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Autry Names April Students of the Month

ENID, Okla. – Autry Technology Center has named three students as the April 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.

Autumn Anderson is second-year high school student in the Early Care and Hospitality program at Autry Technology Center. She is also a senior at Enid High School and works part time at Old Navy. Autumn led a team of her classmates in decorating more than 600 sugar cookies for Autry's 50th Anniversary Celebration. She is also a talented painter and uses her skills to assist with class projects at local early care centers. She plans to attend Northern Oklahoma College next year to work on her degree in child psychology.

"Autumn is a team player and proactive in everything," said Tammie Conaway, Early Care & Hospitality instructor. "She is always willing to do whatever I ask of her in class. Through her projects and presentations, Autumn has become outgoing and a leader in our class."

McKenna Blanchard is a first-year high school student in the Dental Assisting program at Autry Technology Center. She is also a senior at Drummond High School where she is active in FCCLA, softball and track. She also works part time at Maurice's. McKenna is an active member of HOSA, participating in all community service projects and events. She also recently placed 2nd at the State HOSA contest in Dental Science. She is planning on attending Southwestern Oklahoma State University and majoring in Pre-Dentistry.

"McKenna is a very positive young lady," said Traci Gosney, Dental Assisting instructor. "She is always ready to help others and she always has a smile on her face."

Francisco Morales is a second-year high school student in the Information Technology program at Autry Technology Center. He is also a senior at Enid High School. He recently placed first in Systems Administration Using Cisco, third in PC Servicing and Troubleshooting and third in Information Technology Concepts at this year's BPA State Spring Leadership Conference. He will compete in all three of these events at the BPA National Leadership Conference in Dallas, Texas, in May.

"Francisco is doing an excellent job in our program," said Barbara Leathers and Melissa Hula, Information Technology instructors. "He is currently carrying a 4.0 average in all of the courses and has a very good attendance record. He is always on task with his coursework and is very dedicated. He is a critical thinker and has an aptitude for IT. This will enable him to be successful in the IT area!"

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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