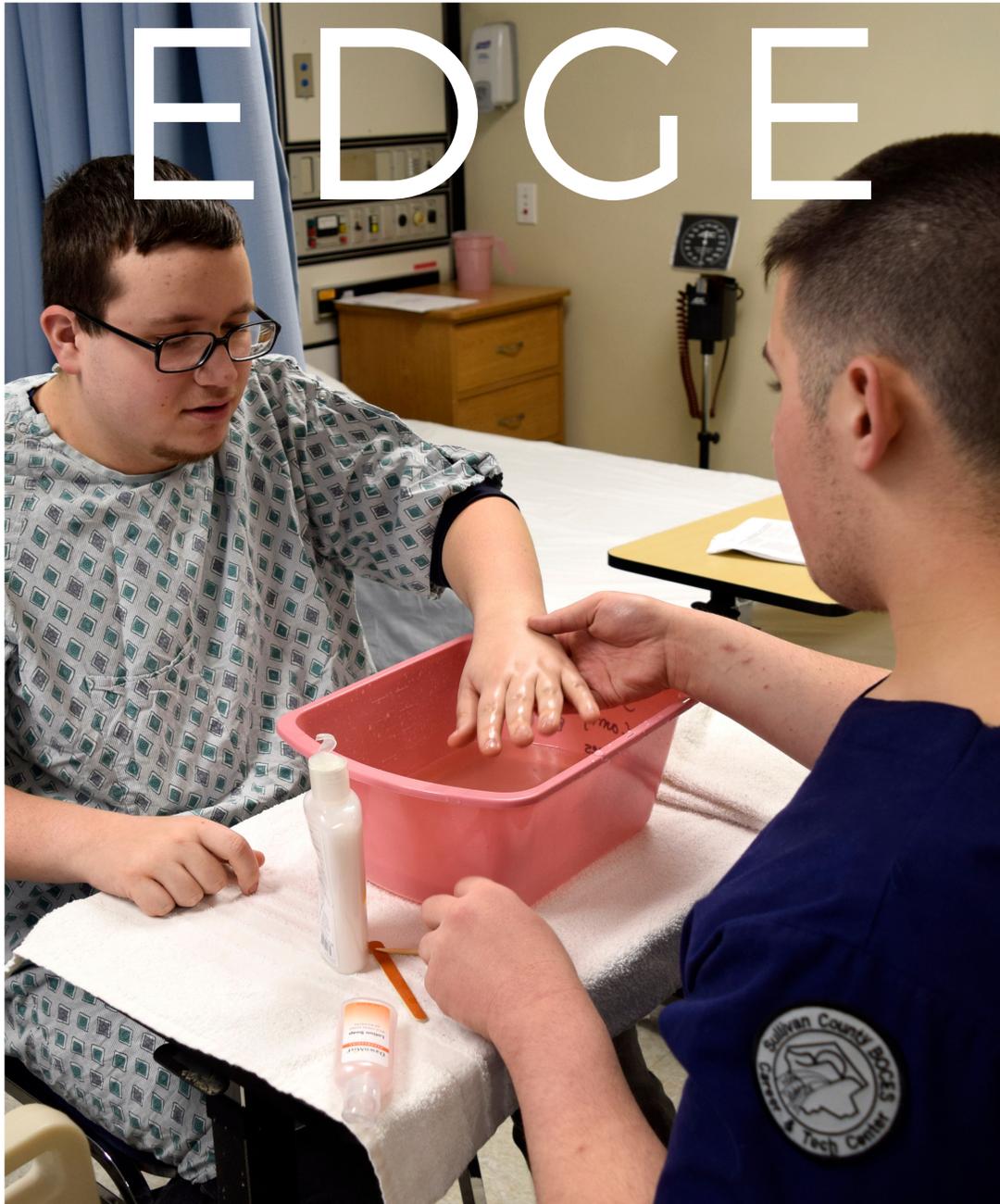


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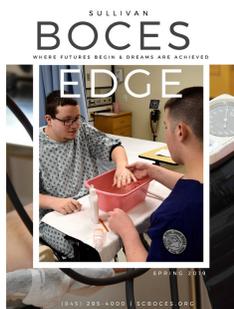


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ABOUT SULLIVAN BOCES

Sullivan BOCES delivers a wide-range of instructional and management services to its eight component school districts and several other districts outside the county. Our three hundred staff members collaborate with our partners to create solutions to educational challenges, increase operational efficiencies, and reduce costs. We improve student success by providing quality educational experiences, helping students achieve their goals, learn skills, increase knowledge and develop a work ethic for the 21st century.





