Career & Technical Education: where the present meets your future

Student leaders qualify for nationals

Computer app fluencies and business ethics expertise lead to state victories

Back row: Missy Manny, Hannah Peha, Ashleigh Anderson, Katie Leinweber, Mitchell Wilwand, Andrew Dutton

Second row: Natalie Manny, Grace McKeirnan, Clare McKeirnan, Lizbeth Llanes Macias, Nianzu Yan, JohnPaul McKeirnan, Anthony Huerta

> Front row, kneeling: Celina Kidby, Emily Johnson, Lauren Bergman, Ellie Sievertsen, Yordy Garcia, Diego Lara

Nineteen FBLA members attended FBLA State Business Leadership Conference in Spokane, April 19 through April 22, after having qualified at the Regional Winter Conference in February. Eight Wa-Hi students placed in the top four of their individuals or team events and have qualified for the National Leadership Conference in June in Anaheim.

Grace McKeirnan: MOS Excel - 1st place; Spreadsheets - 1st place; Computer Applications - 3rd place

- Katie Leinweber & Lauren Bergman (team): Business Ethics - 1st place
- Natalie Manny: MOS Word 1st place
- Andrew Dutton: Computer Applications - 2nd place

Emily Johnson: MOS Word - 2nd place

Missy Manny: MOS Excel - 2nd place

Clare McKeirnan: MOS Excel -3rd place; Intro to Business Communications - 4th place

Placing in the top ten, but not in the top four:

Lauren Bergman: Advertising - 5th place

- Andrew Dutton: Database Applications - 6th place
- JohnPaul McKeirnan: MOS Word -6th place
- Missy Manny: Computer Applications - 6th place
- Emily Johnson: Spreadsheet Applications - 7th place

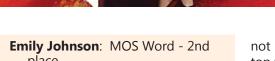
All students took three onsite open exam events at the conference, which do not advance to Nationals. Placing in the top ten were:

- Grace McKeirnan: Catering Hospitality - 2nd place; Real Estate - 6th place
- Hannah Peha: Catering Hospitality - 3rd place; Green Business - 7th place

Yordy Garcia advanced to the finals round in the Sales Presentation event but did not place in the top ten.

According to the Washington FBLA website, there is something for everyone with over 70 competitive events, which can include taking a test, producing something like a game, video or webpage, or making a presentation. Some events are online homesite tests administered prior to the state conference. Students can compete as individuals or as a team, depending on the rules of the event.

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There are still a few spots left in the summer programs at SEATech!

Call 526-2000 to find out more.

CTE news roundup

Updates from the district's Career and Technical Education programs





AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION EVENTS

Agricultural Education students welcomed over 600 elementary students and community members to Farm Day. The goal of farm day is to help increase agricultural literacy by providing hands on activities that support classroom instruction.

Agricultural mechanic students placed 4th at the State Career Development Event in Yakima. Team members were Tristan Case, Colby Ray, Leighton Dorman, Mikaela Forcum and Brock Betzler. They had a great day completing activities in the areas of welding, small gas engines, electrical wiring, structural building, forklifts, hydraulic cylinders, and determining costs for the transportation of Agriculture commodities. This is the highest a team from our chapter has placed at the state level.

Eleven students competed at the Washington State Agriscience Fair in Puyallup. The Agriscience Fair recognizes student researchers studying the application of agricultural scientific principles and emerging technologies in agricultural enterprises. Celeste Plummer, Leighton Droman, Alyssa Drader, Mikayla Hardin, Chloe Koehler, Katelyn Pitzer and Ryan Jackson placed 1st in their division and have earned the right to submit their work to Nationals, which is held in Indianapolis in October.



CONSTRUCTION TECHNOLOGY

On March 27, the Workforce Training and Education Coordinating Board held the 2017 CTE Showcase of Skills in Olympia so that high school and college construction program students could demonstrate their abilities by building 'tiny homes' to be used as homeless shelters. SEATech's team received the top award—'Most Creative Design'—and generated statewide media attention as a result.



AUDIO & VIDEO PRODUCTION

Formerly called 'Digital Media Technology,' SEATech's advanced media program will continue delivering on its promise to meet the demand for better-trained content creators by focusing on the relationship between classic storytelling devices and the specialized techniques that industry pros use to create memorable and compelling viewing (and listening) experiences. New equipment and a comprehensive new curriculum will be unveiled in the fall of 2017.

