

# DECEMBER 2024 NEWSLETTER

November was a very busy month in MADE. Please enjoy all the pictures and, as always, reach out to the staff at any time if you have questions. The MADE staff wishes you a wonderful holiday season and a Happy New Year!

#### **Schools To Tools**

Students celebrated National Apprenticeship Week with the Schools to Tools mobile field trip. 160 Career Technical Education students engaged in handson challenges alongside dynamic virtual experiences that let students step into the world of skilled trades.



### **9TH GRADE NEWS**

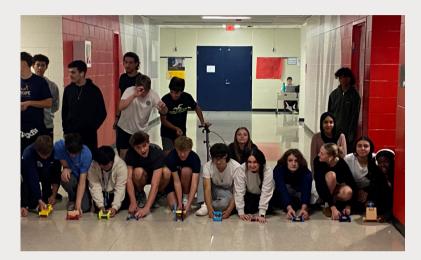


In English, students participated in a jigsaw activity to practice communicating. They read one section of a text and built a Lego scene representing their section. Students then used their Lego builds to teach other students their section of the text, putting together all sections into a complete understanding of the story.



### **10TH & 11TH GRADE NEWS**

During the Design Engineering rotation, sophomores used the Design Thinking process to create a catapult using a mouse trap and marshmallow. All parts of the catapult were designed and 3D printed, then teams competed in three challenges with the objective of learning from failure.







Teams of two sophomores and two juniors competed in a MADE day challenge where they designed and raced boats using wind power. While creating, teams had to think about design, wind resistance, weight distribution, and buoyancy.







### **11TH & 12TH GRADE NEWS**

In Physical Science, juniors used Sphero Bolt robots for a speed lesson. Students coded and used the data from a distance graph to find the speed of their robot.







Cimatron, an integrated CAD/CAM software company, in partnership with Zero Tolerance, demonstrated their tooling software to the juniors and seniors.

Junior and senior fabrication students competed in the Washtenaw Community College Open House welding competition.







### **12TH GRADE NEWS**

Seniors participated in a team building activity in English class. One student explained a picture to a partner who drew the picture without seeing the image.





In celebration of completing their research paper on artificial intelligence, the Seniors in 6th hour English enjoyed a potluck of some of their families' favorite foods to eat during the holidays.

### MADE NEWS

#### School-to-Work

The objective of the Stevenson School-to-Work (STW) Program is to connect classroom learning with work-based learning experiences, prepare students for the move from classroom to the workplace, support supervised on-the-job training, and help students make career decisions.

Students will:

- Develop the essential skills and habits required in the workplace.
- Receive a grade and credit towards graduation for this full year course.
- Gain valuable paid work experience to help build a resume for post-secondary programs and future employment in a variety of career areas.

For more information about how to apply to the STW program, contact Mrs. Gendelman at Janet.Gendelman@uticak12.org.

#### MADE STW Student Spotlight

Seth, Senior Fabrication Major

- Future Career Goal: Diesel Mechanic
- STW Position: Diesel Mechanic Technician
- I love my job because: I have the ability to use tools and knowledge to fix and repair Diesel Powered Systems. I can apply logical thinking and problem-solving skills. It is very rewarding to finish large projects in my workplace.
- Students should consider MADE and STW because: It allows you to start in a job that you are interested in and gives you the opportunity to see the real world.



## **COUNSELING NEWS**

#### **FAFSA** Open for Seniors

The 2025-26 FAFSA form is now available for students looking to secure financial aid for the upcoming academic year. Completing the FAFSA connects students to various forms of Federal and State financial aid programs. Remember, the FAFSA is required for most State of Michigan financial aid programs, including the Michigan Achievement Scholarship! Students can complete the FAFSA at: <u>FAFSA® Application | Federal Student Aid</u>. For additional information about the FAFSA, please visit the <u>FAFSA resources</u> page.

#### **Community College Guarantee**

We are excited to promote the Community College Guarantee program, which provides financial support to all students pursuing their education at community colleges. This is a fantastic opportunity for students looking to further their education without the burden of excessive debt. The only requirement is to complete the FAFSA.

#### Xello

Students will be completing their Xello career exploration activities during the week of December 2nd-6th. This is a great time for students to explore their interests and plan for their future careers. We encourage all students to engage fully in this process!

#### Contact

Please do not hesitate to reach out if you have any questions! Also, please visit the Stevenson High School Counseling page <u>Counseling /</u> <u>Counseling Staff</u> for additional information and resources.

#### **Upcoming Events**

Dec. 10: Mock interviews with 11th Dec. 11: Pathway field trip for 10th Dec 18: Half day, Exams 1 and 2 Dec 19: Half day, Exams 3 and 4 Dec 20: Half day, Exams 5 and 6 Dec 23-Jan 3: Winter break





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