



# CT AHEC FYI

Connecticut Area Health Education Center Network

Connecting students to careers, professionals to communities and communities to better health.

## CT-Delegation N-JSHS 2020



Connecticut's delegation at the 2020 National Junior Science and Humanities Symposium

### Supporting Primary Care Workforce Development in Connecticut By:

- ▶ Promoting Strong Community/Academic Partnerships
- ▶ Creating Pipeline Programs for Pre-Health Professions Students
- ▶ Supporting Health Careers Awareness Programming
- ▶ Providing Community-Based Training for Health Professions Students
- ▶ Supporting Community-Based Health Education and Screenings
- ▶ Promoting Strategies to Address Health Disparities

### CT AHEC Network Regional Centers:

Central AHEC, Inc. (Hartford, Middlesex and Tolland Counties, Meriden and Wallingford)

## CT AHEC Supports STEM Workforce Development at Symposium

The Connecticut Junior Science and Humanities Symposium (JSHS) was again hosted by CT AHEC at UConn Health in Farmington.

Over 200 participants from 40 high schools either competed with or observed STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) research presentations as well as took part in career panels, a humanities activity, and research lab tours and demonstrations, including EASTCONN'S Mobile STEM Lab. JSHS presents students with problems facing society and challenges them to be the workforce that will make the discoveries to solve these problems.

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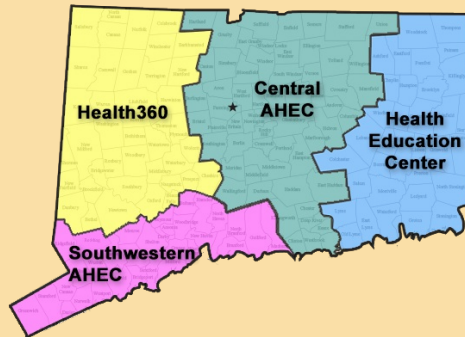
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Five of Connecticut's top competitors earned a spot at the National JSHS held virtually this month (originally scheduled for Virginia Beach/Norfolk, Virginia). Two Connecticut students especially stood out: **Ashley Granquist**, of William H. Hall High School, West Hartford, who placed first in the physical sciences poster competition, for her research with telescope data to identify possible black hole candidates; and **Halla Clausi**, of Greenwich High School, who placed third in the biomedical sciences poster competition, for creating a field test using saliva to activate a color-changing sensor for diagnosis of liver cancer.

JSHS is organized by the National Science Teaching Association with the sponsorship of the U.S. Army, Navy and Air Force to encourage young people to pursue careers in STEM. CT JSHS is yet another example of how CT AHEC is preparing the state's workforce for tomorrow.

The statewide Connecticut Area Health Education Center (CT AHEC) Network, based at UConn Health, is implemented through four regional centers which enable the CT AHEC Network to provide high-quality, efficient, effective and flexible services that meet local needs. Thank you for your continued support of the CT AHEC Network.

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