

Alcorn Career and Technology Times

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Words of Wisdom

"You can make more friends in two months by becoming interested in other people than you can in two years by trying to get other people interested in you."

-Dale Carnegie

"It is our choices that show what we truly are, far more than our abilities."

-Harry Potter

"Great things are done by a series of small things brought together."

-Vincent Van Gogh

Student of the Year

The Alcorn Career and Technology Center is pleased to announce that Kaitlyn Box has been named the 2017 ACTC Student of the Year. Kaitlyn, the daughter of Kevin and Kristle Box and Jinger Box, is a senior at Kossuth High School. She is a program completer in both the Health Sciences program and Polymer Science Program at ACTC and was nominated for this honor by her Health Sciences instructor, Mrs. Tila Johnson.

At the Alcorn Career and Technology Center, Kaitlyn is a member of the HOSA organization, where she serves as president, and the Polymer Science Club, where she currently serves as vice-president. She serves as a Career Delegate for the Alcorn Career and Technology Center and is also the student member for the ACTC administrative and guidance advisory committee. At Kossuth High School, she has been a member of FBLA, FFA, the Spanish Cub and Math and Science Club.

Kaitlyn's community service includes volunteering through the Alcorn County Disaster Drill, making bags for Moms Foundation, volunteering at the Alcorn County Health Fair, Kindergarten Health Fair, pregnancy and infant loss awareness event, Junior Leadership Alcorn, Adopt a Grandparent program and the ACTC Food Drive.

After graduation, Kaitlyn plans to attend Northeast Mississippi Community College, where she plans to major in nursing. Upon graduating from NEMCC, her goal is to continue her education, at a university, earning her Bachelor of Science degree in nursing. Her ultimate goal is to work with pediatric oncology patients.

As the recipient of the ACTC Student of the Year Award, Kaitlyn receives a \$300 scholarship provided by Mississippi Polymers, Inc. of Corinth.

Pictured (right) are Kaitlyn Box and Mr. Rodney Hopper, ACTC Director.



Citizenship Student

The Alcorn Career and Technology Center is pleased to announce that Carleigh Holt has been named the 2017 ACTC Citizenship Student Award winner. Carleigh, the daughter of Randy and Susan Holt, is a junior at Kossuth High School. She is a completer in the Digital Media Technology program and was nominated for this award by her instructor, Mr. Steve Shaw.

At the Alcorn Career and Technology Center, Carleigh is a member of the TSA organization, where she has competed at the state level, as well as being a member of the National Technical Honor Society. At Kossuth High School, she is an honor roll student, FBLA member and has placed first in state in the category of Digital Video Production for the past two years, a past member of the KHS cheer team and was a part of the state championship team in cheerleading, and a past member of the KHS bowling team.

Carleigh is a member of Oakland Baptist Church. Her community service includes being a mentor to younger students at Kossuth Middle School, creating a promotional video for the Mississippi Construction Education Foundation, and serving as a volunteer to paint classrooms at Kossuth High School, Alcorn Central High School and the Alcorn Alternative School.

After graduation, Carleigh plans to attend Northeast Mississippi Community College and later attend a university. She has a different options she is considering as career paths. She currently has a couple of her own businesses: Holt Films and CFH Films, where she provides photography and videography services.

As the recipient of the ACTC Citizenship Award, Carleigh receives a \$200 scholarship provided by Mississippi Polymers, Inc. of Corinth.

Pictured (right) are Carleigh Holt and Mr. Van Carpenter, ACTC Assistant Director.



Students of the 4th Quarter



Ag. & Natural Resources
Dylan Bain



Ag. Power & Machinery
John Cummings



Automotive Service Technology
Gerald Jones



Marketing
Tanner Marlar



Career Pathway Experience
Kaitlyn Box



Construction
Jace Malone



Digital Media Tech.
Carleigh Holt



Health Sciences
Hope Jones



Law & Public Safety
Christy Barnes



Metal Fabrication
Tanner Hopkins



Polymer Science
Greg Miller



Teacher Academy
Lyn Cummings

Rotary Student

The Alcorn Career and Technology Center is pleased to announce that Abby Parvin has been named the ACTC Rotary Student of the Month for April. Abby, the daughter of John and Stephanie Parvin, is a senior at Kossuth High School. She is a program completer in the Marketing Program at ACTC and was nominated for this honor by her Marketing instructor, Mrs. Diane Daughtry.

