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Warner Robins High School Celebrates Professional Interest Exploration Students and Community Partners



HOUSTON COUNTY, GA – Dozens of community partners attended Warner Robins High School's annual Professional Interest Exploration (PIE) Coffee on April 15. Through the PIE program, 61 seniors enrolled in humanities classes were able to obtain real-world work experience in an area they are considering for college and/or a career. The purpose of the PIE Coffee event was to thank community partners who have worked with the students for the past four months.

The PIE program allows key decision makers to teach young people through exposure to their organizational environment. In return, students provide fresh ideas, energy, enthusiastic interest and volunteer skills.

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Senior Zane Finnegan spent the last 10 weeks working with the Fine Arts Society of Middle Georgia. Finnegan, who plans to major in animation at Savannah College of Art & Design, says the PIE program was a great experience.

“Not only did I get to see art from different parts of the world, I was able to meet local artists and see their work,” said Finnegan. “I learned so much, and it was nice to have local artists support me.”

Allan Carey from the Fine Arts Society of Middle Georgia complemented her PIE student’s creativity and knowledge, saying “I think Zane taught me more than I taught Zane.”

Seniors Rebekah Martinez and Brenton Hodson spent their PIE time working at Flint Energies. Both students said their favorite part of the experience was touring the System Operations Center, which is staffed 24-7 to monitor the EMC’s 6,948 miles of line. Flint Energies also watches the weather from the operations center in case of storms that could affect their members.

Martinez, who wants to major in public relations, said she was amazed at the amount of coordination and communication that took place. Hodson, who plans to become a mechanical engineer, was able to get a first-hand look at how Flint Energies works to reduce their environmental footprint.



He said, “I was impressed with their workshop where they would repair and restore equipment. They make sure that very little is wasted or thrown away.”

Warner Robins High School is always in need of employers who will sponsor PIE students for the 10-week program. Interested businesses are encouraged to contact Louis Leskosky at Louis.Leskosky@hcbe.net or Scott Daniel at Scott.Daniel@hcbe.net. Warner Robins High School is located at 401 South Davis Drive in Warner Robins. Mr. Chris McCook serves as principal. For more information about Warner Robin High School, visit <https://wrhs.hcbe.net/>.

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