classroom and lab work at Suffolk County Community College with actual work experience at Toyota dealerships.

United States Congressman Steve Israel announced a new "Cyber College Partnership" between Nassau and Suffolk counties, the College, Long Island University and Nassau Community College to develop Long Island into a national cybersecurity hub. The initiative will focus on aligning curricula at Long Island community colleges and universities to address the growing demand for cybersecurity professionals throughout New York and the United States. I believe that fostering cooperation that leads to educating the next generation of cybersecurity experts will help draw more industry to Long Island.



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Board of Trustee member Denise Lindsay Sullivan advised the College that the Hampton Bays School District, where she serves as Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum, would be recognized as a District of Distinction for the pilot program completed as part of its partnership with the College that was developed to address the number of students entering College needing remedial math and English.

During the past year, I have had numerous opportunities to speak with other College Presidents in our regional area. Most recently, I met with the President and the Provost of St. John's University and the President of St. Joseph's College to discuss potential partnership opportunities and to update them on strategic activities taking place at the College.

Staff is establishing a partnership between the Peconic Teachers Center, Molloy College and the Eastern Campus to provide academic coursework in modern language instruction for Eastern Suffolk teachers interested in obtaining English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) certification.

SkillsUSA is a national partnership of students, teachers and industry representatives working together to ensure America has a trained workforce in technical, skilled and service occupations, including health occupations. The Michael J. Grant Campus hosted Skills USA in March.

Diversity

I have directed that the College invest its resources in support of developing and promoting best practices for inclusion and building a consistent foundation for a true understanding of all the facets of difference that exist within our college community and are reflective of Suffolk County. In order to accomplish this, numerous presentations, extensive outreach, and formalized training sessions took place this year.



In conjunction with the College's offices of Legal Affairs and Employee Resources, we successfully implemented the second phase of online training through Workplace Answers, LLC. Through our contract with this vendor, we are able to provide online employee training modules college-wide covering critical topics such as diversity, discrimination, sexual harassment, bullying, FERPA and OSHA compliance, and supervisory responsibility. Six training modules were completed over the course of the past year, with two additional modules due for completion by the end of 2015. All College employees, both full-time and part-time, are required to complete the courses. These online training programs are designed to provide the tools and resources to ensure that everyone understands their rights and responsibilities in the workplace.

Through a targeted calendar of face-to-face training sessions and workshops, we made