Sullivan BOCES GETS A NEW LOOK

Sullivan BOCES recently changed its logo. The goal was to provide Sullivan BOCES with a new logo that aligned with Sullivan County's regional image which incorporates a mountain graphic and utilizes the colors green and blue.

"We are excited about our new logo. It brings a fresh look which is distinctive yet conveys our regional image." said, Robert Dufour, Ed. D, district superintendent at Sullivan BOCES.

CAREER & TECH CENTER PARTNERS WITH WJFF TO EXPAND PROGRAMMING, INTERNSHIPS AND FUTURE CAREERS FOR STUDENTS

In 2019-2020, the Career & Tech Center is launching a course in Broadcasting/Music Production to high school students. The program will provide students with hands-on training to learn industry basics in radio and live musical recordings. Students will learn audio production terminology, techniques, and how to operate and maintain audio equipment, and use digital audio workstations to create recordings. To provide students with an optimal learning environment, Sullivan BOCES has partnered with WJFF to locate this new program at the new radio station.

According to Dan Rigney, general manager and development director for WJFF Radio Catskill, "We are thrilled to have this community partnership. It is essentially the kickoff to the project that will bring our new home to Liberty."

WJFF recently acquired the Catskill Harvest building in Liberty and will move from Jeffersonville to Liberty. To prepare for the move, WJFF is working with the Career & Tech Center's Construction Tech Program to convert the existing space into a state-of-the-art



studio, offices, and classroom. The Natural Resources Program will also work with WJFF to transform the property's existing landscaping into an area that will better suit the station's needs.

"We at the Career & Tech Center at Sullivan BOCES are excited about our new partnership with WJFF. We have mutual goals centered on community involvement and improvement, and we are thrilled that we can combine resources to pursue those goals together. The demolition and site work that our students can accomplish for WJFF are the first steps in what we hope to be a long-standing relationship which will include events, programming, internships and future careers for students at Sullivan BOCES," said Scott Palermo, executive principal at the Career & Tech Center.



Nathan Honorato, CTE Innovative Design Student

SULLIVAN BOCES DEMONSTRATES THE INTEGRATION OF VIRTUAL REALITY INTO THE CLASSROOM AT THE STATE CAPITOL

On March 13th, Sullivan BOCES traveled to the New York State Capitol in Albany to take part in the BOCES in the "Well" Day. The event was created to give elected officials the opportunity to see first-hand the many educational programs/opportunities the 37 statewide BOCES provide the students of New York. It was held in the "Well" of the Legislative Office Building. The "Well" is the recessed lobby at the base of the grand stairway that provides access to the Empire State Plaza.

Sullivan BOCES highlighted how Virtual Reality (VR) is used to give our students a visual component to enforce their studies and provide them with "virtual" experiences to expand their knowledge. Not only was our program extremely popular with the elected officials and staff, but students and faculty from the other BOCES could not wait to take part in a virtual experience.



Assemblywoman Aileen Gunther and Nathan Honorato



Nathan Honorato, an Innovative Design student from the Monticello CSD, did a fantastic job walking people through their virtual experiences. According to Nathan Honorato, "I was expecting to present the same thing for 12 hours and come back exhausted. Instead, I was surprised when I was introduced and greeted by important government representatives, other BOCES Superintendents, faculty and students, all wondering about virtual reality. It was nice to see their smiling faces as they tried the VR headsets."

"Well Day" for Nathan Honorato, ended up being more than just an interactive presentation. In one day he represented Sullivan BOCES in a statewide event, saw the State Capitol and met Assemblywoman Gunther and Senator Metzger. As a bonus, Assemblywoman Gunther invited him into her legislative session where he joined her on the floor and sat in her chair.



Area 4 SkillsUSA Competition

CAREER & TECH STUDENTS COMPETE AT AREA IV REGIONAL SKILLSUSA COMPETITION

On March 14th, twelve students from various career and technical education programs traveled to Dutchess Community College and Dutchess BOCES Career & Tech Center to compete in the Area IV Regional SkillsUSA Competition. Area IV comprises Dutchess, Orange, Putnam, Rockland, Sullivan, Ulster, and Westchester Counties.

