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We are now preparing for the Freshman Transition Night on Wednesday, March 15th. The Center will be open with all teachers in attendance to welcome the incoming freshmen and their families. Once again, the MWVCTC ambassadors will be tour guides for all. The Culinary students will prepare and serve light refreshments. In the gym, we will hold a *KHS Student Life Fair* which will feature student representatives from extracurricular clubs and activities to give the incoming freshmen information about life beyond the classroom.

Career & Technical Student Organizations (CTSOs) Competition Season (all teachers): Currently we are in the midst of competition season. Career and Technical Student Organizations (CTSO) enhance student learning through contextual instruction, leadership and personal development, applied learning, and real-world application. CTSOs work as an integral component of the classroom curriculum and instruction, building upon employability and career skills and concepts through the application and engagement of students in hands-on demonstrations and real-life and/or work experiences through a Career and Technical Education (CTE) program. CTSO's help guide students in developing a career path, a program of study and provide opportunities in gaining the skills and abilities needed to be successful in those careers through CTSO activities, programs and competitive events. In addition, students have opportunities to hold leadership positions at the local, state, and national level and attend leadership development conferences to network with other students as well as business and industry partners. Most competitions take place in March, however, the DECA Marketing students competed in February and had a great showing.

DECA Marketing Club (Greg Allain): In February, our DECA club was in Manchester for the NH State DECA Conference. Students competed in several different categories as well as attended workshops throughout the conference. The students that competed were Joce Anzaldi, Kaia Chakravadhanula, Kendall Krieger, Lilla Synnott, Peter Rogers, Nate Lynn, Brady Hooper, Kayla Erwin, Evan Koroski, Ben Dougherty, Allie Hussey, Georgia Coleman, Marissa Caputo, Avery Whitelaw, Cami Newton, and Piper Lopashanski. Overall, DECA club members won 11 medals as well as had three students qualify for the national conference in Orlando during the April vacation week. The winners are as follows: Joce Anzaldi - Nationals qualifier - 2nd on the written test, 1st in both of her role plays, making her 1st overall in **Entrepreneurship**;

Brady Hooper - Nationals qualifier - 2nd on the written test and role play, making him 2nd overall in **Professional Selling**;

Lilla Synnott – Nationals qualifier - 1st on the written test, 2nd in the role play, making her 3rd overall in **Food Marketing**;

Kaia Chakravadhanula - 1st on the written test - Sports & Entertainment Marketing;
Peter Rogers - 3rd in the role play - Quick Serve Food Service;
Kendall Krieger - 3rd on the written test - Quick Serve Food Service;
Ben Dougherty - 2nd in role play #1, 3rd in role play #2 - Restaurant & Food Service Management.





Aviation (Joe Riddensdale): Another solo flight! Jack Calderwood turned 16 over February vacation week and celebrated by flying his first solo on Saturday, February 25. Jack did three amazing well executed take-offs and landings on his own while instructor Woody looked on from the ground.





Robotics (Dan Mack, Joe Riddensdale): Kennett Coders Team 5106F consisting of two freshmen qualified for the NH-VT 2023 State Vex Robotics Championship at Manchester Community College on February 18. The Kennett Coders represented Kennett High School well, treated other teams with respect and earned the respect of many others at the event as one of the best teams at the tournament.



Outdoor Recreation (various teachers): Two opportunities were offered to our students in February as our Outdoor Recreation programming ramps up. The first opportunity was a two-day ice climbing adventure offered during February vacation week. International Mountain Climbing Guides (IMCG) worked with the KHS Outing Club Advisor, Darron Laughland, and eight students to learn what it takes to climb a frozen waterfall. IMCG stresses safety awareness and promotes personal responsibility. The intent of the program was to provide the knowledge to move safely and efficiently over varied terrain and learn skills that will enhance future climbing experiences. This was also an opportunity for our students involved with the UNH/CAST Outdoor Recreation research project (see last month's report) to use their OR folios to track STEM competencies found in various outdoor activities.







The second opportunity arose when our Visual Media Arts instructor, Abbey Donaldson, collaborated with the Mount Washington Back Country Ski Festival organizers to enter high school students into the Diamond 48 Film Festival. Our students were able to combine their love of backcountry skiing with their video storytelling skills to create a 2 ½ minute action film. The film, titled *How Ya Feeling?* was clearly an audience favorite and ended up tying for 1st place. The students split the \$1000 prize with Carrabasset Valley Ski Academy students.





Here is a link to the film: <u>Diamond 48 Film Festival 2023</u>