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Putnam technical center students demonstrate success to state officials

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ELEANOR, W.Va. -- Putnam Career and Technical Center students demonstrated Project-Based Learning first hand to state officials during a recent meeting.

Principal Robert Manley said the West Virginia Coordinating Council, including the West Virginia state superintendent of schools, assistant superintendents and West Virginia Department of Education directors and coordinators, met with the technical center educators and Pro-Start students, to learn more about the method of instruction called Project-Based Learning being used at the Eleanor campus.

These Pro-Start students were winners of the 2007-08 West Virginia Hospitality Education and Training Cup where their cooking and preparation talents resulted in a gold medal.

While showing off their skills with a small culinary display, the students answered questions from the council about their own experiences with this hands-on learning and testing method.

Manly said there was also discussion about other technical center programs that serve as building blocks to one another including building construction, masonry, HVAC, AutoCad, plumbing, electrical technology and CISCO programs.

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