Students from across the region competed in various categories testing his or her vocational knowledge and skills. Besides their knowledge, students are judged on their resume and professional appearance. Six Sullivan BOCES students placed in the top three of their programs at the regional competition.

Winners from the regional competitions will compete at the statewide level in Syracuse on April 24-26, 2019.

Nursing Assistant Competition:

- First place: McKenzie Profeta-Roman, LCS
- Second place: Hannah Rollins, ECS

Food Prep Basic Competition:

- Second place: Robert King, MCS

Auto Service Tech Competition:

- Third place: Nicholas Bunt, MCS

Basic Auto Vehicle Maintenance Competition:

- Third place: Tylan Williams, MCS

Criminal Justice Competition:

- Third place: Taran Payton, FCS





"We are very proud of all of our students who competed. We look forward to seeing our students who placed, compete at the statewide level."

Scott Palermo, executive principal, Career & Technical Center.



SkillsUSA is a partnership of students, teachers and industry working together to ensure America has a skilled workforce. SkillsUSA helps each student excel. We provide educational programs, events and competitions that support career and technical education (CTE) in the nation's classrooms.



& 10th-Grade Tours

CAREER & TECH SHOWCASE PROGRAMS
FOR PROSPECTIVE STUDENTS



Over four hundred 5th, 8th & 10th-grade students from Sullivan County school districts visited the Career & Technical Education Center to learn about potential career opportunities through programs offered at the Career & Tech Center. Not only did the students learn about different careers, but it was also a perfect opportunity for them to explore and see first-hand the educational options available to them when they enter high school.

“This is such a great opportunity for our students to learn about different career options and how they can learn the skills to start their potential career,” said Michelle Sager, School Counselor from the Fallsburg Central School. “This is the first time I have had the opportunity to see the different Career & Tech programs in action.”





Over the next couple of months, students interested in attending the Career & Tech Center will work with their home school guidance counselors to register for the career & tech program of their choice. “Although the weather delays and early dismissals expanded the time frame of our tours, the Career Expo and the 10th-grade tours continue to be beneficial for students in selecting a career path for their future,” said Scott Palermo, principal of the CTE program.



PROGRAMS OFFERED

Animal Science
 Auto Body
 Automotive Technology
 Broadcasting / Music Production
 Commercial Drone Aviation Pilot
 Construction Technology
 Cosmetology
 Culinary Arts

Early Childhood Education
 Health Occupations
 New Vision Health
 Hospitality & Tourism Academy
 Innovative Design
 Natural Resources
 Precision Machining
 Public Safety
 Welding

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ENRICHING STUDENTS THROUGH THE SCHOLASTIC ARTS PROGRAM

Where am I ~ Julisa Rosa, Liberty CSD

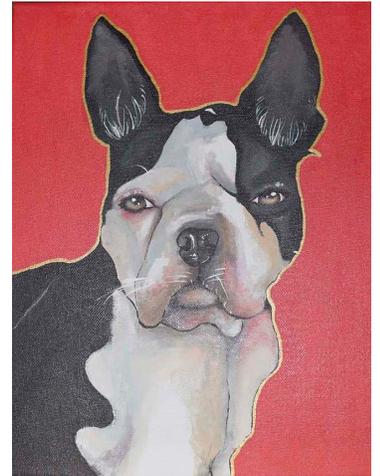
On February 8th, Sullivan BOCES and The Hudson Valley Scholastic Art Affiliates (HVSAA) once again came together to organize and present the Regional 2019 Scholastic Art & Writing Awards. The HVSAA is a consortium of organizations including Dutchess BOCES, Orange-Ulster BOCES, Sullivan BOCES, Ulster BOCES, the Enlarged City School Districts of Middletown, and the Orange County Arts Council.

The Scholastic Arts Awards program allows Hudson Valley students to showcase their talents in the areas of architecture, ceramics, design, painting, illustration, fashion, photography, digital art, mixed media, printmaking, sculpture, and film. "We are so proud of all of the students who submitted artwork this year," said Susan Zieres-Teeple, Arts In Education Coordinator at Sullivan BOCES.