SEATECH REGISTRATION STILL OPEN

There's still time to take advantage of the course equivalencies and possible college credits available in Advanced Manufacturing and Welding, Audio & Video Production, Construction Technology and Health Science Careers. Talk to a counselor or call 509-526-2000.



Wa-Hi JROTC marksman signs letter of intent

Student leader intends to pursue engineering at the United States Naval Academy

Cadet Major Daniel Enger, a senior graduating in June, formally accepted an appointment to the U.S. Naval Academy at Annapolis, Maryland. The formal ceremony for signing the letter of intent took place on April 25th in the Fletcher Room of the Walla Walla High School gymnasium.

The offer of appointment was sent by Coach Bill Kelley, Rifle Coach at the Academy, and follows Enger's performance at the Junior Olympic National Rifle Championship, according to Sqt. 1st Class Mark Mebes, Wa-Hi JROTC rifle team coach.

"Cadet Enger is the first four-time Junior Olympian from the Walla Walla High School Marksmanship program, attending Junior Olympics for Men's Air Rifle in 2014, 2015, 2016 and 2017 and attending for Men's Smallbore Rifle competition in 2017," said Mebes.

Enger's career in JROTC began when he joined WAHI's JROTC program and began shooting competitively as a freshman. Mebes explained that Daniel distinguished himself as a top athlete quickly and that within months he had earned a coveted place on the precision rifle team. Enger has served as a scoring member of the 2015 and 2016 Army JROTC National Championship rifle teams. As a sophomore in 2015, he captured the title of JROTC National Air Rifle Champion.

Approaching his senior year in 2016, Enger was selected as Rifle Team Commander at the rank of cadet captain, and was promoted to cadet major in February. This position earned him operational control of the Blue Devil Battalion's three rifle companies and the two competitive rifle teams, precision and sporter classes.

Since July of 2016, Enger has been negotiating with several NCAA collegiate rifle coaches as a prospect for next season. In January he traveled to Annapolis for an official NCAA visit.

"I got to tour the campus for two days and attended classes with an NCAA Rifle athlete. I also observed the team practicing and interviewed with the coach," said Enger.

In March, he visited universities at Ohio State and North Carolina, also on official NCAA visits. In April, following a strong performance at the Olympic Training Center, Enger evaluated his offers and decided on the Naval Academy.

"I want to major in engineering. All three colleges have excellent programs, but in the end I felt that the Naval Academy was the best fit for me," Enger explained.

"Daniel has considering been Annapolis since at least his junior year in our program. Military Academies look for three aspects in a prospective cadet;

scholar, athlete, and leader. Daniel has a strong resume in all three areas," said Mebes.

Towards the end of his junior year Daniel began the application process with the Naval Academy. While his course load at Wa-Hi matched the upper level classes that the Academy demands, he needed to beef up the leadership portion of his academy application.

Already carrying a demanding class schedule, he chose to take the allimportant JROTC staff class offered by Lt. Col. Bill Bialozor, the Wa-Hi Senior Army Instructor, to gain those additional skills.

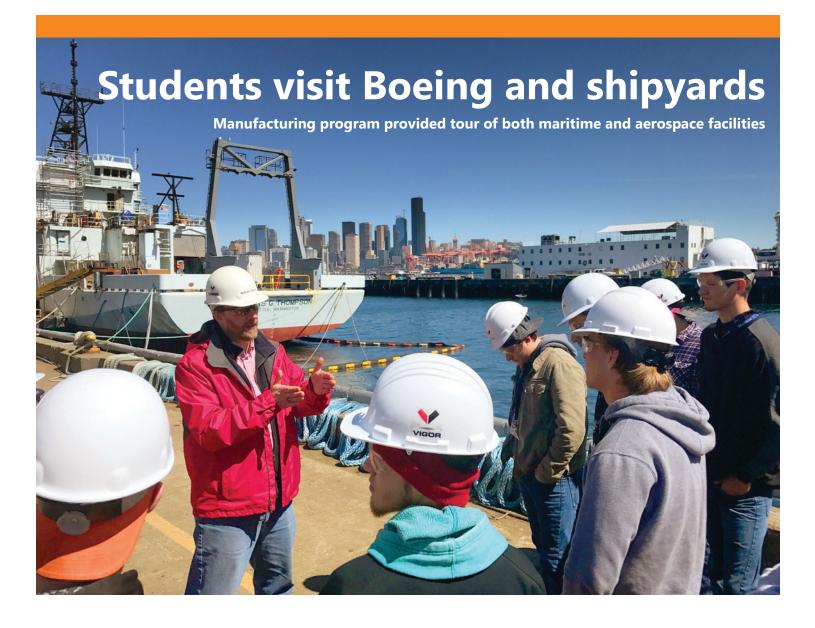
"On the staff. I served as the Rifle Team Commander and learned leadership theory and application. I learned a lot from the colonel this year and it played a lot into my decision," Enger said.