At the Alcorn Career and Technology Center, Abby is a member of the DECA and National Technical Honor Society organizations. She also received the Outstanding Marketing Student Award in 2016.

Abby performs well academically and scored a 29 on the ACT. At Kossuth High School, she is a member of FCA and has won awards in Astronomy, English I and Art I. Additionally, she is a member of Modern Woodman.

Abby is a member of First Apostolic Church of Jumpertown, where she is a member of the youth group and is involved in mission activities. She recently went on a mission trip to Puerto Rico.

After graduation, Abby plans to attend Northeast Mississippi Community College, where she plans to major in Spanish. Upon graduating from NEMCC, her goal is to continue her education, at a university, earning her Bachelor of Science degree and becoming an interpreter.



Congratulations!



FAFSA Assistance



Many thanks to NEMCC Financial Aid Associate, Debbie Ozbirn and NEMCC student worker, Ivy Johnson, for assisting our students with filling out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid. We appreciate NEMCC working with us to help students make a smooth transition into post-secondary education.

Attendance Rewards

Congratulations to Amarri Harris of Health Sciences. She was the prize drawing winner of two Malco Movie tickets from among the forty-two students with perfect attendance for the third nine weeks. All forty-two students received popcorn and a soft drink for their perfect attendance efforts.

Many thanks to Malco for providing the movie tickets, BancorpSouth for the soft drinks and Student Services Coordinators, Joyce and Robert Suito, for providing the popcorn.



Law & Public Safety

Submitted by: Nick Strachan, Law & Public Safety Student

The Law & Public Safety class has had a great year; we have learned a great deal about numerous careers in law enforcement, fire, and the emergency medical service field. The first year students emphasized the importance of public and private security. We have also learned about specialized law enforcement agencies in Mississippi. We learned the history of the first 911 system in Alcorn County as well as diverse terminology used by police and 911 dispatchers.

Second year students completed learning about professions in the military. They also learned about emergency management operations. The class also received a 1999 Ford Crown Victoria from the Corinth Fire Department. The fire department was removing the vehicle from their fleet and donated it to the class as it would provide multiple outlets for furthering our education. I think my fellow classmates will appreciate most getting to use the vehicle to learn the proper procedures to conduct traffic stops. It will be more hands on for students and we will be more engaged in the learning process. Below, is a photo of the fire department making the donation to the Law & Public Safety program.



The Law & Public Safety class recently visited the Corinth Fire Department, where the Corinth Fire Department Training Officer, Jerry Whirley, talked about the history of the department as well as their roles, duties and responsibilities. Whirley also spoke about 24 hour work shifts, and how no two days are similar. Students, Prentiss Turner and Isaac Rorie, both enjoyed the tour of the fire department and stated they might reflect on the idea of being firemen. All the students would like to say thanks to Chief Welch, Deputy Chief Bryant, Training Officer Whirley, Mayor and the Board of Aldermen of Corinth for allowing us to have the vehicle it will be put to great use and we are already very eager about getting to use it in the future.



Automotive Service Tech.

Submitted by: Lee Busby: Automotive Service Technology Instructor

The primary goal as an Automotive Technician teacher is to make sure each and every student is confident in the fundamentals of working on automobiles. I believe building students up by motivating them through verbal praise and also allowing them to jump right into getting their hands dirty. Most of the students we have are students who are not very fond of paper work but are willing to do anything hands on, but the task that lied ahead would require the students to prove the skills they had retained in the classroom and the shop.

