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Local Jobs for Michigan's Graduates Students Attend Career Development Conference

NORTHWEST LOWER, MI— Students in the Jobs for Michigan's Graduates (JMG) program coordinated by Northwest Michigan Works! attended the JMG Career Development Conference April 29 in Lansing. A total of 25 students from northwest Lower Michigan participated in the event including students from Cadillac Innovation High School, Mackinaw Trail Middle School in Cadillac, CASMAN Academy in Manistee, the Char-Em ISD, North Ed Career Tech Center in Traverse City, the Wexford-Missaukee Career Tech Center, and Northwestern Michigan College.

While they were in Lansing the students participated in several competitive events including Career Preparation, Creative Problem Solving, Interview Skills, and JMG Bowl, a team quiz event where they learned about business, industry, and parliamentary procedure. Two northwest Michigan students placed in the Career Preparation event. Sereta Fager from NMC took 2nd place and Elizabeth Garrett from CASMAN Academy took 3rd place. Students attending the conference also listened to a keynote presentation and networked with other JMG students from around the state.

Jobs for Michigan's Graduates equips young people with the skills to overcome barriers and succeed in education, employment, and in life. It is the leading program of Youth Solutions, Inc., a premier youth opportunity organization delivering employability and education services to young people across the state.

Northwest Michigan Works! coordinates JMG programs at Cadillac's Mackinaw Trail Middle School, Cadillac Public and Innovation High Schools, CASMAN Academy in Manistee, Charlevoix-Emmet Intermediate School District, the North Ed Career-Tech Center, the Wexford-Missaukee Career-Tech Center, and a college program at Northwestern Michigan College.

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