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Director's Message

It is unbelievable that the 2010-2011 school year is over and the 2011-2012 year is about to begin. Our instructors and guidance staff are very dedicated in helping all our students become well trained individuals with good soft skills, hands-on skills and the people skills – these are the qualities needed to become a success in the workplace. I’m extremely proud of all of our student’s accomplishments and we’re looking forward to meeting our new students this Fall.

I want to congratulate all of our completers for the 2010-2011 school year. Your hard work and determination has paid off and you’re now ready to start on a new path using newly acquired skills. I hope that your time at High Tech North has been successful and you are now ready to go forward in your chosen field.



I leave you with one of my favorite quotes from Abraham Lincoln: “Whatever you are, be a good one!” To our new students I say welcome to our outstanding school, it’s a good one and you’ll be glad you’re here.

Michael Schiffer, Director



Welcome

by Matt Fries

Welcome to Tech Times!

If you're reading this then you're probably looking forward to an exciting education and an even more exciting future. Tech Times just happens to be your best link to that sparkling future. As High Tech North’s information source we pride ourselves on providing informative articles, but most of all we care about our school and where it’s going to take you later in life.

High Tech North has classes for every career, from Digital Design to Nursing to Pharmacy Technician. Our teachers and staff are friendly and genuinely care about your progress, but more than that, the class work is truly hands on, or I wouldn’t be writing this article in the Tech Times magazine.

High Tech North got it's start in 1993 and



Matt Fries

since then it's been a fantastic way to get a head start on your one way ticket to a great career. I am Matt Fries Chief, Editorial Supervisor for Tech Times and this school has really turned my whole life right side up, and it's given me a chance to really shine and do what I do best.



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A Future So Bright

by Brad Wildman

Get Ready Now! Your success is waiting for you and High Tech North can help you achieve the steps towards it. High Tech North offers adults and High School students the opportunity to take classes in a variety of technical courses. Look to find the field you are interested in, come in and talk with a counselor, take the TABE test, and you are ready to start a new direction in your life and a new career. Join High Tech North and become another success story. Classes start this fall so come in now to learn more and reserve your spot today.

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Program	HTN Program Hours	Estimated Credit Hours Accredited (Edison)
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Computer Systems Technology I	900 Hours	12 Hours
Cosmetology (NEW)	1200 Hours	N/A
Digital Design	1200 Hours	9 Hours
Electronic Technology	1400 Hours	N/A
Medical Coder/ Biller Day or On-Line Program	1000 Hours	26 Hours
Medical Admin. Specialist	1050 Hours	18 Hours
Network Support - CISCO	1050 Hours	12 Hours
Nursing Assistant	120 Hours	N/A
Patient Care Assistant	290 Hours	N/A
Pharmacy Technician (New in 2011)	1050 Hours	40 Hours
PC Support Services	900 Hours	6 Hours
Practical Nursing - LPN	1350 Hours	10 Hours
Surgical Technology	1330 Hours	N/A
Web Design	1050 Hours	6-9 Hours
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Serendipitous Success

By Brad Wildman



Brad Wildman

If you believe every negative has a positive or without bad luck comes good luck, then you have to read this serendipitous success story about the misfortune of a recent graduate's mother that changed her daughters life with a great career.

created an ever-lasting career that this young lady would have never known about. It shows that there are serendipitous moments in life and that you have to open your eyes to find it.

The mother had gotten a traffic ticket and to avoid losing points on her drivers license she had to take a "safe driving" course which was held here at High Tech North in the Surgical Technology program classroom. After the course was done the mother was impressed by the classroom and asked if she could get more information about that course. She receives various brochures and took them home to her daughter and explained to her about the mock operating room in the classroom. So the young lady decided to come to High Tech North to check it out and get more information about the course. The next thing she knows she is signed up for classes. She was pregnant and tired of working dead end jobs so she knew this was the right thing to do to make a better world for her and soon to be daughter.

She did the two and half year program of Surgical Technology program and even went on to become a Certified Register Nurse Anesthetist (CRNA).

She raves on how High Tech North opened her eyes to the vast world of medicine and the hands on training was the best thing to prepare her for her career. She still pinches herself.