Goal: Emotional Horse Power

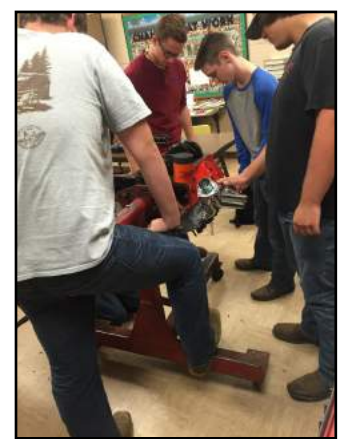
This project our students at Alcorn County Vocational Center consisted of a motor swap. What may sound simple when expressed audibly, "Motor swap," is not so easy after all. The goal of this project was to help the students feel the emotion of success when completing a big job like the motor swap. They would also gain the satisfaction of placing a larger motor into the S-10 which would increase the trucks horsepower.

Year Worth of Skills

The vocational students began the tedious process of removing a 2.2 L (4 cylinder) engine from a 1999 Chevrolet S-10 Pickup and replacing the 4 cylinder engine with a small block 350 Chevrolet motor. This job would involve the use of the following skills: electrical (wiring), engine performance (engine re-building), brakes, steering suspension, transmission, Air conditioning, and exhaust systems. As stated earlier, the students would need the fundamental skills to complete this project as shown in the skills listed. The students worked vigorously with the helping hand of Mr. Lee Busby, the Vocational Center's Automotive Teacher. Mr. Busby pushed the students each day, but he didn't just teach them how to prepare for work in the real world; He taught them how to prepare for life through a random motivational speech or a random story he inherited from people who aided in his upbringing.

Who we are!

Through all the hard work which consisted of a lot of sweat and sometimes stench because let's be honest... when one works in the shop especially when extra bodies are added, it tends to stink. Even though the students may have struggled at times they always had support around them whether it was Mr. Busby lending a helping hand or even a fellow student. Here at the Alcorn County Vocational Center our students are here to grow into young men and women with the goal of transitioning into the adults that they will soon become.



Polymer Science

Submitted by: Stephanie Parsons, Polymer Science Instructor

Polymer Science Students Bring Home Another Win in 2017

HATTIESBURG. Second Year Polymer Science students from High School Polymer Science programs all over Mississippi came together at Hattiesburg's University of Southern Mississippi for the 8th Annual State High School Polymer Science Competition put on March 23rd by the internationally known [School of Polymers and High Performance Materials](#) at USM.

Five Alcorn County students from Kossuth and Central High Schools made the long trip with their adviser to bring home an impressive win of second place in the Polymer Science Quiz Bowl. Not for the faint of heart, Alcorn County students went undefeated until the final round, in which they also had a rebuttal round. The 2017 quiz bowl and overall competition winners were Presbyterian Christian School's team located in Hattiesburg. The PCS team may not have been undefeated at quiz bowl but they went home winners in several contests held for this annual state competition for the brightest in our state.

Will Poindexter of Alcorn Central High School, the captain of the quiz bowl team, impressed with the team's performance said, "We worked together... we put our knowledge together, and we were able to go undefeated until the last round. The questions at the end were very hard. Even Mrs. Parsons said the questions were hard for her and she's been teaching this subject for years." Ben Marshall, Austin Burcham, Travis Williams and Chelsea Watson make up the rest of the quiz bowl team, with Stephanie Parsons, Polymer Science instructor and team adviser, who said, "Every team member contributed to this win and everyone was impressed with our student's performance. Their hard work studying, learning and working in the lab during class time and their own time, has paid off. I'm very proud of each of them and hope this inspires them to do great things with their future endeavors." Competition entails several contests; prior to USM's Hattiesburg competition, students respond in essay form to a peer reviewed material science article and take an online Polymer Science exam. Students who travel to Hattiesburg participate in Team Challenge and Quiz Bowl.

This year's Team Challenge required students to assemble a composite beam using a two part epoxy amine as the matrix of the composite, and choices of linear and curved pasta for the fiber to reinforce it. Our students were ready for the challenge and made several beams. We were confident and are awaiting the results of the three-point tests to be shared. Our team is anxious to compare their toughness results to the outcomes of the other 8 teams. PCS took home first in Team Challenge.

