

**National Career and Technical Education Month observed in  
Southampton County**



All elementary, middle and high school students from Southampton County Public Schools will observe National CTE Month February 2013. With support from community leaders: educators, former CTE students, educational institutions, and representatives from business and industry, students will engage in classroom presentations, career fairs, and exhibits at their respective schools regarding the following:

Date	Career Cluster/Topic	Point of Focus
Week 1 2/4-8/2013	Education and Training	The focus will be on opportunities available in teacher education.
Week 2 2/11-15/2013	Health and Medical Sciences	Programs in nursing, phlebotomy, pharmacy technician, medical billing and coding will be on exhibit.
Week 3 2/18-22/2013	STEM	Emphasis will be on opportunities in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math.
Week 4 2/25-28/2013	Career Connection	Business and Information Technology, Culinary Arts, Early Childhood Education, Technology Education, Cosmetology, Agriculture, Building Trades, and FACS will be highlighted.

Other activities will include:

**Essay/Poster Contest**

- All students in grades 5-12 are eligible to enter
- Under the direction of the school guidance counselor(s), students will submit entries based on the theme: “Career and Technical Education WORKS!”
- 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, & 3<sup>rd</sup> place prizes will be awarded
- Winners will be announced during CTE Month activities

**Fifth Graders will Tour Southampton Technical Career Center**

**Tour Schedule**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>School</b>
Wednesday, February 13	9:30 A.M. - 10:30 A.M.	Nottoway Elementary School
Wednesday, February 13	1:30 P.M. – 2:30 P.M.	Capron Elementary School
Wednesday, February 20	9:30 A.M. - 10:30 A.M.	Riverdale Elementary School
Wednesday, February 20	1:30 P.M. – 2:30 P.M.	Meherrin Elementary School

**SkillsUSA Competition**

The Building Trades Program will host the District I Masonry Competition at SHS on February 7, 2013, students will compete as well. In addition, students will compete in the District I Carpentry Competition on February 14, 2013, in Virginia Beach.

**Job Visitation Day**

On Thursday, February 21, 2013 approximately 30 high school students will tour Ashland Hercules and Narricot Industries to become informed on manufacturing and engineering opportunities.

**Tour Schedule**

Bus Leaving SHS: 8:30 A.M.

Ashland Hercules Tour: 8:50 A.M. – 10:30 A.M.

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Narricot Industries Tour: 11:15 A.M. – 12:45 P.M.

Bus Returning to SHS: 1:10 P.M.

**Business Social**

Plans are underway for our first “Business Social” to be held at Southampton High School from 1:00 P.M. – 3:00 P.M. on Wednesday, February 27, 2013. This will be an exciting opportunity for high school students to interact face to face with representatives from various businesses and industries.