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Bristol Technical Education Center Student Advances to National Competition — Community Support Needed

Bristol, CT — Bristol Technical Education Center is proud to announce that Chloe Simoes has earned 1st Place in Baking & Pastry Arts at the 2026 SkillsUSA State Leadership Conference. With this outstanding achievement, Chloe will represent the state of Connecticut at the SkillsUSA National Leadership & Skills Conference in Atlanta, Georgia, taking place the first week of June.

Chloe's accomplishment reflects not only her exceptional culinary skills, but also her dedication, discipline, and commitment to excellence in the Baking & Pastry Arts field. Competing at the national level will give her the opportunity to showcase her talents among the best students from across the country.

To help make this opportunity possible, **Bristol Technical Education Center is seeking community support and financial contributions to assist with travel, lodging, competition materials, and related expenses.** The total needed is just over \$3,000.00

"We are incredibly proud of Chloe and all she has accomplished," said Department Head Francine Bove. "This is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity, and we are asking our community to come together to support her journey to nationals."

Donations of any amount are greatly appreciated and will directly support Chloe's participation in this prestigious event. Businesses, organizations, and individuals are encouraged to contribute and be part of supporting the next generation of skilled professionals.

How to Contribute: Checks can be made payable to *SkillsUSA Connecticut*
Mailed to 431 Minor Street Bristol CT 06010

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