

PennDOT 'Innovations Challenge' Winners Announced

By Sean Brown

Harrisburg, PA – The Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT) today announced that a team of students from Monroe Career and Technical Institute in Bartonsville, Monroe County has been selected as the statewide winner for the 2021-2022 Innovations Challenge. Their names are Neylla Joseph, Kyle Jarrett, Brittany Ulate-Mora, and Gavin Glukhoy.

Since last fall, high school students in grades nine through 12 have been working hard to solve this year's challenge, which asked students to develop a comprehensive and cost-effective public engagement strategy, beyond the current public engagement procedures (outlined in Publication 295) that uses innovative technologies and tools that PennDOT can implement to more effectively engage and connect with all age groups during the transportation planning and project development process.

"Each year, the PennDOT Innovations Challenge allows us to turn to the next generation of leaders to become an active part of proposing potential solutions to the challenges we face," said PennDOT Secretary Yassmin Gramian. "I commend all of the students who participated in this year's challenge for their ingenuity and creativity in developing solutions to this real-world transportation challenge."

Mentored by Ross Ruschman, the statewide winning team members are Neylla Joseph, Kyle Jarrett, Brittany Ulate-Mora, and Gavin Glukhoy. Their proposed innovative solution was the PaE3 program, which stands for Excite, Educate and Engage. The PaE3 program is an innovative way of using existing technologies to approach the need for communication between PennDOT and its key stakeholders and get



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