Quiz Bowl involves bracketed teams competing until the final

round. Alcorn students were undefeated until the final round. Alcorn faced off with Presbyterian Christian with some very difficult questions. In the sudden death round during rebuttal, PCS took the win. "We were on the edge of our seats; it was so tense. We are proud we made it to the end undefeated." said Ben Marshall.

The opportunity to expand their knowledge is encouraged by this type of academic win. Each time students place at Career and Technical Education state competition their win is submitted for consideration by Northeast Mississippi Community College to receive scholarship money for tuition at Northeast. Second place and third place Career and Technical Education wins are quite valuable to an incoming freshman at Northeast, since they are valued at half the cost of tuition. Scholarship opportunities like these to attend Northeast Mississippi Community College are a tremendous blessing for each of these student's families. Congratulations to all the competitors and winners.



Why take Polymer Science? Well...We'll tell you!

"Polymer Science has been a journey through and through. Everything we've done has real world value, but I think that learning CAD was one of the best things we did. I recently went to NEMCC to finalize my schedule for the fall semester, and my major focus is on CAD engineering and design. Without this class, specifically the CAD lessons we went over and the 3D printing skills we learned, this major would never have been available to me. Thanks to Mrs. Parsons and all of the fantastic staff at the ACTC, I am well on my way to success. I am sincerely grateful for all of the opportunities this class has offered me." -Ben Marshall



**Ben Marshall—
Polymer Science
Completer**



**Will Poindexter—
Polymer Science
Completer**

"This quarter, in Polymer Science, we accomplished quite a lot: competition, fabrication, and many other things. One thing that stood out to me was the task that we were assigned, at the beginning of this semester, to replicate a part so a customer won't lose his job. This task taught us time management, and how to refine our surface coatings to a fine finish. We managed to finish it in time, and the parts looked great. This class also helped me discover my love for engineering, specifically chemical engineering. It's had an overall positive impact on my life, and I'm happy I took it." -Will Poindexter

"What I learned in polymer science, this year, was how to work with a team and get things finished. There was so much this year that we had to do as a team. We learned how to follow procedures and not argue about every single lab we worked on. We worked on many labs and then we had to learn how to clean up our messes without the teacher doing it for us. Teamwork is essential to work in labs so we can get everything completed. Understanding that not everyone in the lab has the same method of learning content than others. There are so many things that we still need to know, but as we get older we can accomplish more if we go into a science career. These skills will help me with working in an office that has to function as a team. It is so important to be able to work with others." -Chelsea Watson



**Chelsea Watson—
Polymer Science
Completer**



**Travis Williams—
Polymer Science
Completer**

"What I learned in Polymer Science is that anything can be accomplished when all of us work together. I learned that teamwork is very important in everyday life. To get to where we want to go, we have to work for it. What is going to work? Team work. We have worked on so many labs, so I can not pick just one to talk about. It is very important for you to learn to work with others because this skill can help you acquire and keep a job."

-Travis Williams

Metal Fabrication

Submitted by: Jesse Potts, Metal Fabrication Instructor

Northeast Tool and Die instructors, Stevie Lovelace and Mike Snowden visited Metal Fab students to inform them about the program at Northeast Community College in an effort to grow the local machinist pool. There are lots of new job opportunities for machinists in the Northeast Mississippi area. The Northeast Tool and Die program, also known as Precision Machining and Manufacturing Technology, is a great place to train for the many opportunities available for the machining trade.



NEMCC

Digital Media

Submitted by: Baylee Parmely, DMT Student Reporter

The end of the year at the Alcorn Career Technology Center is upon us. Students have completed their end of the year tests, and summer is calling our names. For some students, this is their last year with their second school family. For others, they are just starting out. All things considered, no matter if you are first or second year; a beginner or a veteran; a baby or a grown up, you are going to miss this place. Let us look back on the accomplishments our DMT students have secured.

