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## **Newark Vocational High School Student Wins CTE Logo Design Contest**

**TRENTON, NJ** – As part of Career and Technical Education (CTE) Month programming, a Newark Vocational High School student won the CTE Logo Design Contest sponsored by the New Jersey Department of Education (NJDOE).

Newark Vocational High School ninth-grade student Neshawn Perkins was announced the winner of the CTE Logo Design Contest today at the New Jersey State Board of Education’s meeting.

“The New Jersey Department of Education applauds Neshawn for using his career and technical education skills to design a winning CTE logo,” said Acting Education Commissioner Dr. Angelica Allen-McMillan. “He is one example of the kind of excellence and career-focused education that we see in the Newark Vocational High School.”

The CTE Logo Design Contest received more than 25 entries from students across the state. The schools that participated in the contest were the East Side High School, Arts High School, Technology High School, and Newark Vocational High School, all of the Newark School District; Burlington County Institute of Technology; Pleasantville High School; Mercer County Vocational School District; Vernon Township High School; and Orange High School.

“The talent we have within our career and technical education programs in New Jersey’s schools is impressive,” said New Jersey State Board of Education President Kathy Goldenberg. “The vocational and technical skills that our schools are providing is yet another way we are helping to prepare New Jersey students for a bright and successful future after graduation.”

The contest culminates a monthlong of CTE programming and events occurring in districts throughout the state.

“The Department is incredibly proud of Neshawn’s creative and imaginative work in the design of the new 2021 CTE logo ‘Building Pathways for Success,’” said Lisa Gleason, NJDOE’s Assistant Commissioner for Academics and Performance. “His inspirational work illustrates the vision and opportunity that career, and technical education programs present to students in the state of New Jersey. We join the Newark Vocational High School, the Newark Board of Education, and Neshawn’s family in extending our warmest congratulations on his accomplishment.”

Visit the [DOE Digest](#) to tune in to the February podcast on CTE Month. The DOE Digest podcast with transcripts is also available on the [NJDOE’s website](#).

Below is Neshawn's winning design:



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