So the misfortune of her mother has

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Pharmacy Technician Program Comes to High Tech North

By Ted Higgins



Ted Higgins

A fantastic new Pharmacy Technician program began its inaugural year January 2011, with new instructor Terri Reisinger and her new students. Terri comes to HTN with nineteen years experience as a Pharmacy Technician with a State of Florida license and National certification. Terri has worked in the Ft. Myers area as a Pharmacy Technician since 1997. Prior to that Terri, from Cincinnati, Ohio, attended The University of Cincinnati where she began her career as a Pharmacy Technician. She has worked in retail pharmacy, mail order pharmacy, and long-term care facilities gaining job skills and experience. As Terri explains:

“It is considerably different today to work as a pharmacy technician. It is mandatory to be registered and licensed with the Florida State Board of Pharmacy in compliance with Florida Statute 460.014”.

HTN’s intensive 1050 hour Pharmacy Technician program provides students with the theoretical, practical and clinical skills needed to work as pharmacy technician in retail pharmacy, or in acute care settings such as hospital pharmacy, healthcare facility, nursing home or mail order pharmacy. Program completers will be eligible for licensure with the Florida State Board of Pharmacy, and are encouraged to sit

for a national certification examination. If you would like to be knowledgeable about medication and its administration, you can become certified at HTN as a pharmacy technician and gain all the essential requirements needed to be successful. If you would like more information about the Pharmacy Technician program please contact the program instructor, TerriSR@LeeSchools.net.

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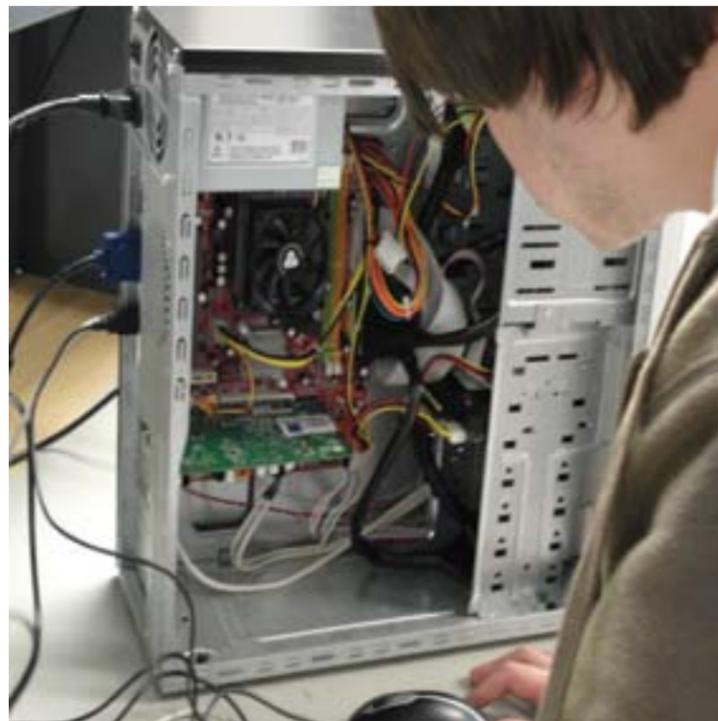
BOTTOM ROW LEFT TO RIGHT- Instructor; Terri Reisinger, Jenifer Maldonado, Barbara Sparks, Wendie Layton
TOP ROW LEFT TO RIGHT- Jenifer Engelman, Carter Elbon, Daniela Isaza

Pharmacy Courses

Course #	OCP	Course Name	Hours
HSC0003	A	Basic Health Care Worker	90
PTN0080	B	Community Pharmacy Tech	360
PTN0082	C	Pharmacy Tech (1 of 2)	300
PTN0083	D	Pharmacy Tech (2 of 2)	300
		Total Hours	1050

Graduate Success after High Tech North

By Brad Wildman



him for exams plus gave him the hands on experience and aspects of the computer service and repair.

Francisco told us that the experience gained and knowledge developed created the skills for the challenge of nursing. Francisco says that High Tech North helped with developing good time management skills and gave Francisco very strong clinical skills. Our last question we asked the graduates was "what would they say to student or person thinking about attending High Tech North?" Francisco says, "I would recommend that they visit the school and talk to an advisor about the programs the school offers." Francisco Highly recommends the LPN program.

