

Northern Neck Technical Center Student of the Year

Each June a Student of the Year at the Northern Neck Technical Center is chosen. Besides having a recommendation from his/her technical instructor, this student must have excellent attendance with no suspensions, maintain at least a 90% average, hold membership in a student club such as SkillsUSA, and be selected as Most Outstanding Student for at least one quarter.

This year, Carpentry II student Ben France from Rappahannock High School was chosen as Student of the Year against some stiff competition. Ben has only missed 2 days of school and has maintained a 96+ % average throughout his 2-year program at the Technical Center. He was chosen by instructor Bobby Forrester as Carpentry Student of the Year in 2009 and 2010. He has twice represented NNTC in SkillsUSA district competitions and has placed 2nd both times. This year Ben served as the only student representative on the NNTC Foundation Board, which makes decisions on the JOIST Project house-building program and scholarship recipients. Mr. Forrester describes Ben as a “great young man always willing to do more.”

Principal Randy Long presented Ben with an engraved plaque and a laptop computer to assist him in his future endeavors. His name has been added to a permanent Student of the Year display in the main hallway of the Technical Center. The administrators and staff at the Northern Neck Technical Center congratulate Ben for this well-deserved award.