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Dover Scrub Club Receives \$2,500 Grant

Dover High School has been awarded a \$2,500 grant from the Northeast Dutchess Fund of the Berkshire Taconic Community Foundation to support funding of its third year of the Scrub Club program. Catskill Hudson Area Health Education Center, creator of the Scrub Club program, assisted with the development and submission of this grant application and is pleased that the Fund continues to support this initiative.

Scrub Club was launched as a pilot program initiated at Dover High School during the 2012-13 school year, and is now implemented in eight high schools and organizations throughout the Catskill Hudson AHEC region. It is designed to help high school students build solid futures by introducing them to a broad array of healthcare careers through interactive programs, hands-on activities, and meaningful field trips. The goal is to engage students through encouragement and mentoring programs to demonstrate that continuing their education beyond high school can be meaningful, engaging, and relevant to their future.

“Scrub Club has given our students a great amount of exposure to many different health occupations. This program has created a connection between the Scrub Club students, assuring their success in this program. It is clear that when students feel connected to their schoolwork they will do better.” stated Michael Tierney, Superintendent of Dover Union Free School District. “The program adviser, Ann Murray, has a strong background in the healthcare field and has clearly shared her passion with the Club.” added Mr. Tierney.

Catskill Hudson AHEC is a non-profit organization whose mission is to address regional healthcare workforce shortages through education and collaborative community relationships to assist students, career seekers and health professionals. For additional information about Catskill Hudson AHEC programs, please visit www.chahec.org or call (845) 883-7260.

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