

**MARCH 2023**

# CTE



## STUDENT OF THE MONTH

### MATTHEW MORRIS

"WORKING IN CO-OP HAS BEEN ONE OF THE GREATEST HONORS I'VE EVER HAD. IT TEACHES INDIVIDUALS A WIDE RANGE OF SKILLS AND HOW IMPORTANT IT IS TO BE A HARD WORKER IN TODAY'S WORLD. CO-OP HAS TAUGHT ME MANY IMPORTANT LIFE SKILLS I USE EVERY DAY, LIKE TIME MANAGEMENT, ORGANIZATION, TEAMWORK, COMMUNICATION, PROBLEM-SOLVING, ADAPTABILITY, AND MOST IMPORTANTLY RESPONSIBILITY. WITHOUT MRS. CRANE AND THE CO-OP PROGRAM I WOULDN'T KNOW WHERE MY LIFE WOULD BE TODAY AND SO WOULD MANY OTHERS! DESPITE MY LOVE FOR CO-OP FBLA HAS TO BE MY FAVORITE CTE PROGRAM! THE SKILLS AND KNOWLEDGE I'VE LEARNED FROM FBLA HAS HELP ME SUCCEED IN MANY FIELDS, NOT JUST BUSINESS. IT'S TAUGHT ME COMMUNICATION AND CRITICAL THINKING, AND DEVELOPED MY PROBLEM SOLVING SKILLS. THE MOST VALUABLE LESSON I'VE LEARNED FROM FBLA IS THE IMPORTANCE OF A LEADER AND WHAT THAT ROLE REALLY MEANS. LEADERS ARE THOSE WHO JUST DON'T INSTRUCT AND GUIDE BUT ONES WHO ACT AND HELP. FROM THAT LESSON I'VE MADE LIFE LONG FRIENDS FROM GIVING THEM CLOTHES TO WEAR TO JUST MAKING PEOPLE LAUGH ONCE IN A WHILE. IF ANYONE IS INTERESTED IN PURSUING A CAREER, TO MAKE FRIENDS,OR JUST SIMPLY WANTS TO IMPROVE THEIR SKILLS AS A LEADER. I WOULD HIGHLY SUGGEST JOINING SARALAND FBLA OR CO-OP PROGRAM."

— MATTHEW MORRIS

#### **MATTHEW IS BEING RECOGNIZED FOR HIS DEDICATION TO CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION.**

- Matthew was nominated by Mrs. Crane for outstanding work in Cooperative Education. He works at Holly's Pawn Shop where he has received multiple raises and regularly works over 30 hours a week.
- Matthew is in the Leo Club and National Honor Society and is the City of Saraland junior councilman. He is also in FBLA and placed 2nd at the FBLA state competition, and then went on to earn a top 20 finish at Nationals in Chicago. His subject was Entertainment Management.
- Matthew plans to attend Coastal Community College and then the University of South Alabama as he works toward his career goal of being a lawyer with Child Protective Services.