This semester has been a stressful one. All the classes here have surely felt the heat. However, Digital Media is on fire. Students competed in the TSA State Conference in teams. The competitions were held at the Bancorp South Arena in Tupelo, MS. Students competed in four categories: Technology Problem Solving, Music Technology, On Demand Video, and Video Production. The submitted work was exceptional, and we are extremely proud of our teams and the great job they did. The Video Production team placed 3rd in state competitions. The TSA teams did very well in every aspect. The ACTC staff is very impressed by how well DMT and all the other classes have done this year.



When DMT students were not stressing over competitions, they were doing their work on computers. First year, having already learned the tricks of Photoshop, began working with Logic Pro X. Logic is a music editing program in which you can make your own tunes or edit others. Mr. Shaw has been teaching his first year students about every nook and cranny of Logic. Second year has been doing just as well when using Motion Graphics Animation. Motion helps with the movie making process. It adds more variety to and gives life to the movies they have made.

DMT students have had an amazing year. The work they have accomplished is impressive. We are looking forward to another year with many students returning and will be excited to see the future accomplishments of those who have completed the course this year.

Award Nominees

The Alcorn Career and Technology Center nominees for the 2017 ACTC Student of the Year and the 2017 ACTC Citizenship Student Awards were recognized during our May 12th Awards Program. Each student nominee represented their program and received a trophy.

Citizenship Student Awards:

Ag & Natural Resources—Daniel Marshall
 Ag Power & Machinery—Hunter Bullard
 Automotive Service Technology—Greg Miller
 Construction—Ethan Smith
 Digital Media Technology—Carleigh Holt
 Health Sciences—Ali Maricle
 Law & Public Safety—Shianna Lokey
 Marketing—Alea Feathers
 Metal Fabrication—Lilian Turner
 Polymer Science—Will Poindexter
 Teacher Academy—Gracie Hinton

Student of the Year Awards:

Ag & Natural Resources—Matthew Lambert
 Ag Power and Machinery—Hunter Fiveash
 Automotive Service Technology—T.J. Essary
 Construction—Ethan Davis
 Digital Media Technology—Jackson Strickland
 Health Sciences—Kaitlyn Box
 Law & Public Safety—Hanna Brown
 Marketing—Abby Parvin
 Metal Fabrication—Bryant Marsh
 Polymer Science—Ben Marshall
 Teacher Academy—Jacob Dooley
 CPE—Colt Hamilton



Teacher Academy

Submitted by: Nan Nethery, Teacher Academy Instructor

Teacher Academy students visited St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital on March 24, 2017. Students toured the hospital’s school and learned so much about the services that are provided to the patients through the program. Dr. Laurie Leigh, school director, informed Mrs. Nan Nethery and her students about the accommodations that are made to meet the needs of each patient in order for them to stay as current with their school work as possible. It was interesting to discover that St. Jude provides a prom and graduation to its patients. Each of us were AMAZED, to say the least, to all that we heard, saw and experienced!!!



Mississippi Special Olympics is an annual community service project in which Teacher Academy students participate. This year’s activities did not disappoint. TA students were paired with a

participant and assisted them as they competed in the various events. Friendships were definitely made because of the connections and support shown throughout the day. Congratulations to all the winners!!!



The students of Teacher Academy created an inspiring art piece to take with them as they end the school year. Mrs. Nan Nethery encouraged her students to use their art piece in a classroom of his/ her own one day. This project was a great way for students to express themselves and relax after all the state testing.





Marketing

Submitted by: Diane Daughtry, Business Fundamentals and Marketing Instructor

BUSINESS FUNDAMENTALS STUDENT ELECTED TO STATE OFFICE

A first year ACTC Business Fundamentals student, was recently elected President of the FBLA Mississippi Chapter. Brady Spencer is a member of the Kossuth High School FBLA, under the leadership of Rodney Fagan. Brady served as Mississippi regional vice president of FBLA last year. He also serves as Vice President of the ACTC DECA chapter.

Brady is interested in politics and Business Law. His career plans are to be a corporate attorney. He is the son of Roger and Mandy Spencer. We congratulate Brady on this great accomplishment.



Congrats, Brady!

