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Skills For A Lifetime

*SST Certificate
Ceremony
Thursday,
June 1st
5:30 p.m.
Talbot Gym
Exeter HS*

A BIT OF ADVICE

Having worked in the field of education for more than 15 years there is a great deal of advice I could offer you regarding your child's education. However, if I had to choose just one piece of advice to give you it would be to see that your child takes math. In fact, your child should take the most challenging math courses available and enroll in math courses as many semesters as possible throughout high school. I am telling you this because in study after study math is found to be the key, the gateway, if you will, to success in a career and success in college. I read a report stating that the performance of students in Algebra I is the single most reliable indicator of their earnings at age 25! That is quite powerful. Another survey found that "Mathematical fluency is the single best predictor of college performance in biology, chemistry, and physics, giving strong advantage to students whose high school science courses integrate mathematics" (p.15, *National Science Teachers Association Report*, April 2006). In addition to reading about the importance of mathematics, I frequently hear about its value from people in local business and industry. SST recently held a meeting with many such people and we heard over and over again that one of their greatest needs is for their employees to have math skills. The requirement for solid math skills is important for *all* of our students. Students in Welding Technologies, Automotive Technologies, Building Construction Technology and Culinary Arts will find math to be just as vital to their profession as students in Computer Programming and Health Sciences & Technologies. Do your child a favor and insist they take math and don't forget opportunities for math during the senior year, a time when so many students do not carry a full schedule of courses!

Margaret Callahan
Assistant Principal

REQUIRED FINAL EXAMS FOR ALL SST STUDENTS

SST final exams are scheduled for May 31 for seniors and June 9 & 12 for underclass students. All students are required to be present at SST on those days. If students have a conflict, they must make arrangements with Mrs. Pierce or Mr. Bruno IN ADVANCE. Students and parents are encouraged to read the last page of this newsletter which gives detailed information about SST exams.

Students who miss exams or who do NOT call prior to the exam will receive a "0". SST final exams count 10% of the year's grade.

HEALTH SCIENCES & TECHNOLOGIES STUDENTS FARE WELL AT HOSA STATE LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

Health Sciences & Technologies student Ellie Platte of Exeter has been elected New Hampshire State HOSA Secretary for next year! The following students placed at the NH HOSA Conference in Nashua: Jonae Jones, Raymond, 1st place in Dental Spelling; Brittany Park, Raymond and Becky Toomire, Epping, 3rd place in EMT; Kalley Caputo, Epping and Jen Scruton, Sanborn, 3rd place in Career Health Display; Ashley Dolan and Becky Putnam, Sanborn, 3rd place in Health Education; Jess Pelley, Exeter, 4th place in Extemporaneous Health Poster; Ellie Platte, 3rd place in Prepared Speaking. Many of these students will be traveling to Anaheim, CA to compete at the national HOSA Convention.

MARKETING EDUCATION STUDENTS CLAIM MANY AWARDS AT DECA STATE CAREER DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCE

Seventeen SST Marketing students were among the 350 DECA students that participated in the DECA State Conference in Nashua. Overall State winners included Bryn Adler, Exeter, 2nd place in Marketing Management; Matt Law, Sanborn, 2nd place in Quick Serve Restaurant Management; Amanda Menard, Epping, Leah Rice, Kathryn Sarhanis, Exeter, 2nd place in "Civic Consciousness." Medal winners in Marketing Management included Bryn Adler, 2nd and 3rd place, Kim Archambault, Epping, 3rd place, Drew Neville, Exeter, 3rd place. Matt Law received a 2nd & 3rd place medal in Quick Serve Restaurant Management. Certificates of Competency were awarded as follows: Apparel and Accessories - Katelyn Jones, Newmarket; Candice Castro and Renna Muhieddin, Winnacunnet; Marketing Management - Entina Bounnavong, Newmarket; Bryn Adler, Drew Neville, Kathryn Sarhanis, Exeter; Quick Serve Restaurant Management - Matt Law; Retail Merchandising - Jenny Sinclair, Exeter; Sports and Entertainment Marketing - Anton Capria and Matt Coffey, Exeter; Vehicle Marketing - Josh Letourneau, Newmarket. Leah Rice, Kathryn Sarhanis, Amanda Menard and Matt Law traveled to Dallas, Texas for the National DECA Convention at the end of April.

SKILLS USA STUDENTS TAKE GOLD

Two SST seniors placed first in Skills USA competitions held in Nashua. Culinary Arts student, Emily Gauthier, of Epping, took the Gold Medal in the Job Interview competition. Automotive Technologies student, Alex Scott, of Newmarket, took the Gold Medal in the Auto Collision Repair Technology competition. Both of these students are eligible to compete at the National Skills USA convention to be held in Kansas City, Kansas in June.

