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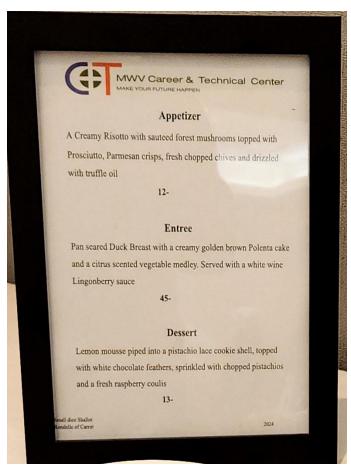
## Conway School Board Report - March 11, 2024

The following report highlights significant activities and achievements in our various career and technical education programs.

Culinary Arts (Bryant Alden, Mary Donovan): On Tuesday, March 8th, our Culinary students took part in one of the most challenging competitions of the season: the New Hampshire ProStart® Competition. This year, 11 schools from NH competed against each other to create two identical three-course meals to present to professional chefs from around New England. The only equipment provided by the competition venue were three 8-foot tables and one electric burner. Schools were responsible for bringing every single item needed to create this gourmet meal from scratch, including food, knives, supplies, non-electric equipment, and more. They had exactly one hour to complete the task. This year, we achieved an incredible 3rd place in the competition, which is a remarkable accomplishment. Additionally, the students' "competition book," containing the menu, recipes, cost analysis, photos, journals and presentation pointers, received a perfect score of 100 points. ProStart® is a nationwide, two-year program for high school students that cultivates the best and brightest talent into tomorrow's industry leaders. From culinary techniques to management skills, ProStart's industry-driven curriculum offers real-world educational opportunities and develops practical skills and a foundation that will last a lifetime.







**Extended Learning Opportunities (ELOs) (Christine Thompson):** The past few months have produced many creative and innovative student learning experiences. Just to highlight a few:

- A group of concerned students have been working hard this year on a group ELO to improve the school climate. They have named themselves "Student Advocates" and liaise between the school administration and the student body. In addition to being a great addition to the school, they will also be presenting their work and competing in May at the UNH Community Changemaker Challenge https://www.unh.edu/sustainability/student-education-engagement/community-changemaker-challenge. They are very excited and will undoubtedly represent our school well.
- Aspiring journalist Ayden King has had an exciting few months. His ELO has him partnering with Magic 104.5 FM and the Conway Daily Sun. If you are a Magic 104.5 listener, you have likely heard Ayden on air, and recently, his first article highlighting KHS alumni Sullivan Gaudreault, was published in the Conway Daily Sun. Next month, another aspiring journalist, Eliana Newton, will be submitting another alumni spotlight article. We thank the Conway Daily Sun and Magic 104.5 for these exciting opportunities.

In addition to the new projects noted above, some of our most recently added community partners include: Eastern Slope Dental, White Mountain National Forest Saco River Ranger District, Mount Washington Valley Vision, Emery G. Roberts Excavation, Core Community Fitness, Maggio Hair Salon. They join a long list of fantastic community partners. We appreciate their time and effort on

Outdoor Recreation (Darron Laughland, Christine Thompson, Jeanne Twehous): On Friday, March 1st, the Outdoor Recreation program and KHS Outing Club hosted a Film Festival in the Loynd Auditorium. The festival served as a fundraiser for our local heroes of the Mountain Rescue Service (MRS) and our Outdoor Rec program. Three films produced by Arc'teryx were screened, followed by a question and answer session with MRS members. Arc'teryx, the rugged outdoor lifestyle brand, embodies the spirit of resilience and innovation while embracing the elements, weathering storms and scaling new heights with unwavering determination. Arc'teryx is more than just a brand; it's a fearless trailblazer, leading the way to new frontiers of exploration and discovery. The films depicting mountain adventures and misadventures were created as submissions for the Sundance Film Festival in Utah. Prior to this, they embarked on a world tour that commenced in New York City last fall. MWVCTC extends its gratitude to Joe Lentini, a team leader with MRS, for providing access to these films. Additionally, economic data on Outdoor Recreation in the U.S. and New Hampshire was presented. The event attracted over 200 attendees and raised \$2000.