ACTC DECA CELEBRATES A GREAT YEAR

The end of the year DECA meeting was held at Dinner Bell Restaurant. This dinner served as a reward for those students that has scored Advanced on the State CPAS test and also as a celebration of the 2016-2017 school year. DECA members discussed achievements and success stories while enjoying a great meal. The DECA mascot, Ben, attended the meeting with the chapter members.



FFA North District Stars

Submitted by Brad Gillmore, Kossuth FFA Advisor

Alcorn County FFA Chapters are pleased with the announcement that three members are being recognized as North District Stars for their supervised agricultural experience (SAE) programs, and will be competing at the upcoming Mississippi State FFA Convention to become a Mississippi FFA State Star in their category.

The Star Farmer Award recognizes outstanding achievement in production agriculture and active participation in FFA. Matthew Lambert's agricultural experience program consists of greenhouse production. He operated his own greenhouse, at home, which consisted of bedding plants and vegetables.

In FFA, Matthew has served as chapter president and competed in Opening and Closing, Forestry, Public Speaking and Food Service. Matthew is a member of the Alcorn Career and Technical Center FFA Chapter and will be attending NEMCC, this fall, majoring in Biology.

The Star in Agricultural Placement Award is presented to the member who is employed in production agriculture, agribusiness or directed laboratory. Ben Spencer is employed at the Alcorn County Coop for his agricultural experience program. Initially Ben was hired to assist with counting and reconciling yearend inventory, however, the job has grown to include organizing product displays, stocking shelves, and displaying pricing. With the busy spring rush Ben can be found on the front counter greeting customers, answering questions, and ringing up sales.

Ben is very active in the Kossuth FFA Chapter. A few of his highlights include: Chapter Vice President, member of state champion livestock judging and farm business management teams, and chair of the parliamentary procedure team competing for a state title at upcoming state FFA convention. After graduation Ben is already registered at Mississippi State, accepted into Shackouls

Honors College, with the goal of a degree in mathematics.

The Star in Agribusiness owns and operates their own business. Alex Rowland operates a lawn landscaping business with 6 to 10 regular customers. Alex mows and weed eats, and was recently able to upgrade to a new lawnmower allowing him to serve customers quicker with a higher quality cut.

Alex is a member of the Kossuth FFA Chapter where he is quite active. A junior, Alex is currently the chapter Sentinel, and running for chapter office next year. He has been a member of the state champion livestock judging team, and a top three poultry judging team at state. Like Ben, Alex is a member of the parliamentary procedure team that will be competing for a state championship in June at State FFA Convention. Upon graduation, Alex hopes to pursue a degree in agriculture engineering or poultry science.

Congratulations to these three individuals for being named north district FFA stars, and best of luck in the State FFA Stars competition.

Pictured, below, are: Ben Spencer, Alex Rowland, and Matthew Lambert.



outstanding senior completer received a \$500 scholarship. Kaitlyn Box, a Polymer Science student received this scholarship. It will go to help Kaitlyn with her college expenses.

The monies used for our nontraditional day and scholarship came from a grant. Hopefully this grant will help with recruiting other nontraditional students in the future.



Student Services

Submitted by: Joyce and Robert Sutor, Student Services Coordinators

This year we have a total of 60 nontraditional students. On May 1, the student services department recognized the nontraditional students at the career center by hosting a Nontraditional Day for students. The students learned more about career opportunities. They also received a nontraditional t-shirt and goody bag. Refreshments were served.

On May 12, the center had an Awards Day. Our nontraditional students were recognized and an outstanding nontraditional



ACTC FFA

Submitted by: David Nowell, Ag and Natural Resources Instructor

The agriculture classes have been busy to finish up our year here at the Career Center. We have worked to complete projects, grew a garden, had a spring plant sale, were involved in contests, conducted a banquet and did some classwork. Projects seem to go by very quickly. We had students participate in FFA state contest held at Mississippi State. Our welding team did very well and other students participated in Food Science. The welding team consisted of Hunter Fiveash, Hunter Bullard, and Mathew Scott. The Food science team consisted of Mathew Lambert, Brittani Lambert, Dylan Bradley, and Kristen Nichols. Students were surprised to find out that day of contest was also open house at the VET school, there on campus. We were able to be informed by students, there at the VET school, and were given a tour of the animal hospital. It was very educational for everyone.



