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## CTE Health Occupation Students showcased their skills at HOSA competition

CTE Health Occupation students recently competed at the Health Occupations of America, (HOSA) regionals hosted by Saginaw Valley State University (SVSU) on December 8, 2023. Among the participants, five outstanding students have advanced to the state level competition in three categories: CPR/First Aid, Medical Math, and Medical Terminology.

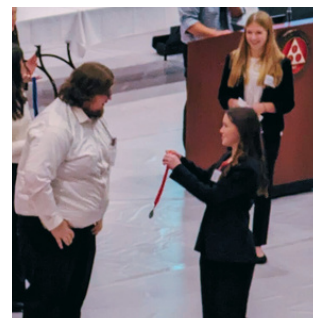
The talented individuals earning a spot at the upcoming state event include Hunter Rouleau (Harrison) in Medical Terminology, a partnered team comprising Kaydasin Sant (Harrison) and Megan Vincent (Gladwin) in CPR/First Aid, Matthew Homes (Harrison) in Medical Math, and Jade (Jax) Shearer from Gladwin displaying proficiency in Medical Terminology.

The upcoming state competition is scheduled to take place in Traverse City on April 18th and 19th. As these dedicated students prepare to represent their schools and communities, their achievements demonstrate the commitment to excellence within the HOSA program.



Five students from the CTE Health Occupation program advance to state competition in Traverse City in April.

Hunter Rouleau was awarded a medal for securing the 2nd position overall in the Medical Terminology competition.





### STUDENTS OF THE MARKING PERIOD

## CTE Program Honors Exceptional Students

The Clare-Gladwin CTE program proudly congratulates exceptional students named "Students of the Marking Period" for their outstanding commitment and excellence in respective classes, as acknowledged by teachers.



### MARKING PERIOD 1

- Grace Hoag of Beaverton and Ava Geer of Gladwin (Agricultural Science)
- Brennan Beemer of Harrison (Advanced Manufacturing)
- Trenton Bush of Gladwin (Automotive Technology)
- Haylie Allsop of Harrison, Matthew Mast and Owhin Thompson of Clare (Construction Trades)
- Josie Dungerow and Casey Brand of Gladwin (Criminal Justice)
- Liberty Green of Clare and Brayden Dee of Gladwin (Culinary Arts)
- Jesse Huber of Clare (Diesel Technology)
- Lindsay Ashley and Colton Kleinhardt of Clare (Digital Media)
- Kat Pigeon of Clare and Karly Bacon of Harrison (Education Occupations)
- Matthew Holmes of Harrison and Clara Wrona of Farwell (Health Occupations)
- Tustyn Yarger of Clare and Tucker Trinca of Gladwin (Welding Technology).

### MARKING PERIOD 2

- Kalli McGraw and Javier Beavers of Clare (Education Occupations)
- Hunter Rouleau and Taylor Shull of Harrison (Health Occupations)
- Riley Baxter and Jasmin Fischer of Farwell (Culinary Arts)
- Wyatt VanBuskirk of Farwell and Emily Morgan of Gladwin (Welding Technology)
- Angie Snow of Harrison and Nik Mattoon of Gladwin (Digital Media)
- Madison Jones and Siara Gilmore of Clare (Agricultural Science)
- Blake Davenport of Harrison and Drew Hoag of Gladwin (Criminal Justice)
- Donavin Marshall of Clare (Diesel Technology)
- Jacob R Cuddie of Gladwin and Matthew M Firman of Farwell (Automotive Technology)
- Alex Krzyzanowski of Clare, Alexander Yost of Gladwin and Cody Muma of Beaverton (Construction Trades)
- Conner Christian of Beaverton (Advanced Manufacturing)



## From CTE Welding Class to Work-Based Learning: Landon Sharp Gains Real-world Experience

**Landon Sharp**, a second-year **CTE welding** student at **Harrison High School**, gains hands-on experience in his work-based learning position at **Smith Truck Body**. Specializing in upfitting commercial trucks with Hooklifts and Rolloffs to Flatbeds, Smith offers wetline hydraulic kits, repair, and refurbishment for diverse models.

As an installation mechanic, Landon reflects on applying skills from the CTE welding class, stating, "I use many of the skills I gained in my welding class. Everything I practiced with MIG welding there, I put into action here." He adds, "At Smith, I am learning even more about welding, particularly overhead welding and understanding the dos and don'ts in specific situations."

