**Enrollment:** 593, with 51 students on a wait list (as of May 3, 2019)

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**Student Achievement**

**Preliminary School-wide NOCTI data:**  87% Competent or Advanced  57% Advanced

**Preliminary NOCTI Achievement by Program:**

- **100% Advanced**
  - Computer Network Administration
  - Cosmetology
  - Electrical Technology
- **100% Advanced/Competent**
- **90-99% Advanced/Competent**
  - Allied Health
  - Commercial Art
  - Culinary Arts
  - Veterinary Science
  - Welding Technology
- **80-89% Advanced/Competent**
  - HVAC

**Pennsylvania SkillsUSA State Competition Results:**
- Twenty-four students competed at the state competition. Fifteen students (62.5%) came back with medals.
- EASTERN was represented in fourteen competitions and earned medals in six (42.9%).
- We are so proud of all our competitors. Their names have been placed on a separate publication.

**Placement:** A graduate is considered positively placed if he/she is working in a field related to their training at EASTERN, enrolled in post-secondary training/education, or serving in the military.

- **Placement at EASTERN:** 76.0% for 2018, 77.2% 3-year average
- **Essential Question:** Do we provide enough help to students to transition to their career paths before graduation?
- **Revisions to Senior Survey:** We revised questions to ascertain which seniors, by the first week of May, have transitioned into these plans. If the student is entering the workforce, does the student already have a job? If the student is pursuing post-secondary training/education, has the student completed all placement testing and enrollment paperwork? If the student is enlisting in the military, when is the student’s enlistment date?

**Program Updates**

**Computer Network Administration Rebranding:**
- The Computer Network Administration program will be renamed “Networking and Cybersecurity.”
- The curriculum task list will be revised to include more cybersecurity components.
- Dual enrollment classes will be revised to include 3 credits in Cybersecurity from Montgomery County Community College.
- Program certifications offered will now also include CCENT, Microsoft Server+, and Security+.
Potential New Programs

- **Mechatronics**: a hybrid of mechanical, electrical, and computer engineering. This program provides students with an overview of advanced manufacturing career fields related to robotics and automation. Topics of study include: robotics, fluid power systems, electric motor controls and mechanical power transmissions. Students who have completed this program may enter directly into the workforce as a technician or continue their education in college to pursue engineering or other technical majors.

- **Exercise and Sports Science**: the study of human movement with applications in athletic training, physical therapy, and rehabilitation. This program prepares students to enter health care in fields related to exercise and sports science. Topics of study include: emergency care and infection control, exercise science, treatment, rehabilitation and clinical skills, human development, anatomy, physiology and pathophysiology. Students who have completed this program may enter directly into the workforce as a physical therapy aide or continue their education in college to pursue exercise and sports medicine.

Potential Opportunities with Finding an External Location for the Practical Nursing Program

**Current Space Allocation**

**Reconfiguration of existing spaces**

New Programs: **Mechatronics** and **Exercise and Sports Science**
Leadership Activities

Staff Interviews:
- Interviews of every staff member have been completed, giving me a deeper understanding of the roles and responsibilities of each position, future hopes and aspirations of staff members, and opportunities to improve our system.

Leadership Team:
- Team Book study: Brene Brown’s “Dare to Lead”
- Exit outcome: Shared values and a commitment to behaviors that support our shared values

Personal/Professional
- On May 2nd, I was presented with the Delaware Valley University Graduate School Scholar 2019 Award.
- I received approval to present my dissertation research as a round table at ACTE Best Practices Conference and a request to present it at the PDE Cooperative Education Conference.

Legislative Action

Letter was sent to: Senators: Art Haywood, Maria Collett
Representatives: Todd Stephens, Thomas Murt, Steve McCarter, Benjamin Sanchez

I am writing on behalf of the Eastern Center for Arts and Technology to express our priorities and needs in the hopes that you can advocate for career and technical education and more specifically, EASTERN. We appreciate that career and technical education is being championed by many Legislators and the Governor. We are especially grateful for Governor Wolf’s attention to workforce development through his PAsmart initiative. As your legislative team reviews the 2019-2020 state budget, we respectfully ask you to advocate for an alternative placement of the $10 million PAsmart grant. EASTERN is asking that $10 million of the increase in the Career and Technical Education line be distributed in a manner to benefit all students in career and technical education. The best use of an additional $10 million would be to allocate $4 million to the Career and Technical Education Equipment Grant line and $6 million to Career and Technical Education subsidy.

As you look towards future budgets and legislative action, we respectfully ask for your advocacy with the following:

Support construction reimbursements, especially for career and technical schools. Act 82 of 2012 placed a moratorium on applications for school construction reimbursements. The Public School Building Construction and Reconstruction Advisory Committee published Final Report of May 23, 2018 with their recommendations for PlanCon programs. Historically, PlanCon reimbursements have been more favorable for career and technical schools to encourage renovations funded through district partners. Eastern Center for Arts and Technology is housed in an old building and needs renovations to: comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act, update entrances to increase school safety and security, rehabilitate occupational program areas for gender equity, and expand and enhance spaces to promote innovation in programming. Having our consortium districts being eligible to receive construction reimbursement will help encourage our participating districts to invest in our career and technical center.

Develop an alternative formula for funding career and technical schools in Pennsylvania so they are not funded as a budget line item in a participating school district’s budget. Current funding formulas vary among career and technical schools, but most rely on historical enrollment to determine participating school district contributions. This funding mechanism does not encourage districts to fully utilize their technical schools and creates a financial hardship for the technical schools and their consortium districts. Having more of the budget funded through state funding would help to lower the cost-per-pupil rate that the districts must pay to send students to our school and would encourage more participation in career and technical education.

About EASTERN: EASTERN serves approximately 500 high school students from nine districts in eastern Montgomery County and provides valuable training in high-priority and in-demand occupations. EASTERN offers career exploration camps to approximately 150 middle school students to give students a head start in their career selection process. In addition to offering secondary school students with the opportunity to explore careers and acquire necessary technical skills to seek employment and/or further education, EASTERN also hosts post-secondary training for adults in our community. EASTERN’s adult and continuing education program includes a robust Practical Nursing Program which graduates approximately 100 nurses each year and a continuing education program which offers electrical apprenticeship, advanced manufacturing, and certification courses to approximately 250 adults in our community.

Follow Up: I received an unannounced visit from Representative Murt and a letter from Representative Stevens.
HVAC/ARAMARK Relocation

Rationale:

I am proposing relocating HVAC and Aramark to more efficiently and effectively use the space. There are multiple reasons for this move, but the most important reason is to improve instructional delivery. This move would increase the lab space for HVAC, provide a designated theory space, and allow us to increase the program capacity from 36 to 40. HVAC and Electrical are the only programs in the school that share a theory room. While our programs are more “hands on” than their academic counterparts, academic integration and technical knowledge have become integral parts of the instructional programming.

Current Reality:  

Proposed Reality:

Actionable Items to make this happen:

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**Costs estimated and not to exceed $20,000

Upcoming Events:

- May 23, 2019: Pennsylvania Secretary of Labor and Industry, Jerry Oleksiak, will visit EASTERN at 9:00 a.m.
- May 29, 2019: EASTERN Awards Night at Upper Moreland High School auditorium at 7:00 p.m.
- June 24-28, 2019: SkillsUSA National Competition in Louisville, KY. Cassie Lynch will compete in the Customer Service competition. Cassie is senior from Jenkintown enrolled in EASTERN’s Veterinary Science program.