> grade P-TECH class decided to donate the majority of the snowmen to children and families staying at the Golisano Children's hospital for the holidays. **Here is a link to photos on the P-Tech Facebook page** 

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# **Career and Technical Education Web Page**

Please don't forget to check out our new Career and Technical Education webpage on the district website. We are under the Quicklinks, CTE Programs link.