This year, thirty-six different schools and 885 students submitted 3,351 pieces of art. As a result, the Hudson Valley Affiliate awarded 225 Gold Keys, 351 Silver Keys, Honorable Mentions, and American Visions awards. In Sullivan County, eight pieces of art received the gold key award and seven pieces of art earned silver key awards. "I am happy to win two Gold Key awards again this year," said Maria Rakin, Liberty student.



Our Moment
~ Bella Mateo, Liberty CSD



Boston Terrior
~ Tiana Helms, Liberty CSD



Moth Boy
~ Maria Rakin, Liberty CSD



Jisoo
~ Julia Almodova, Liberty CSD

Gold Key winners:

- Julia Almodoval, Liberty High School
- Tiana Helms - Liberty High School
- Andralyn Lagattuta - Liberty High School
- Gabriella Magie - Liberty High School
- Bella Mateo - Liberty High School
- Maria Rakin - Liberty High School
- Julia Rosa- Liberty High School
- Edward Lundquist - Livingston Manor School



Beautiful Bones ~ Andralyn Lagattuta, Liberty CSD

Silver Key winners:

- Julia Almodoval, Liberty High School
- Lucia Gonzalez - Liberty High School
- Tiana Helms - Liberty High School
- Andralyn Lagattuta - Liberty High School



The Legend
~ Gabriella Magie, Liberty CSD



Leaf with Acorns
~ Ty Smith, Eldred CSD

National Competition Update

For the Hudson Valley, Ellie Stewart from Millbrook High School won a National Gold Medal for her Ceramic & Glass sculpture "Crumbing People." She will be honored at a special awards ceremony at the world-famous Carnegie Hall in New York City in June 2019.



For Better or Worse
~ Edward Lundquist,
Livingston Manor CSD

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAYS HIT THE MARK FOR FACULTY & STAFF



February and March are key months for faculty and staff development days at Sullivan BOCES. This year staff members from BOCES and several component districts, participated in a number of workshops that gave them a new perspective on ways to incorporate technology, sensory activities, and other fun activities to enhance student learning. In addition to refreshing their existing skills, staff learned about different practices to address topics, such as working with economically disadvantaged students, literacy, school safety, problem-solving, digital literacy, and online safety.



According to special education teacher Cheryl Johnstone, "The workshops that I participated in were interesting, and I was able to implement some strategies in my classroom."





Workshops:

- The Gift of Attention
- Handle with Care for Small Children
- Incorporating STEM tools into instruction
- Problem Solving by people for people
- Eat Smart NY
- American Heart Association - CPR
- Behavior & Student Relationship
- Classroom partners - Using a Team Approach
- Engaging all students - A Focus on Poverty & Working with Economically Disadvantaged Students
- Sensory Vision Activities
- Online Safety & Digital Literacy
- Literacy Instructional strategies
- IEP Development
- School Safety and more



NEW ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE CLASSES MAKE LEARNING EASIER FOR PARENTS

In collaborative with the Liberty Central School, the BOCES Adult & Continuing Education Program opened a new adult English as a Second Language (ESL) course at the Liberty High School. Initially a pilot program, the class was designed to make attending classes as easy as possible. When parents drop their child off at school, they can go directly into class to participate in ESL instruction. The class is open to adults in the community and new students are welcome.

The program has been very successful. In the next couple of weeks, the Adult Program will open an evening class at the Liberty High School to reach another group of individuals that would like to participate in ESL classes. "Holding the course in the school makes it accessible for the parents," said Valeria Henry, ESL instructor at Sullivan BOCES. "My students can attend classes before they go to work and the new evening class will allow people to attend after work."



The Adult Program is also working with the Fallsburg Central School and the Monticello Central School to establish a pilot program in their districts.

“Transportation has always been an issue for many of the people who attend our classes. Opening classes in our schools and at locations throughout our county will help individuals access classes,” said Scott Palermo, executive principal of the adult & continuing education program at Sullivan BOCES.



Course Schedule:

Liberty High School: Media Center Classroom

Wednesday & Fridays: 8:15 am - 11:15 am

Monday & Wednesdays: 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Fallsburg Firehouse:

Monday & Wednesdays: 5:30 pm - 8:30 pm

Monticello Middle School: Classroom #4

Monday through Thursday: 9:00 am - 1:00 pm





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