

# Passaic County Technical Institute

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## PCTI Dancers Chosen to Receive National Honor

**Wayne, NJ – FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE** – Passaic County Technical Institute students, Damani Van Rensalier and Joy Giuffre of the School Performing Arts Dance, were recently selected as Finalists for their submissions to the 2015 NDEO (National Dance Education Organization) for the Artistic Merit, Leadership, and Academic Achievement Award! They were the only students from New Jersey to be recognized with this award.

The competition is open to junior and senior students who were inducted into the National Honor Society for Dance Arts. Nominees are evaluated based on three categories: Artistic Merit, Leadership, and Academic Achievement. Students are required to demonstrate exemplary character through service to the community, a high cumulative GPA average, and much more. They are also required to write multiple essays on the topics of choreography, leadership, future plans, and the impact of dance.

Receiving the Finalist title is the second highest honor one can receive. Congratulations to Damani Van Rensalier and Joy Giuffre for exceling in their fields and achieving this outstanding feat!



PCTI senior Damani Van Rensalier of Paterson was named a finalist for her submission to the 2015 NDEO Artistic Merit, Leadership, and Academic Achievement Award.



PCTI junior Joy Giuffre of Wayne was named a finalist for her submission to the 2015 NDEO Artistic Merit, Leadership, and Academic Achievement Award.