

Syracuse City School District
Partnership Council Update: November 2015
Here's what's happening in Career and Technical Education!

Partnership Council December Meeting:

We will be holding the December 15th, 2015, Partnership Council meeting at the Syracuse Research Corporation located at 7502 Round Pond Road, North Syracuse, New York 13212. Please be aware that SRC is a U.S. Government defense contractor and they need to verify your citizenship if you will be in their facilities. If you are not a U.S. citizen, please let me know as soon as possible so that we are able to make special accommodations for you to attend the meeting.

If you are planning on attending the December 15th meeting please let us know by December 2nd, 2015.

PTECH Grant - Health Careers Academy: UPDATE

On October 29th, Governor Cuomo's Office announced the winners of the 3rd round of New York State P-Tech Grants. Syracuse City School District was one of seven award winners. At December's Partnership Council meeting, we will be reviewing the grant proposal and the impact that it will have for Syracuse City School District students. The grant award is for three million dollars over seven years. Below is the link to the P-TECH Announcement.

<https://www.governor.ny.gov/news/governor-cuomo-announces-winners-third-round-p-tech-partnership-awards>

SCSD CTE Students Out in the Field

One hundred thirty two SCSD students attended the **6th Annual Manufacturing Careers Day** on Friday, October 2nd at Lockheed Martin. Students toured Lockheed Martin and observed presentations by other local employers set up at stations throughout the tour. The event provided an opportunity for our students to experience and learn about careers in advanced manufacturing and engineering. Students participated in hands-on engineering projects and had opportunities to meet and talk with working professionals.

On October 15th SCSD students attended the **9th Annual Construction Career Day** at the NYS Fairgrounds. Students moved through hands on demonstrations where they were able to bend conduit, lay block, manipulate safety fall protection equipment and use general power tools. Opportunities were available for all students to try their hand

at operating some heavy equipment. Students were able to determine safety procedures necessary before you dig through the hands on demonstration at 811 Dig It. A variety of career and continuing education vendors including local union representatives and college representatives were also available to speak to students.

Once a month, throughout the school year SCSD students enrolled in the Medical Assisting and Health Professions CTE program will attend the **CHOICES (Crouse Hospital Offers Innovative Career Explorations for Students)** program at Crouse Hospital. This program offers a series of monthly programs about a variety of health care careers including Nursing, Radiology, Oncology, Pathology and more. The program meets one evening a month from October through April and consists of a presentation by a medical professional followed by a question and answer period.

Henninger students in the Medical Assisting, Health Professions and Project Lead the Way Biomedical Science class also attend the “MEDS” – Medical Education for Diverse Students at UPSTATE. MEDS this year has connected with the programs at Henninger for a series of one-day workshops. Here is a link to a recent article on this program. <http://blogs.upstate.edu/withdistinction/2014/01/16/meds-program-draws-city-high-school-students-to-upstate>

NYSED Certification Office – Syracuse City School District Emerging Career Fields Certification Titles: UPDATE

We continue to make progress to the creation of a certification title for our four new Career and Technical Education pathway programs (Cybersecurity, Computer Forensics, Geospatial Technology and Forensics Science.) During a third follow up meeting, the NYSED Certification Office requested that Syracuse City School District also create a Career Path Guidance Documentation for NYSED Certification. As it stands now, NYSED Certification has all of the information and hopefully will create the title for certification soon. As a byproduct of all of the conversations with NYSED Certification, SCSD has been asked to join a study group at the state level to look a possible revisions to all CTE Certification Titles in line with our current submitted model.

Career and Technical Education Internship Handbook

We are continuing our efforts on the Career and Technical Education Internship Handbook. After a review of internship programs locally and nationally, we are in the process of working on a guidance document for employers, students, and our CTE programs. We will start cycling out draft copies of the three components in late November with a final draft presented for review in December. We are looking forward to the Partnership Council's input on the document.

