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## **Business Partnership Think Big!**

That is exactly what Prosser heavy equipment seniors, Montana Ferguson and Brady McAfee, are doing. They have been chosen to participate in Caterpillar's Think Big training program. In this unique two-year scholarship program, dealers partner with colleges to teach aspiring students how to service Cat equipment using cutting-edge diagnostics, advanced technologies, and high-tech tools. At the conclusion of the program, students earn an associate degree in applied science.

Montana and Brady were sponsored by Wayne Supply in Louisville and were screened through a variety of aptitude and academic tests as well as several interviews. Both young men wanted to give a shout-out to Mr. Novak, their teacher. "A special thanks to Mr. Novak for opening up so many doors for us in the construction field." Both students will start their training at Illinois Central College in the fall.



*(Left) Montana is a Jeffersonville High School student. His proud parents are Nancy and Richard Cory. (Right) Brady is a North Harrison student. His honored parents are Brian and Lora McAfee.*

## State SkillsUSA

### Prosser Students win 27 Medals

Prosser recently returned from the SkillsUSA State competition in Indianapolis. SkillsUSA is a nation-wide organization that helps prepare students in technical and career programs by hosting competitions, promoting leadership and giving thousands of dollars in scholarships. Prosser won a total of twenty-seven medals including seven gold medals. Gold medal winners will compete in a nation-wide contest this summer in Louisville, Kentucky. Prosser had two sweeps and won all three medals (bronze, silver and gold) in two categories: Medical Terminology and Carpentry. List of winners, [here](#).



*Pictured above are Prosser's three carpentry winners, Jacob Clegg with a Silver medal, Sean Dyson with a bronze medal and Austin Bott with a gold medal. Sean and Austin both attend New Albany High School while Sean attends Floyd Central High School.*

## National Technical Honor Society

### Prosser Students Inducted

Prosser held their annual National Technical Honor Society Induction Ceremony on Tuesday, April 7th to recognize 65 juniors and 27 seniors for new membership, more than doubling last year's numbers. To qualify, students must have a 3.0 GPA overall, and must be nominated by their teacher.

The National Technical Honor Society recognizes students who also have the attributes of skill, honesty, service to others, responsibility, scholarship of learning, citizenship, and leadership. Students inducted have the opportunity to apply for scholarships through the organization. The NTHS honors the achievements of top CTE students, provides scholarships to encourage the pursuit of higher education, and



*Breanna Ward is a new NTHS member and Criminal Justice student. She attends Charlestown High School and is the daughter of Jeremy and Amanda Ward.*

cultivates excellence in today's highly competitive, skilled workforce. We are proud of each and every one of our new inductees!

## Student Spotlight

### Takhaya Taylor, Nursing Program

"When the going gets tough, the tough get going" is an old adage that applies to this Prosser senior. Takhaya was so motivated to learn and become a nurse that on her first day at Prosser, she missed the Prosser bus as it departed Jeffersonville High School. Many would have checked into a study hall, but not Takhaya. She hailed a cab and was in her seat as the Prosser morning bell rang. "It is rare that you find a student who exhibits the motivation and commitment that I have seen in Takhaya" states her counselor, Deanna Maxwell.



*Takhaya Taylor is the daughter of Ms. Stacy Crawford and Mr. Tyrone Taylor of Clarksville.*

Attending her Prosser Health Careers class every morning is just the start of her day. She also participates in the Greater Clark County Schools Internship Program by interning in the Intensive Care Unit at Clark Memorial Hospital. Next, Takhaya goes to her job with Kindred Health Care, working in the Dietary Department.

Takhaya truly appreciates the teaching style of her Prosser Instructor, Ms. Grassmyer. Takhaya says that Prosser is providing her a "Great head start in nursing!" Her future plans include the pursuit of a Bachelor's of Science in Nursing from The University of Indianapolis.

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