Signing with the Naval Academy today will set in motion a series of events that will keep him busy for the remainder of the school year through this summer.

He will report to Annapolis June 29 to begin Naval Cadet Basic Training (also known as Plebe Summer).

Upon completion of Plebe Summer, Enger will begin his fall semester and start training with the Academy NCAA Division I Rifle Team in preparation for the 2017-18 season.





Opposite page, top: Students learn about shipyard construction and repairs at Vigor.

Opposite page, bottom, front row: Dawson Myrick, Jake Crisp, Irving de Santiago Cisneros, Joel Plasencia, CTE Director Dennis Matson.

Opposite page, bottom, back row: Advanced Manufacturing and Welding Technology Instructor James Polson, Matt Schaefer, Lane Floch, Trevor Johnson, Jacob Needham, Francisco Diaz, Josiah Curnuck, Lot Butler, Alejandro Vasquez.

This page, above: Students continue their tour of Vigor dockside.

The SEATech Advanced Manufacturing class toured several manufacturing and repair facilities on April 20-21. Students visited the Boeing facility in Everett where they toured the training center and learned to rivet, followed by a factory tour. In addition to Boeing, students toured several shipyards and learned about the work they do and the training needed to pursue a career in the maritime field.

Students toured CSR Marine and S3 Maritime, where multi-million dollar sailboats and yachts are serviced and repaired. They also toured Pacific Fishermen, where commercial fishing ships like the ones featured in TV's *Deadliest Catch* are serviced. The final tour stop was Vigor, where they repair and build large ships like the WSDOT ferries.



Top left: Instructor and advisor Eric Matson listens for the competition results with Joshua Rencken, Riley Winnett, Thomas Wilson and Rojelio Saldana. Bottom left: Matson congratulates Winnett on his gold medal. Right: Aaron Page and Ruben Balderas after the award ceremony. Below: Balderas shows off his bronze medal.

SEATech students travel to Yakima for state competitions

Winners of the regional competitions take it to the next level

Back in February, SEATech hosted a regional event for SkillsUSA, a national career and technical student organization. The competition categories included Electrical Wiring and Video Production.

Six SEATech students took top honors at that event and joined students from all across Washington state in a long roster of competitive events that were handson and time-based, which guaranteed an exciting event for all participants.

Construction Technology Instructor Eric Matson took four students who had placed at the regional event, and Digital Media Instructor Jeffrey Townsend brought a team of two filmmakers who received high scores as well. The Electrical Wiring students were Riley Winnett, Thomas Wilson, Rojelio Saldana and Joshua Rencken, and the filmmaking team consisted of Ruben Balderas and Aaron Page.

Winnett won a gold medal, Wilson the silver and Saldana the bronze, and Balderas and Page each took home a bronze medal for their team's win.

Given the stiff competition and the fact that this was SEATech's first time at the state event, the winners and their advisors are proud of their hard work.



National ranking for entrepreneurs

Financial literacy competition challenges students to get a head start on critical life skills

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The Entrepreneurship students placed 13th in the recently concluded H&R Block Budget Challenge session. The competition spanned twelve weeks of personal finance. Students learned and practiced real-world money management skills by paying bills, managing expenses, saving money, investing in retirement, and handling an unexpected event.

