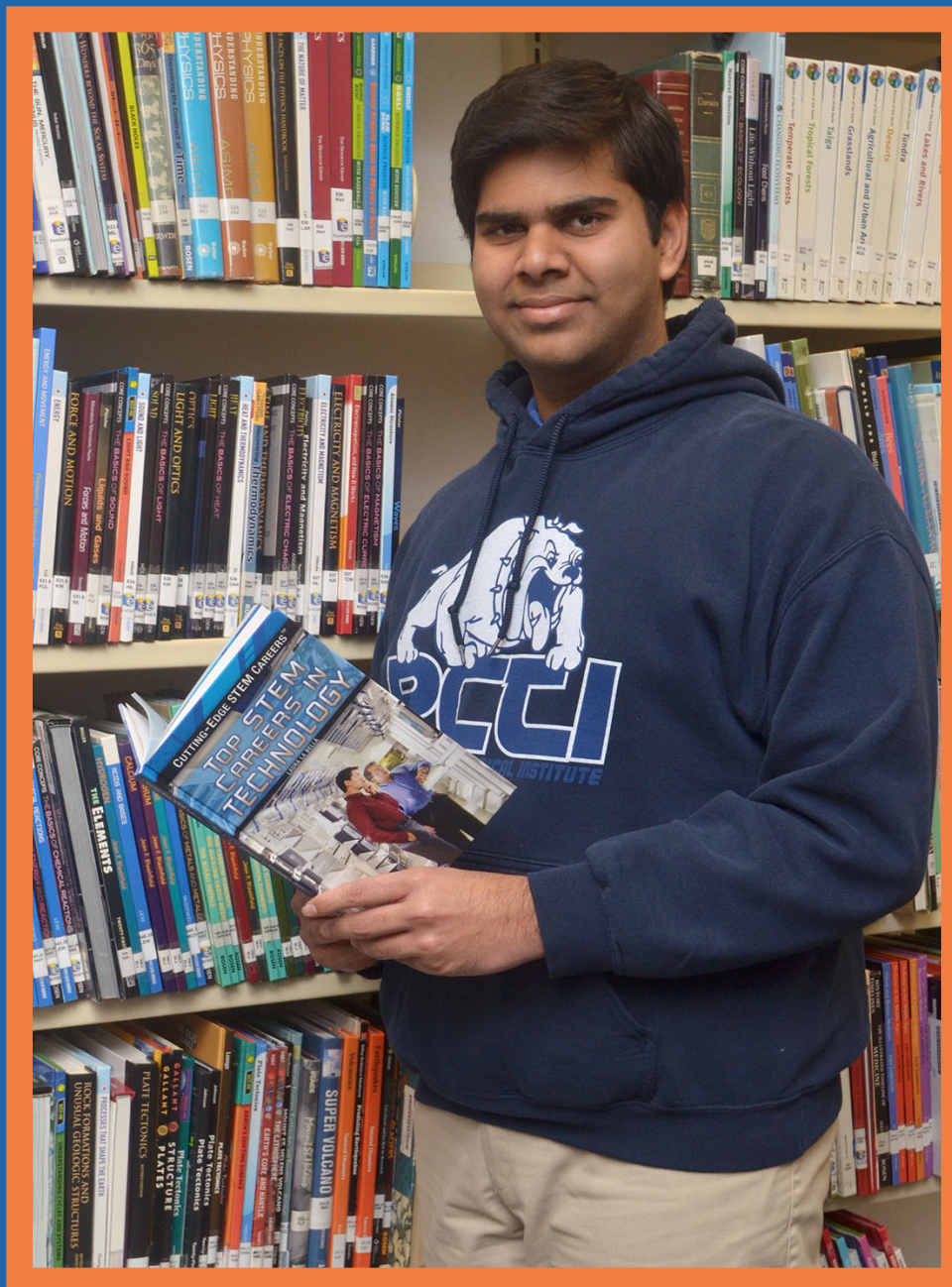# PCTI STUDENT OF THE MONTH

Advocating the Importance of Preparedness
Himanshu Rana

Himanshu Rana is a young man from Passaic who champions the power of preparedness. This Bulldog is a proud member of the Academy of Information Technology where he studies Computer Science. The allure of this particular brand of education stems from Himanshu's interest in computers. "I'm more of a logical and visual thinker, so web design is perfect for me."

There's a lot to be said about Himanshu's educational perspective. His penchant for preparedness has seen him enrolled in honors and AP courses throughout his entire high school career. Even his Computer Science course is AP! This brilliant young man has the potential to graduate with eighteen college credits. He ranks in the top four percent of his class with a GPA of 4.19! Himanshu has also achieved Principal's Honor Roll throughout all four years of high school.

It comes as no surprise that Himanshu is enticed by the prospect of a challenge. He actively seeks out learning opportunities for the sake of self-betterment, proving that the power of education is its own reward.

Additionally, this academically savvy Bulldog is a member of the Future Business Leaders of America and serves as a class representative. Himanshu is also in ERASE and holds the position of Parliamentarian for the National History Club. While at PCTI, he has earned community service hours through volunteerism opportunities with Open House, the Special Olympics of New Jersey, and the Education Foundation's 5K Run.

When not thoroughly absorbed in his studies, participation in clubs, or acts of volunteerism, Himanshu dabbles in travel and photography. The two go well together. He's traveled up and down the east coast, from Maine to Florida, and enjoys learning Photoshop in his free time.

After graduation, Himanshu seeks to further his education in Computer Science and will work towards a Bachelor of Science degree. He's also interested in exploring business courses and dreams of attending Stevens University. He will also be applying to Rutgers University and the New Jersey Institute of Technology

When asked about the advice he had for students of the PCTI family, Himanshu said, "Don't overload yourself with work. Make sure to strike a balance - find a club you look forward to and spend time with friends. A strong support network is key."

Congratulations to this hardworking young man and best of luck in the future!

HIGHLIGHTS

- Ranks in the top 4% of his class
- Will graduate with a potential 18 college credits
- Member of FBLA, ERASE, & class representative
- Enrolled in PCTI's AP Computer Science program
- Achieved Principal's Honor Roll throughout all four years
- Parliamentarian of the National History Club
- Accumulated community service hours with participation in Open House, the Special Olympics of New Jersey, & the Education Foundation's 5K Run
- Goal: Graduate from a university with a Bachelor of Science degree in Computer Science