

Sparks of recognition for CNY STEM support

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National Grid had a big presence when Partners for Education & Business held its annual awards ceremony at Le Moyne College in Syracuse recently. PEB – a [MACNY](#) affiliate serving as the [CNY STEM Hub Steward](#) – named National Grid its P-TECH (Pathways in Technology) Business of the Year. PEB also gave **Wally Dengos** its Career Spark Award for his commitment to advancing STEM education and inspiring students to explore and prepare for rewarding careers.

“I do a lot of STEM work, and I understand the value of helping someone and seeing them grow,” said Wally, a PEB board member. “It’s enlightening to see students interested in their future and seeing themselves being successful.”

Along with Wally, **Earl Barber**, **Patricia Bullis**, **Dave Melonson** and **Justin Okay** also serve as mentors of PEB’s Syracuse P-TECH Program, providing encouragement and support to students pursuing technical fields. P-TECH offers a six-year integrated high school and college curriculum for grades 9–14.

Wally Dengos, left, receives PEB’s Career Spark award

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