Ag and Natural Resources students were involved in restoring a 1983 snapper lawnmower. 1st block students were able to learn about how this mower would work and piece together. Dustin Farris and Byron Brumfield led this group. 2nd and 4th blocks were involved in building raised garden beds. We took plants grown in the greenhouse and transplanted them in our beds. Students planted vegetables and flowers to complete this project. We also had the annual spring plant sale. We had many customers come to support the FFA chapter as we sold bedding plants and especially ferns. Thank you to everyone who participated.



Ag Power students were involved in projects that took a great team effort. Restoration work continued with a 165 Massey Ferguson Tractor. The John Deere tractor is almost finished and this has been a great almost complete restoration. This has been very educational and the owner has been very excited the students could learn about this tractor. Another great project, this 9 weeks, has been a movable BBQ grill. The design has been a work in progress and developed very well. The owner has really been ready to cook.





We finished out the year with our annual FFA banquet. This has been the highlight of our year where we reward the students for their accomplishments throughout the year. This was the 45th annual banquet held this year. This is a great tribute to those agriculture teachers who have set the standard. Many parents and friends of students came out to support these students and the work they do all year long. This time of the year we clean everything up and get ready for another group of students to come be a part of the Alcorn Career & Technology Center. Many will come back and we will have new students to come be a part of the FFA family.



Health Sciences

Submitted by: Tila Johnson, Health Sciences Instructor

The Health Science students rocked the CPAS State Assessment this year!!! We had many students with an advanced score and some just a point or 2 away!! We have wrapped up our community service activities this year by assisting with the organization C.A.U.S.E. for Autism Awareness on April 9th, assisting with the Autism Color Run located at Shiloh Ridge and playing the part of patient in a Disaster Triage course held by local Emergency Services. The students really enjoy giving back to their community each year while earning community service hours. We appreciate all the organizations that ask us to help. The second year students took an educational tour through a local pharmacy and ended their units with a trip through the Diagnostics Departments @ MRHC. We truly thank MRHC and local clinical sites for being a big part of our education.



We successfully, as a group, educated over 250 Kindergarten students from the County school district through our annual

Kindergarten Health Fair. The 2nd year students also went into the kindergarten classrooms, this year, to educate them specifically on proper handwashing in an interactive and fun way!



The Health Science students also showed out at HOSA State Competition in Jackson, MS. Some of them qualified for International Conference held at Orlando, FL this year.



Although we are sad to see our seniors leave, we are proud to see them start on their next journey toward their dream. We wish them luck!!! We are excited to get started on our new year of 2nd year students as well. Bring on 2017-2018!



Farm Bureau Safety

On May 9th and 10th, 2017, John Hubbard, Safety Specialist for Farm Bureau visited the ACTC Campus and served as a guest speaker. Mr. Hubbard spoke about the dangers of drinking and driving, using certain types of prescription medication while driving, and the new texting and driving law. He allowed students to wear vision impairment goggles and walk a line and drive around cones on the Farm Bureau golf cart. It was an eye opening experience for the students and we thank Mr. Hubbard for taking time out to come and share this important information.



ACTC Awards Day

The Alcorn Career and Technology Center's annual Awards Day was held on Friday, May 12th, 2017, at the Alcorn Education Center. Some of the awards for the day included certificates of program completion, perfect attendance awards, outstanding student awards, NTHS honor cords and the ACTC Citizenship and Student of the Year Award nominees and overall winners. The following are just a few photos from the event.



**Newsletter compiled by:
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The Alcorn Career and Technology Center does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability, or age in its programs and activities and provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups. Inquiries should be directed to the Alcorn School District Superintendent at P.O. Box 1420, Corinth, MS 38835, (662) 286-5591.