Landon originally enrolled in the CTE welding class because he was uncertain about his career path. He recalls, "I didn't know what I wanted to do, and honestly, I didn't want to be in school. Welding sounded fun, so I decided to give it a try," and it turned out to be something he enjoyed. This led him to sign up for a second year at CTE.

Working at Smith Truck Body, Landon does a bit of everything—electronics, hydraulics, welding, and fabrication. When asked about what he's learned, Landon says, "I've picked up electrical skills like wiring lights and entire towers. Also, I know about hydraulics and how to operate hoists. Working here is more than just welding and I've learned so many new skills I wouldn't have gotten without this opportunity."

For future CTE students, Landon recommends trying work-based learning (WBL) when Welding Instructors Phil and Nick offer it. "This opportunity will help you understand the difference between practicing in a lab with classmates and the actual world" he said. "It's more than just assignments from Phil and Nick – it's about being in the field, learning from experienced people in the industry."

When asked about his plans after high school, Landon said he intends to stay and gain more experience at Smith Truck Body. However, he envisions transitioning into the pipeline industry as a long-term goal within the next few years.

Landon's success shows how CTE programs can turn students into skilled professionals. His story is an inspiration for other students interested in welding, and it shows how CTE education can lead to promising careers.

## CTE Teacher Anthony Wood receives MFB's 2023 Educator of the Year Award

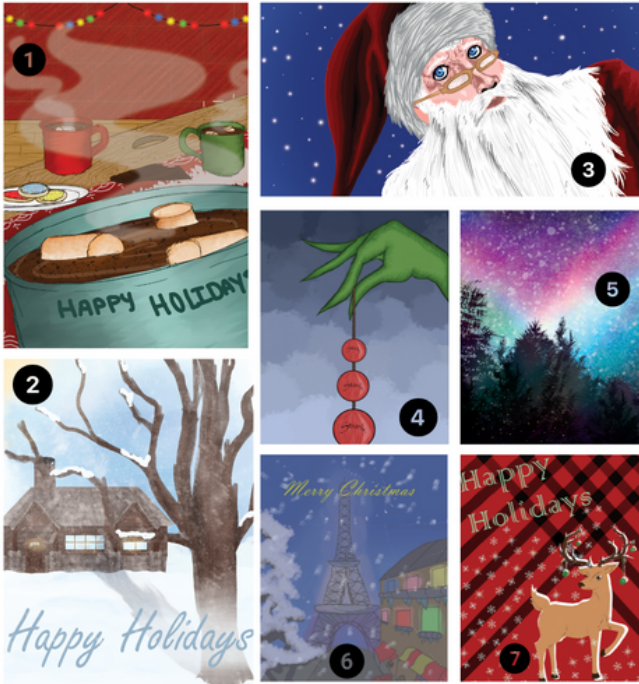


Anthony Wood  
Agricultural Science Instructor



**CTE Agricultural Science Instructor, Anthony Wood**, has been named Michigan Farm Bureau's (MFB) 2023 Educator of the Year on Nov. 28 for his impactful mentorship and dedication to student development. Anthony's active mentorship, highlighted at the MFB's 104th State Annual Meeting, has been instrumental in developing leadership skills of our CTE students through summer camps, classwork, and FFA activities. This award has earned him a \$500 grant, and a \$1,000 scholarship to attend the 2023 National Agriculture in the Classroom Conference in Orlando, Florida.

Congratulations to Anthony for this remarkable achievement in agricultural education! Check out the video below featuring Anthony. For full article on Anthony Wood by the Michigan Farm Bureau visit <https://www.michfb.com/about/news-media/clare-county-teacher-receives-mfbs-2023-educator-year-award> OR Click [HERE](#).



**CGRES D HOLIDAY CARD DESIGNED BY DIGITAL MEDIA STUDENTS**

This year's CGRES D Holiday Card was made using creative designs submitted by students participating in the CGRES D **CTE Digital Media** Program. With so many excellent entries, it was a difficult task, but after careful consideration, the winners were chosen. Congratulations on the following students selected to present their artwork on this year's Holiday Card!

