

# Passaic County Technical Institute

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## PCTI Student Honored By National Merit Scholarship Program

**Wayne, NJ – FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**—Hawthorne native, Abby Hartog of Passaic County Technical Institute (PCTI), has been named a Commended Student in the 2012 National Merit Scholarship Program. PCTI principal, Joseph DiGise, will present a letter of Commendation from both the school and the National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC) to the scholastically talented senior.

About 34,000 Commended Students throughout the nation are being recognized for their exceptional academic promise. Commended Students placed among the top five percent of more than 1.5 million students who entered the 2012 competition by taking the 2010 Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT).

“The young men and women being named Commended Students have demonstrated outstanding potential for academic success,” said a NMSC spokesperson. “These students represent a valuable national resource; recognizing their accomplishments, as well as the key role in their schools play in their academic development, is vital to the advancement of educational excellence in our nation. We hope that this recognition will help broaden their educational opportunities and encourage them as they continue their pursuit of academic success.”



**Photo Caption:** Abby Hartog is honored by the National Merit Scholarship Program for her Commended Student status.