

# PCTI STUDENT OF THE MONTH

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## Dedicated & Driven with a Passion for Happiness MAHJABEEN SIDDIQI

Mahjabeen Siddiqi is a young woman from Paterson who champions the laidback philosophy of giving anything a shot. When attending PCTI, she was torn between two careers, but eventually chose the Academy of Medical Arts. “I figured, why not? It ended well because I really like it.”

Her quiet confidence can be attributed to her affinity for trying absolutely everything. Mahjabeen is thoroughly involved in numerous pursuits, including HOSA, the Muslim Student Association, Book Club, the Chair Committee of Crafts (as the Vice President), Gifted and Talented, the National Honor Society, Willpower for Girl Power, the World Language Honor Society, and the Rho Kappa History Honor Society.

Mahjabeen has earned numerous awards through HOSA competitions, including the Barbara James Service Award. She has even earned the honor to compete at this year’s International HOSA Conference in Florida! Mahjabeen was also selected for the Foundation for Success, Circle of Success, and has earned the Principal’s Honor Roll distinction for the past four years.

Throughout her high school career, she has accumulated more than one hundred and fifty service hours through community service pursuits, which



includes donating her time to Preakness Healthcare Center, the HOSA Blood Drive, and more. She is Basic Life Support certified, is a Certified Nursing Assistant, and will graduate with her EMT license.

It’s no surprise that Mahjabeen ranks in the top one percent of her class with a GPA of 4.47. She has the potential to graduate with thirty-two college

credits.

Fun fact: near and dear to Mahjabeen’s heart is the art of crafting. She’s known for making keychains to support HOSA events and more recently, has done the same for this year’s Charity Day.

When asked about her future, Mahjabeen was fittingly, all smiles. “I want to be a Pediatric Dentist.” She further

explained, “There’s just something about helping others and making them happy.”

She will attend Rutgers University where she will major in Biology. After graduation, she will pursue dental school.

This chipper Bulldog’s penchant for looking on the bright side and not sweating the small stuff has served her well. “I’m glad I found my path and plan on sticking to it,” she says. “You can’t doubt yourself. You always have to try.”

Congratulations to a young woman who has already accomplished much and will surely succeed exponentially in the future!

### HIGHLIGHTS

- Ranks in the top 1% of her class
- Will graduate with a potential 32 college credits
- Licensed CNA, First Aid & Basic Life Support certified
- Selected for Freshmen Foundation for Success, Circle of Success, NHS, WLHS, and Rho Kappa Honor Society
- Involved in HOSA, MSA, Book Club, Vice President of the Chair Committee of Crafts, & Willpower for Girl Power
- Goal: Graduate from Rutgers University with a Bachelor’s degree in Biology, enroll in dental school, become a Pediatric Dentist