



EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S UPDATE

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Past Events

3/1 District Planning-SP
 3/2 Administrative Advisory
 3/7 Virtual Open House
 5/27 MOD Pizza Fundraiser

Upcoming Events

6/2 Awards Night
 at Upper Moreland Football
 Stadium
 Rain Date 6/9
 6/7 Chipotle Fundraiser

BEST OF LUCK!



EASTERN Students at Work!

The Veterinary Science program was able to gain hands-on skills operating the Doggy Day Care for dogs owned by EASTERN Staff:



The Construction Technology program began work on the exterior garage, an alternative culminating project to replace building a modular home indoors:



Students were able to participate in paid internships:

Program	Teacher	# of Students on Internship
Culinary Arts	Mr. Zachmann	1
Automotive Technology	Mr. Stahl	2
Collision Technology	Mr. Parke	5
HVAC	Mr. Jacoby	3
Construction Technology	Mr. Pakula	3
Electrical Technology	Mr. Felmey	1
Welding Technology	Mrs. Cicchino	5

EASTERN was voted top 100 places to work in the Philadelphia region

Thank you to the staff who took the survey and who make EASTERN a wonderful place to work.

2021-2022 Enrollment at EASTERN

Enrollment at EASTERN is at 643, with 39 students on a wait list as of May 28, 2021. This is a 25% increase over the past five years.

Potential New Program

In June, the EASTERN JOC will be asked to approve opening an Exercise and Sports Management program. If approved, this program will be offered starting the 2022-2023 school year.

Superintendent of Record Recognition

Dr. Wagner Marseille has been a Superintendent at Cheltenham School District since 2015 and served as Superintendent of Record of EASTERN for the past year. We wish Dr. Marseille the best of luck and thank him for his service to EASTERN.

Retirement: Supervisor of CTE

The Joint Operating Committee accepted the retirement of Allison Larson, Supervisor of Career and Technical Education, effective June 30, 2021. EASTERN thanks Mrs. Larson for her dedicated service and her many contributions to the betterment of the school. Mrs. Larson has served this school since July 1, 2012.

Selection of Supervisor of CTE

Gerry Rooney was selected as the Supervisor of CTE starting in July 1, 2021.

Open House

EASTERN's 2021 Open House was held virtually on Sunday, March 7 from 1- 3:30 p.m. All teachers provided three 30-minute presentations for prospective students and held a fourth session to answer questions. We are very thankful to our district counselors who helped share the opportunity with 9th, 10th, and interested 11th grade students. While the turnout was lower than our traditional Open House, we estimate that each program received an average of 20 students.

Renovation-Phase II

This summer we will begin Phase II of renovations:

- Improve Automotive Program space to enhance capacity, safety, and accessibility.
- Permanently move the computer lab which will be used temporarily as a second Allied Health Classroom until clinical (job shadowing) opportunities open again.
- Enhance the safety/security, accessibility, and efficiency of the main office.
- Improve Practical Nursing classroom to adequately hold 24 adult learners.

Physician of Record

An agreement was made between Abington Memorial Hospital and EASTERN for services of a Physician of Record effective March 1, 2021.

Student Recognition

Students of the Month for March - May

Camryn Pressman, Cosmetology, Lower Moreland
Jessica Derricks, Cosmetology, Abington
Brianna Rios, Culinary Arts, Hatboro-Horsham

Congress-Bundestag Recipients

Matt Wiggins – Culinary – Abington
 Kayla Marshal – Business and Technology - Cheltenham

SkillsUSA State Competition

In April, EASTERN students participated virtually in the SkillsUSA State Competition, competing against students from seven other career and technical. First place winners will attend a virtual National Competition in June 2021.

1st Place Gold Medal

Action Skills: Ben Hoffman, Culinary Arts, Upper Dublin

Customer Service: Nicole Klaski, Commercial Art, Abington

Job Interview: Kayla Marshall, Business and Technology Professional, Cheltenham

2nd Place Silver Medal

Esthetics: Lillian Trump, Cosmetology, Cheltenham

Promotional Bulletin Board:

Laurence Jacoby, Commercial Art, Springfield

Sarah Boyce, Commercial Art, Springfield

Isabella Iannuzzi, Commercial Art, Abington

3rd Place Bronze Medal

Medical Terminology: Cashmearmarya Moore, Allied Health, Cheltenham

Photography: Erica Layson, Commercial Art, Abington

Cosmetology

EASTERN has implemented creative solutions to assist our Cosmetology seniors finish their required tasks and hours to earn their State Board of Cosmetology license. These include:

- **Antigen Testing:** EASTERN implemented the Project Act-IT (Assisting Childhood Education through Increased Testing) COVID-19 testing initiative through CHOP and Montgomery County Department of Health for seniors in the Cosmetology program so they can safely finish necessary skills to gain their state license.
- **Extended Summer Cosmetology:** An additional two weeks will be offered in August in addition to the 6 weeks traditionally offered.
- **EASTERN Tuition Waiver:** EASTERN will waive the \$10/hour Adult and Continuing Education fee for Cosmetology students graduating in the Spring of 2021 for up to 100 hours per student.