1. Emma, Harrison Community Schools (Cover)
2. Isabella, Gladwin High School (Back)
3. Tyler, Clare High School (Inside)
4. Aaron, Clare High School (Inside)
5. Leilani, Gladwin High School (Inside)
6. Noah, Beaverton High School (Inside)
7. Jaden, Farwell High School (Inside)

**CTE CULINARY ARTS STUDENTS SAVOR SUCCESS AT PROSTART BOOT CAMP**

Clare-Gladwin **CTE Culinary Arts** students enjoyed an exciting day at the ProStart Boot Camp, held at the Suburban Collection Showplace. Special thanks to the Michigan Hospitality Foundation for organizing this fantastic event! The students had the opportunity to explore various aspects of the culinary world, gaining insights into tabletop design, management, recipe costing, competition cooler packing, cake decorating, knife skills, sauce preparation and pasta making. The event, hosted in Novi, drew around 300 students from different parts of the state.



**CTE PREPARES EDUCATION OCCUPATION STUDENTS FOR FUTURE THROUGH COLLEGE EXPLORATION**

Students in the **CTE Education Occupations** program explored the education field through college field trips, visiting Ferris State University, Saginaw Valley State University, and Western Michigan University. During these excursions, they participated in small group sessions, explored campuses, and engaged in leadership activities. CTE prepares students for future success by providing knowledge and skills through active participation in various activities, events, and competitions, for both college and careers.



**GLADWIN FESTIVAL: CTE CRIMINAL JUSTICE STUDENTS VOLUTEER FOR PARADE**

On Saturday, December 3rd, **CTE Criminal Justice** students visited Gladwin to contribute their time and efforts to the Gladwin Annual Festival of Lights. Their participation in the parade involved pulling an inflated Candy Castle and engaging with spectators who had gathered to enjoy the event. The parade committee expressed deep gratitude for the students' valuable assistance, ensuring that everyone had a fantastic time.




**CONSTRUCTION CLASS BUILDS CABINS FOR GLADWIN CITY PARKS**


The **CTE Construction** students are building two cabins for the Gladwin City Parks, scheduled for completion in the Spring. Once finished, these cabins will be transported to the Gladwin City Park/Campground. This project not only highlights the capabilities of the CTE Construction class but also equips students with practical, real-world skills.



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### CTE 2023: A Year in Review

As CTE finished up a successful 2023 we reflected on some of the highlights from this past year.

1. CTE Construction Trades held a competition for building deer blinds at the Magnus Center and placed 3rd overall.
2. Health Occupations students traveled to Ferris State University, gaining firsthand experience with their health programs.
3. Welding students participated in the Michigan Industrial and Technology Education Society (MITES) competition in May where they were able to show off their skills. In this photo Ruby Frisch shows off her beautifully made peacock
4. Digital Media student, Olivia Higgins won the Grand award in animation at the MITES competition.
5. Jhace Massey, Advanced Manufacturing student from Gladwin working with the machines to shape a tool.
6. Clare-Gladwin CTE summer camp hosted students in grades 7-11, providing them the opportunity to explore potential career choices through hands-on training.
7. CTE Diesel and Heavy Equipment Technology students visited Alma Tire on a field trip to gain a unique insight into the business and the work they would be doing as professionals.
8. Culinary Art students had a great time at the ProStart Boot Camp, where they learned about tabletop design, management, recipe costing, and gained many other valuable aspects.
9. Volunteers from CTE and MID Michigan College were at the Reality Store, guiding students in career planning, money management and budgeting decisions.
10. The Criminal Justice class conducted mock interviews, providing students with the opportunity to be interviewed by professionals to develop and refine their interview skills.
11. The Agricultural Science class sent 6 students to the Michigan Farm Bureau Regional High School Discussion meet, with Madison Forfinski from Farewell and Cadian Ross from Gladwin, advancing to the Michigan Farm Bureau State High School Discussion.



12. The Education Occupations class traveled to Ferris State to expand their knowledge in the field. During the visit, students participated in breakout sessions, campus tours and leadership activities. In March, the Clare Gladwin RESD CTE
13. programs hosted their annual Reverse Job Fair attracting 52 employers who engaged in discussions and brief interviews with participating students.

14. CTE Automotive program students gain hands-on skills as they work on cars, guided by their instructor.

These are just a few of the many accomplishments by CTE students in 2023. We are appreciative to all of our amazing instructors, support staff, community partners, area schools administrators, and parents for everything you do.