ANIMAL & PLANT SCIENCE, WELDING TECHNOLOGIES AND TECHNOLOGY CAREERS STUDENTS SHINE AT FFA STATE CONVENTION

The SST Chapter of the FFA turned in another strong performance at the State Convention in Bartlett. Winners included: Environmental Issues - 2nd place team of Lexi Africano and Rose Westbrook, Winnacunnet; Angie Mansfield, Raymond, Mary Prescott, Epping; Individual - 2nd place Mary Prescott, 4th place Lexi Africano; Dairy Foods - 2nd place team of Lexi Africano, Jenny Long and Lauren Page, Exeter; Kim Murphy, Raymond; Quiz Bowls Horse - 2nd place team of Diane Holt, Colleen McKenna, Andie Cole, Exeter and Lester

Barthelemy, Epping; Ag. Mechanics - 1st place team of John Grenier, Jay Rice, Andrew Clough and Jeff Nadeau, Epping; Job Interview Junior Division - 4th place Colleen McKenna; Senior Division - 4th Place Mary Prescott; Ag. Sales - 3rd place team of Dominic Dilmore, Winnacunnet, Diane Holt, Andie Cole and Mary Prescott; FFA Creed - 2nd place Dominic Dilmore, 3rd place Kiah Wiggin, Sanborn; 4th place Erin Trainor, Winnacunnet; Prepared Speaking 2nd place Jenny Long, 3rd place Elysia McGlashing, Exeter; Impromptu Speaking - 2nd place Novice Kiah Wiggin, 2nd place Experienced Jenna Rivais, Exeter; Extemporaneous Speaking - 2nd place Kiah Wiggin, 3rd place Erin Trainor, Winnacunnet, 4th place Lexi Africano; Skill :Demonstration 10th Grade - 1st place Lester Barthelemy; 11th Grade 1st Place - Diane Holt, 2nd place Dana Brotz, Sanborn, 3rd place Colleen McKenna, 4th place Andie Cole; 12th Grade - 1st place Elysia McGlashing, 2nd place Jenna Rivais, 3rd place Mary Prescott.

Dairy Cattle Showmanship - 1st place Tricia Price, Epping; Horse Career Development Event -1st place team of Erin Concannon, Kiah Wiggin, Diane Holt, Andie Cole, Exeter. Individual -1st place Kiah Wiggin, 4th place Diane Holt; Management -1st place Lauren Page, Exeter; Novice Showmanship -1st place Kiah Wiggin, 3rd place Andie Cole, 5th place Diane Holt; State Star in Ag Placement -1st place Mary Prescott; Gold Dominic Dilmore; State Star in Agribusiness - 1st place Rose Westbrook, Gold Diane Crowell, Gold Erin Trainor, Silver Krystal Earle, Winnacunnet; State Star in Agriscience - 1st Place Jenna Rivais; State Star Greenhand Placement - 1st place Kiah Wiggin; Gold Colleen McKenna; Silver Lester Barthelemy; Proficiencies: Ag Production - 1st place Erin Trainor; Ag. Sales - 1st place Diane Crowell; Small Animal Production - 1st place Jenna Rivais; Gold Dominic Dilmore; Silver Rose Westbrook; Bronze Krystal Earle; Equine Science - 1st place Mary Prescott.

FCCLA CHAPTER ATTENDS STATEWIDE CONFERENCE

Twenty students from the Early Childhood Education program at the Seacoast School of Technology attended the annual NH FCCLA State Conference in Bartlett recently and the group came home with many team and individual honors. Winners included: Early Childhood Education - Chelsea Berube, Gold medal and 1st place in the state; Kayla Puchlopek, Newmarket, and Kelly Winget, Exeter, Silver medal and a 1st place in Chapter Showcase; National Programs in Action - Sarah Cranor, Exeter; Nikole St. Laurent, Newmarket; and Christopher Toomire, Epping 1st place and a Silver medal. In Chapter Service, the team of Kelsey Bird, Sanborn, Diana Eaton, Sanborn, and Missy McElreavy, Exeter took home 1st place and a Silver medal. These students are now eligible to attend the FCCLA National Conference in Nashville, Tennessee in July. Other winners included Brianna Fowler, Exeter, Silver medal and 2nd place in Job Interview; Chelsea Durell, Exeter, Silver medal and 1st place in Storytelling; Jessica Bernard, Raymond, Ashley Ferris, Epping, Elise Morgan, Raymond, Silver medal and 3rd place in Focus on Children; and Heather DeRoo, Epping, Bill Dow, Exeter, Amanda Shattuck, Raymond, Silver medal and 2nd place in the FCCLA Chapter Display event.

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL FOR ALL SST STUDENTS IS AUGUST 29!

It is hard to imagine, but we are already planning for the fall and the return to school! **We expect all students to return to SST on Tuesday, August 29 through Thursday, August 31** for orientation and to meet all the new students and teachers. Our students have had strong starts as a result of the orientation. Note that Exeter High School seniors will not have classes at EHS on August 29, however, EHS does require that seniors attend SST on August 29 and will provide buses. Please note that the SST Orientation is a mandatory activity for all students. Thank you for your help in getting your student off to a great start at SST!