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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.

Noel Vega is a second-year high school student in the Collision Repair Technology program at Autry Technology Center. He is also a senior at Pioneer High School. Vega competed in the Collision Repair State SkillsUSA Contest last year and placed 6th. He has been preparing for the 2019 State Contest with the goal of receiving a medal. He is currently participating in supervised work experience at Elite Collision Center and plans to work there full time after completing his training at Autry.

“Noel is always eager to learn.,” said Mark Wright, Collision Repair Technology instructor. “He always has assignments and tests done without having to be reminded. He is willing to help other students when needed. He is the kind of student every instructor wants to have in their class.”

Sierra Sumner is a first-year adult student in the Business Management & Entrepreneurship program at Autry Technology Center. Her focus is accounting. She graduated from Garber High School in 2017 and is utilizing the Autry Tuition Scholarship to continue her education. Sumner placed 2nd in College Payroll Accounting and 3rd in College Accounting at the 2019 State BPA Spring Leadership Conference. She was also selected as a member of the National Technical Honor Society. Sumner is currently working part time as an office clerk at Cummins Construction Company.

“Sierra does an excellent job in my program,” said Lavon Holtzinger, Business Management & Entrepreneurship instructor. “She is always on task, exceeds the deadlines, and turns in quality work. She is always kind and willing to help her classmates. She is very focused on her curriculum and has worked ahead to finish the accounting program a year early.”

Rindee Payne is a first-year student in the Dental Assisting program at Autry Technology Center. She is also a senior at Chisholm High School where she is a member of Chisholm FFA Chapter and shows sheep. Payne recently placed first in the Dental Science competition at the 2019 HOSA State Contest. She qualified for the International HOSA Leadership Conference and Contests in Orlando, Florida, in June 2019.

“Rindee has always been a leader in my class,” said Traci Gosney, Dental Assisting instructor. “She is very passionate about her chosen career field. She has always been ready for any task I have offered the class. Her leadership and professionalism are second to none.”

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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