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## **New Public-Private Partnership to Prepare More Than 6,000 Students for High-Skill Jobs**

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**Governor Andrew M. Cuomo this week announced 16 winners of a statewide competition to form public-private partnerships that will prepare more than 6,000 New York high school students for high-skill jobs in technology, manufacturing and healthcare. Students will earn an associate degree at no cost to their families and will be first in line for jobs with participating companies when they graduate.**

The NYS Pathways in Technology Early College High School (NYS P-TECH) partnerships will provide nearly 6,000 students with a high school diploma, college degree and pathway to a job. With today's announcement, New York State is the first in the nation to implement a statewide "P-TECH" initiative that links education to regional economic development.

NYS P-TECH was announced as part of the Governor's 2013-2014 Executive Budget and will receive additional funding and support through the State Education Department. The public-private initiative was launched in partnership with IBM, which helped create the P-TECH program and will provide tools, training and support to each NYS P-TECH school.

The NYS P-TECH partnership builds on the nationally recognized success of IBM's Pathways in Technology Early College High School (P-TECH) in New York City

Winning partnerships were selected through a highly competitive process and represent leading industries in each of the state's 10 Regional Economic Development Council areas.

**The 16 NYS P-TECH partnerships are:**

**Capital Region**

- o Manufacturing – Business: GLOBALFOUNDRIES
- o Higher Education: SUNY Adirondack
- o K-12: Regional consortium led by Washington-Saratoga-Warren-Hamilton-Essex BOCES with fiscal lead Hudson Falls School District
- Clean Technologies – Businesses: GLOBALFOUNDRIES, Cisco and TRC
- o Higher Education: Hudson Valley Community College
- o K-12: Regional consortium led by Ballston Spa School District
- Advanced Manufacturing – Businesses: Center for Economic Growth, GE Health Care and Regeneron
- o Higher Education: Hudson Valley Community College
- o K-12: Regional consortium led by Questar III BOCES with fiscal lead Troy City School District

**Central New York**

- o Manufacturing – Businesses: Manufacturers Association of Central New York
- o Higher Education: Onondaga Community College
- o K-12: Syracuse City School District

## **Finger Lakes**

- Agri-Business & Advanced Manufacturing – Businesses: Genesee County Economic Development Center

- o Higher Education: Genesee Community College

- o K-12: Regional consortium led by Genesee Valley Educational Partnership with fiscal lead Byron-Bergen Central School District

- Computer Systems Technology & Computer Information Systems – Businesses: Regional consortium led by Wegmans Food Markets

- o Higher Education: Monroe Community College

- o K-12: Rochester City School District

## **Hudson Valley**

- o Information Technology – Business: IBM

- o Higher Education: SUNY Orange

- o K-12: Newburgh Enlarged City School District

- Computer Information Technology, Engineering and Health & Green Building Technology – Businesses: Avon, Fairway Testing, All Bright Electric, Hightech Security Services and Wick Arborists

- o Higher Education: Rockland Community College, Westchester Community College and SUNY IT

- o K-12: Regional consortium led by Rockland BOCES with fiscal lead North Rockland Central School District

- Science, Technology, Engineering & Math (STEM) – Businesses: Hudson Valley Council of Industry

- o Higher Education: Ulster Community College, Dutchess Community College, Orange Community College, Sullivan Community College and SUNY New Paltz

- o K-12: Regional consortium led by Ulster BOCES with fiscal lead Kingston City School District

- Architecture – Businesses: Fuller D’Angelo and Yonkers Workforce Investment Board

- o Higher Education: Westchester Community College

- o K-12: Yonkers Public Schools

### **Long Island**

- o Mechanical Engineering – Business: Arkwin Industries

- o Higher Education: Farmingdale State College

- o K-12: Regional consortium led by Uniondale Union Free School District

Mohawk Valley

- Manufacturing – Businesses: 16 regional companies

- o Higher Education: Fulton-Montgomery Community College

- o K-12: Regional consortium led by Hamilton-Fulton-Montgomery BOCES with fiscal lead Gloversville Enlarged City School District

### **New York City**

- o Information Technology – Business: SAP**

- o Higher Education: CUNY**

- o K-12: New York City Department of Education**

### **North Country**

- Manufacturing – Businesses: ETS, Fujitsu, Bombardier, Nova Bus, Spencer ARL, Swarovski and Camoplast.

- o Higher Education: Clinton Community College and Clarkson University

- o K-12: Regional consortium led by Peru Central School District

### **Southern Tier**

- Health-Tech & Manufacturing – Businesses: Lockheed Martin MS2, Rockwell-Collins, Delta Engineers, Architect & Land Surveyors, P.C., Bothar Construction, Our Lady of

Lourdes Memorial Hospital, Inc., and United Health Services Hospitals, Inc.

- o Higher Education: Broome Community College

- o K-12: Regional consortium led by Binghamton City School District

### **Western New York**

- o Health Care – Business: Catholic Health System

- o Higher Education: Trocaire College

- o K-12: Regional consortium led by Lackawanna City School District

State Education Commissioner John B. King, Jr. said, “When it comes to strengthening our schools, we know one size doesn’t fit all students. We have to innovate. That’s why Chancellor Tisch and the Board of Regents have strongly supported the expansion of high quality career and technical education and early college high school programs. The P-TECH model brings business, schools and colleges together to help students prepare for college and career success. We know the P-TECH model keeps students engaged in school and learning. And we know it provides excellent career opportunities for students when they graduate.”

Nancy Zimpher, Chancellor of the State University of New York said, “NYS P-TECH is an innovative program that connects high school, college, and the world of work, all aligned through a single challenging curriculum that keeps students focused, engaged, and excited. I congratulate Governor Cuomo on his vision in scaling up this exemplary program to have a statewide presence with at least one P-TECH in every region of the State and I am proud that SUNY has been selected to participate in so many of these vital partnerships.”

Pending negotiation and approval of each applicant’s budget, the winners will spend the 2013-14 school year recruiting students, building partnerships and training teachers and principals, and will enroll their first class of students in September 2014.

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