Ray says, "If you are serious about bettering yourself, and you are willing to make the commitment necessary to succeed, High Tech North affords you the atmosphere and environment to achieve and succeed in whatever area of study that one wishes to pursue."

Both graduates cannot thank the staff and instructors enough for their experience and the knowledge that they take away from here. Francisco went on to get an RN license and Ray started his own business PC Paramedics of SW Florida with his son, who also graduated with him in the PC program. Success stories are always a positive feel good moment that makes one smile and realize that dreams can happen.

This story is about graduate success after High Tech North. See how knowledge and training can take you into the career that you've always dreamed about. Taking the dedication and passion and making it a reality.

We spoke with a couple of graduate students who took the plunge and made it in their career field and have grown and have done very well. The graduate's we spoke with were Ray Brotbeck from PC Support Services Program and Francisco Magana-Zaragoza from the Practical Nursing Program.

The first question we asked them is why they chose High Tech North for their career education? Francisco Magana-Zaragoza chose High Tech North because of the smaller classes and the instructor's helpfulness in the training of the students.

Ray Brotbeck chose High Tech North for the cost-effective courses and being able to gain knowledge in a highly interesting field.

The next question we asked the graduates was what effect did High Tech North have on their career? Ray told us that the courses prepared

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Guidance with Mr. Kovacs

Guidance by Cody Wheeler



Mr. Kovacs

North offers full financial aid services (courtesy of Mrs. Tracy Miser) and will work with you to help find grants, scholarships, and any other means of helping you invest in your future. Also, High Tech North offers real world experience, with hands on training, and industry sought qualifications at a level competitive to that of a four-year college.

And if THAT hasn't convinced you, the food here is really good. The culinary arts students make it. It's awesome.

For over 15 years, the High Tech North guidance counselor, Ed Kovacs, has answered questions, arranged meetings, and pushed more paper than a forklift at Office Depot. Other than our friendly and helpful receptionists, Mr. Kovacs is probably one of the first people you'll meet when starting out at High Tech North. This being said, the enrollment process is made quite simple thanks to his efforts (as well the research for this article).

The first thing new students should expect, and prepare for, is the Test of Adult Basic Education (TABE). The test is much less intimidating than it sounds, and can be breezed through with a bit of study and critical thinking.

Next, Mr. Kovacs may encourage the student to visit the class they're interested in. Here they can meet the instructor, check out the room, look over the curriculum, and see some of the actual work students are doing.

Career counseling may be one of the most important parts of the enrollment process. By going over your past experience, interests hobbies etc., guidance can help you make an informed decision about which class is best for you. Certain tests and computer software are made available for these purposes.

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Tech Specialist of the Year

By Matt Fries

Everyone knows that feeling of dread when your computer stops working while you're in the middle of a big project and the grim reaper comes knocking on your door looking for your computer then something miraculous happens and the tech specialist beats the grim reaper up and fixes your computer so you have the time to complete that work in your class or office

