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## **Career Tech Center Student Wins Award At Statewide Career Conference**

TRAVERSE CITY, MI –A student from the Traverse Bay Area ISD Career Tech Center brought home top honors from the Jobs for Michigan's Graduates (JMG) Career Development Conference held April 20 in Lansing. Jasmine Tipton finished in first place in the Interviewing Skills competition at the conference. Tipton, from Mancelona, is a senior in the Tech Center's Automotive Technology program. Tech Center students Julissa Martin, a junior from Kingsley and Nicholas Sythat, a junior from Traverse City Central, also attended the conference.

Over 200 students from around the state took part in the Career Development Conference. Along with competing, the students had the opportunity to network with other JMG students and hear a keynote presentation by Byron Garrett, the Chairman of the National Family Engagement Alliance. The TBA students also got to meet with Representative Larry Inman and Senator Darwin Booher. The students were joined on the trip by TBAISD Career Prep Specialist and JMG Manager, Dana Venhuizen.

The statewide Jobs for Michigan's Graduates program helps Michigan's young adults graduate and make successful transitions to postsecondary education or meaningful employment. Northwest Michigan Works! coordinates JMG programs at the TBAISD Career-Tech Center, the Char-Em ISD, and the Wexford-Missaukee Career Tech Center.

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