Students maximized their tax-deferred while savings enough maintaining money in their checking accounts pay their bills to through a two-month cycle and having an emergency fund for any unexpected event,

like a car accident or a damaged cell phone. They also managed their cash flow on a tight budget with the use of a spreadsheet. Their pay and expenses were typical of a recent college graduate, including having a student loan.

Only students who ranked individually when the simulation ended received a

Certificate of Achievement. Eleven Wa-Hi students earned this honor out of 27,257 students playing.

A student's ranking for the simulation is part of the calculation for the realworld ready score. The highest five realworld ready rankings receive \$20,000 scholarships. Senior Bri Stonebraker

Bri Stonebraker #58 Collin Gabriel #93 Milan Mumm #142 Brandon Wetter #325 Ashleigh Anderson #465 Austin Maiuri #483 Mckinley Hudiburg #551 Andrew Hernandez #622 Noe Diaz #643 Zac Moore #652 Viviana Saldana #772

me feel more confident about investing and managing money and budgets."

"Before the simulation, I only knew what some of these terms were and had no idea how to do things like manage money. I think my main compliment is how realistic the simulation actually was.

Now I know to keep my credit card balance (hopefully) paid off every month."

"I do feel more confident toward financial management because I now know how to keep a budget and pay checks and stay organized."

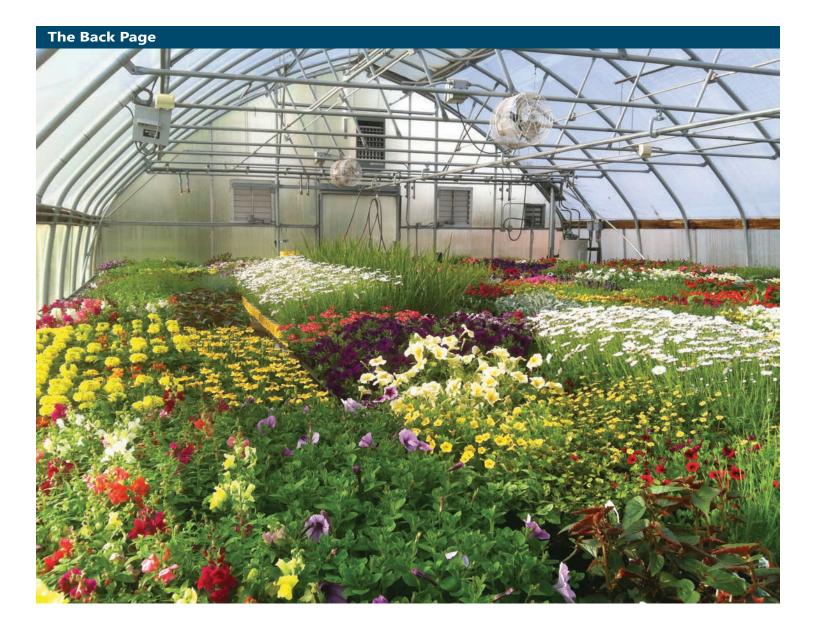
placed 21 out of 101,174 students with her real-world ready score and Collin Gabriel placed 53.

Anonymous Wa-Hi student comments submitted to H&R Block at the end of the simulation:

"H&R Block Budget Challenge helped

"More students should have the opportunity to participate in this."

"I learned about the prices of things such as car loans and student loans. I also learned just how much interest some things really have. Learned a lot about how 401k plans work."



This year's FFA plant sale a big success

And we have daily reports from the front lines to prove it

The annual FFA plant sale was held this year on May 3rd, 4th and 5th, open each day from 8:30am to 5:30pm. It was held on the grass in front of the CTE Building at Wa-Hi, next to the sheep pasture.

Here are the daily reports from the site:

Day One report:

What an amazing first day! We sincerely appreciate all of the support.

Although we don't have a vast inventory left, we still have some really nice plants available.

- Geraniums
- Lobelia (both varieties)



- Safari Marigolds
- A variety of Petunias
- Some really nice Dracaena Spikes
- Dahlias
- 'Hot Lips' Salvia

Day Two report:

We are just about sold out! Still a few Geraniums, Salvia, Marigolds and Petunias left.

Day Three report:

We certainly will not have enough to make it to 5:30 today so we will be putting things away at 3pm...