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Autry Names February Students of the Month

ENID, Okla. – Autry Technology Center has named three students as the February Students of the Month. These students were selected based on their performance in and out of the classroom as students, role models and future professionals.

Saundra De Loa is a second-year adult student in the Clinical Medical Assisting program at Autry Technology Center. She graduated from Enid High School in 2017 and is currently utilizing the Autry Scholarship for her career training. De Loa completed the Dental Assisting program at Autry last year. She is an active member of HOSA, serving as the all-school HOSA President for morning classes. De Loa also serves as an Autry Professional Representative for her program, assisting with recruitment, marketing efforts and on-campus tours and events.

“Saundra has a positive attitude and is helpful to all students,” said Sandra Patocka, Clinical Medical Assisting instructor. “She is a true leader and conducts herself in a positive professional manner.”

Mathew Rowley is a second-year high school student in the Construction Technology program at Autry Technology Center. He is also a senior at Enid High School. Rowley has competed in SkillsUSA competitions on the local and regional level, placing 4th in the regional Cabinetmaking contest last year. He also serves as an Autry Professional Representative. Rowley also works at Lowe’s where he is able to use what he has learned in the program to assist customers with their projects.

“Mathew works very diligently to learn new concepts,” said Jeff Clark, Construction Technology instructor. “When he mastered a concept, he takes great pride in helping show the techniques and skills to other students. He is always willing to jump in and lend a helping hand to anyone. He will be a great asset to the construction industry.”

Riley Mooney is a first-year high school student in the Information Technology program at Autry Technology Center. He is also a junior at Enid High School. Mooney will be competing in the BPA Spring Leadership Conference and Contest in areas like IT Concepts, PC Servicing and Troubleshooting and Computer Networking. He worked ahead in the program curriculum to ensure he is adequately prepared for the contests. Mooney is also an Autry Professional Representative.

“Riley jumped right into the IT program with a good attitude,” said Melissa Hula and Barbara Leathers, Information Technology instructors. “He uses self-management very effectively and stays on task with his coursework to meet his goals. Riley is eager to learn, very motivated and works hard on his assignments and labs. He is a critical thinker and problem solver, which will be a great skill to have in the IT field. He is also a good communicator with his instructors and classmates.”

Autry Technology Center has been a part of the Enid community since 1967 and is one of 29 CareerTech schools across Oklahoma. The center has more than 25 career programs and offers a wide variety of evening and weekend short-term courses and certifications for many diverse career fields. Autry serves nearly 16,000 individuals each year, including many area employees who receive training through the Business and Industry Services Department that works with over 500 local businesses each year.

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