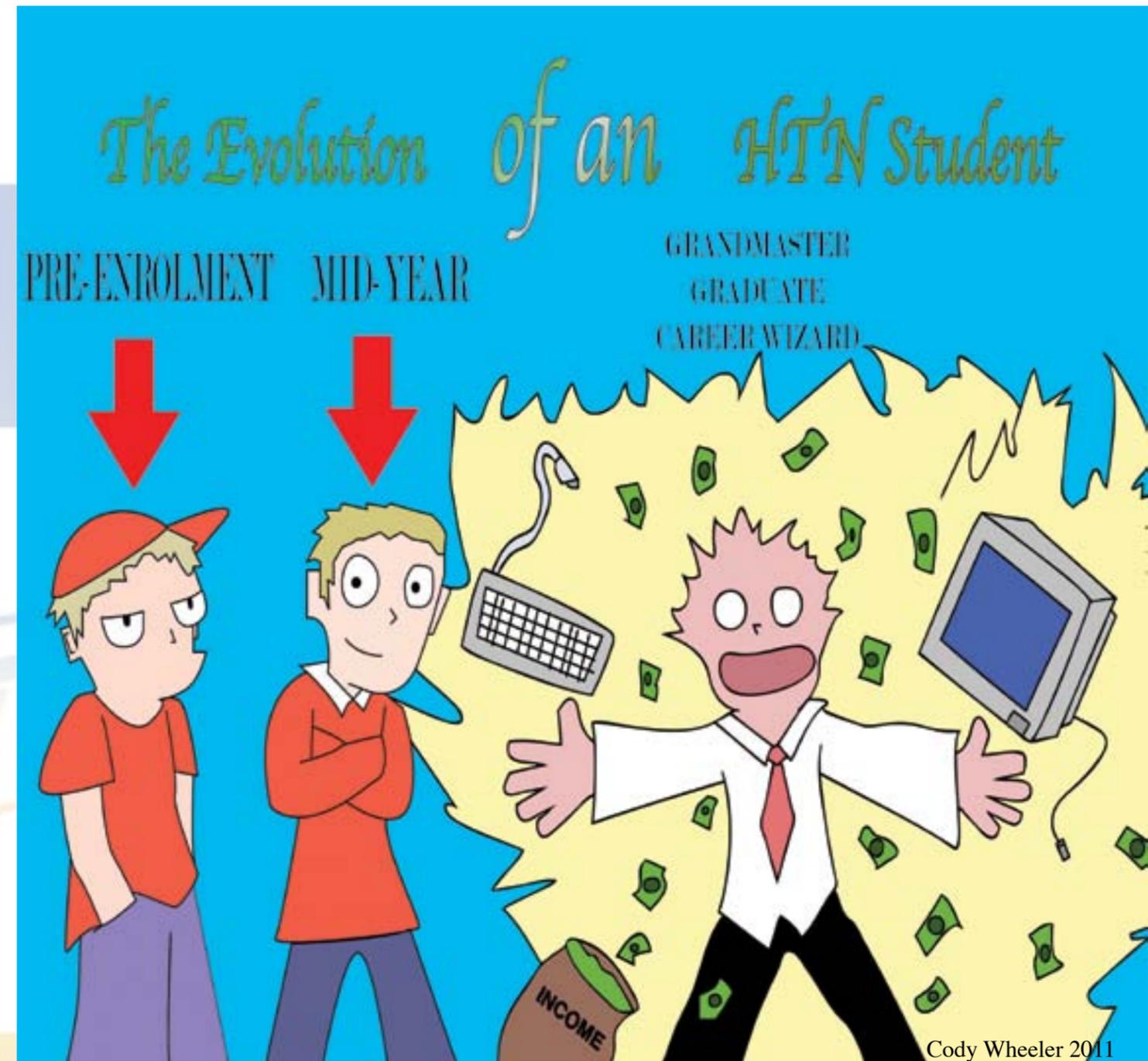
Like a super hero who is always there just in the nick time to render technical issues defenseless. He feels a sense of fulfillment when helping teachers with technical issues, he also takes a stand by helping them to understand tech problems and issues.

We at High Tech North would like to honor one of our newest staff members for earning the School District Tech Specialist of the Year award. He has worked in the Lee County School District for 22 years fighting off everything



Chuck Baack

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Cody Wheeler 2011

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Hydra Dew Moisture Mask Facial.....	\$20
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Four Layer Facial.....	\$25
Cell Renewal for	
All Skin Types	60 min
Two soothing massages apply the smoothing serum and hydrating cream, followed by a cooling seaweed mask, all covered with a mineral-rich thermal mask for cleaner healthier radiant skin.	

Seaweed Treatment	
Facial on the Go	\$20
For All Skin Types	45 min
A quicker alternative to the Four Layer Facial minus the thermal mask. A soothing massage with C-Serum followed by a cooling and soothing fresh seaweed mask. Skin is clean, refreshed, healthy and vibrant.	
Hydra Medic Facial	\$25
For Problem/Acne Skin at Any Age	90 min
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Vita Cura 5 Phase Firming Facial.....	\$35
For Mature or Sun-Damaged Skin	60 min
An Enzymatic Micropeel uncovers a more vibrant complexion. Two massages and a cooling Spirulina Seaweed Mask with Pentapeptide firm and smooth the skin. Opti-Lift Serum is applied for immediate visible lift. Long term benefits preserve elasticity, improve oxygenation and help prompt cell renewal.	
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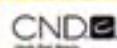
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