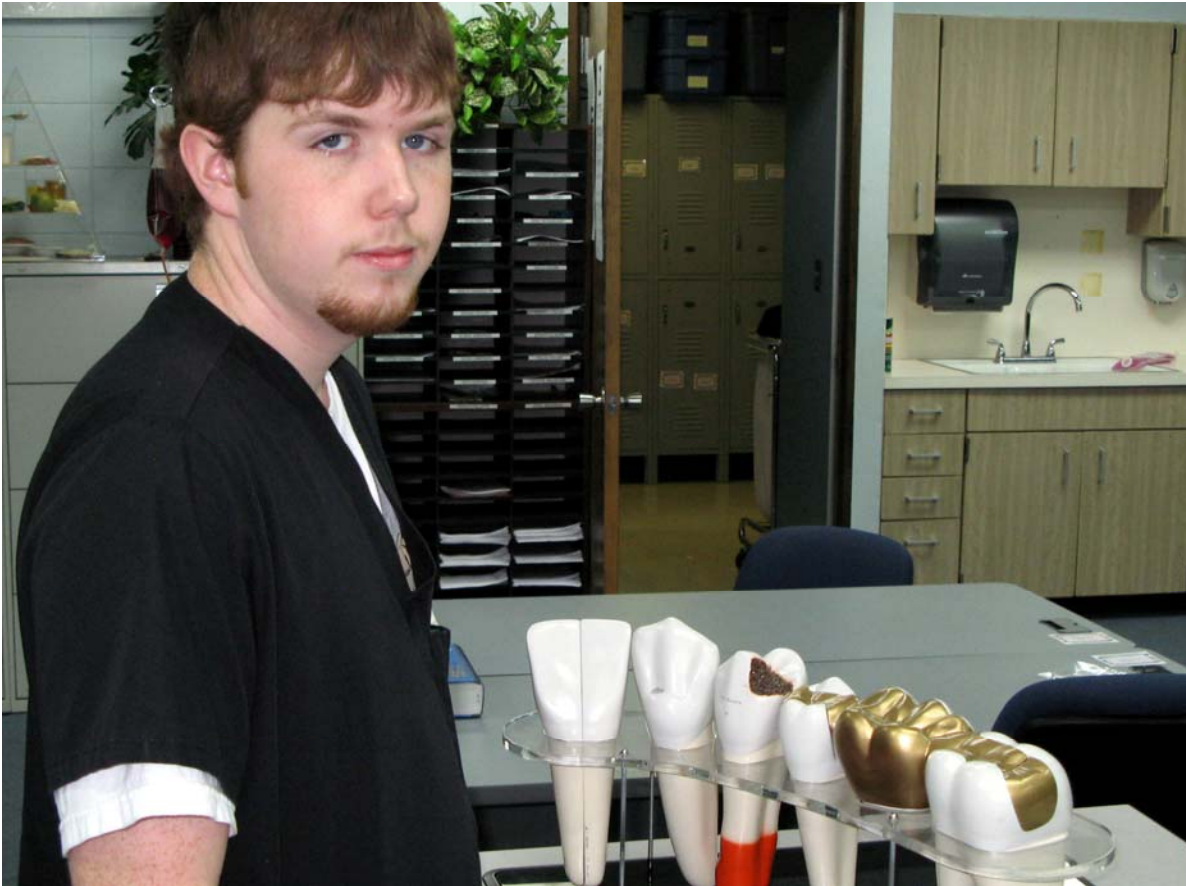


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## **Kory Jones Named ICTC HOSA Chapter's Outstanding Breaking Traditions Student For 2008**

The Health Science Technology Health Occupations Students of America (HOSA) AM Chapter on Indian Capital Technology Center's Muskogee Campus, has named Kory Jones, Porum, the HOSA Outstanding Breaking Traditions Student for 2008.

The Breaking Traditions Awards is sponsored by the Oklahoma Department of Career and Technology Education and spotlights students who have chosen specific career and technology programs because of their interests and abilities and who have not let their gender influence their decisions to prepare for nontraditional careers.

Kory Jones, a junior at Porum High School, is planning to be a Dental Hygienist. "When I was a baby, it was discovered that I had a tooth enamel defect resulting from incomplete formation of the enamel matrix," says

Jones. “When the enamel is affected in this manner, the teeth are weakened. Enamel is one of the hardest substances in the body; therefore, normal enamel offers more protection than defective enamel or no enamel.”

Most of Jones 17 years of life has been spent sitting in a dentist chair. “My Aunt worked for the dentist who has taken care of me through the years,” says Jones. “I spent a lot of time seeing the Dental Assistant and Dental Hygienist in the office. Many hours have been spent with my Dental Hygienist and I found the job very interesting. I decided several years ago that I wanted to pursue that career.”

Jones is a member of HOSA and is the Reporter for his chapter. He has received his CNA Home Health Certification, CPR and First Aide Certifications and will receive his Phelbotomy Certification. He will do his clinical experience with the dentist who has has treated him since a toddler.

“People should choose their career path by interest and not by gender. Through CareerTech I have been able to develop not only life skills, but a rewarding career path,” says Jones. “I look forward to being a responsible member of my community.”