INTERNSHIP SEASON FAST APPROACHES!

As of this writing, 100 students have been recruited for 2021 summer internships! With the challenges of remote learning subsiding, the ability to be in school and connect with students has really helped to spark a new level of interest. As well, employer outreach continues. Currently, 94 internship slots are confirmed, representing 22 unique employers. Seven of those are new to the program!

On a related note, a series of outreach events to middle school students is garnering great interest in the HPHS EGT pathway. If early indications hold true, the Class of ’25 is poised to be the largest group yet to leverage all the opportunities provided by the HPHS EGT pathway!

CLASS OF ‘21 PROFILE: SAM MARIN

For the last four years, Sam Marin has been traveling from his Waterbury home to Hartford to take advantage of the HPHS EGT career pathway.

In a few short months, Sam will leave HPHS with learning experiences that, he says, have positioned him well for his next steps.

“The EGT pathway has given me opportunities to explore careers that I otherwise would not have looked at,” said Sam, now considering college acceptance options that include Penn State, Champlain College, and Florida Polytech. “I have an appreciation for a range of careers and the confidence to pursue what I want to do.”

Pre-apprenticeship program, and ECAMP with Goodwin University and Asnuntuck Community College. Sam also provided the student perspective on the 2020 Governor’s Workforce Council, is a National Hispanic Scholar, and will graduate with ECE in writing.

Those experiences helped Sam to enrich the learning of his classmates this past year.

“My favorite part of interning with ReadyCT has been helping others better themselves through the various programs,” he said. “I believe that helping others should be a priority, and I relish doing it in an environment from which I have benefited.”

The Class of ‘21 has much to be proud of, including students like Sam who have persevered through a pandemic to position themselves for success!
Last week, 26 students participated in the YES-ACE Academy (Youth Employability Skills-Accelerated COVID Edition).

Although COVID did require program modifications, the workshops and activities helped students develop skills in team building, problem solving, communications, interviewing, Microsoft Office, social media etiquette, presentations, and resume/cover letter writing. Pictures (right) show the students in action!

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