

PRESS RELEASE

Students Claim Victory at SkillsUSA State Competition

Wayne, NJ – FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE – Students of Passaic County Technical Institute (PCTI) placed in 14 events at the SkillsUSA State Competition held in Somerset, NJ. Of those awards, eight students received first place ribbons!

The following students won gold medals and most will be competing in the SkillsUSA National Competition in June: Andy Paiz (Auto Maintenance); Camelis Nazario, Cindy Nazario, & Melanie Ventura (Crime Scene Investigation); Brandon Fleischmann (Electrical Construction Wiring); and David Bendezu, Onur Edipov, & Giancarlo Porto (Engineering Technology and Design).

Other medal recipients include: Maria Vega, Elianni De La Cruz, & Nancy Contreras (bronze, Criminal Justice); Ismael Figueroa (silver, Computer Maintenance Technology); Madeline Reina (silver, Early Childhood Education); Luzjailie Roman (bronze, Early Childhood Education); Kevin Behnke, Hadi Khezam, & Steven Hollister (silver, Engineering Technology and Design); Hamlet Jaquez & Kevin Purcell (silver, Mobile Robotics Technology); Joshua Lopez (bronze, Ornamental Iron Design); Kyle Markham (silver, T-Shirt Design); Eddie Filipovic (bronze, Technical Drafting); and Reggie Rodriguez (bronze, Welding Sculpture).

Congratulations to all of PCTI's SkillsUSA medal recipients! Good luck at Nationals!



Photo Caption: PCTI SkillsUSA gold medal winners David Bendezu (Passaic), Onur Edipov (Prospect Park), Brandon Fleischmann (North Haledon), Camelis Nazario (Paterson), Cindy Nazario (Paterson), Andy Paiz (Paterson), Giancarlo Porto (Passaic), and Melanie Ventura (Clifton) proudly display their gold medals.