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Monroe Career & Technical Institute Students Place 1st in LMP State Competition

Four students from the Monroe Career & Technical Institute placed first in the Lodging Management Program State Competition. This competition was held March 10 - 12, 2010, at the Nittany Lion Inn in State College, PA. The team was comprised of Brandon Gargan, Bill Hagen, Angela Heffer and Jasmine Hurt. Their teacher is Patricia LeCompte.

Students competed against other qualified high school teams in a variety of activities designed to test their skill-level and professionalism in the hospitality management field. In order to compete, all students and their schools must first comply with very strict educational program standards as dictated by the Educational Institute of the American Hotel & Lodging Association.

Monroe Career & Technical Institute's team won the gold medal for The Hospitality Project, where they demonstrated their knowledge, skills and abilities in planning an event. They placed first in the Food & Beverage Competition, first in the Room Inspections Competition and second in the Sales & Marketing Competition. The team also won the gold medal for their performance in the question and answer Knowledge Bowl. Their overall scores earned them the 1st Place Award for the Competition.

The Pennsylvania Department of Education and Penn State Hospitality Services co-sponsored this year's Competition.

The students will now represent Pennsylvania at the 2010 Lodging Management Program National Competition on April 15 -17, 2010, in Orlando, FL. The Educational Institute of the American Hotel & Lodging Association produces this event.

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The Monroe Career & Technical Institute Team; (L-R) Patricia LeCompte, Bill Hagen, Angela Heffer, Jasmine Hurt and Brandon Gargan.