

## PRESS RELEASE

# PCTI Hosts Successful PCRC 5K Event

**Wayne, NJ – FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE** – This year’s Passaic County Runner’s Club Winter Series’ Finale Race (PCRC) was hosted at Passaic County Technical Institute (PCTI) on March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2014. The Sunday event was sponsored by the school’s Education Foundation, an organization which provides PCTI students with enhanced educational opportunities and scholarships.

President of the PCRC, Ross Mistretta, teamed up with PCTI Instructor Tracy Vicente to cultivate an event full of that famous Bulldog pride. Hundreds of students volunteered to run the race. Many PCTI staff members showed their support as well by tackling the 5k challenge. The race was open to the public and showcased numerous runners of all ages from New Jersey and New York.

Male and female student winners were recognized from the gold all the way to the bronze. First place winners received medals, technical shirts, and Kindle Paperwhites donated by Principal Dr. Michael Parent. Second place winners received medals, technical shirts, and \$25 gift certificates to Vinny’s Pizzarama. Third place winners received medals, technical shirts, and deluxe sports bottles from Mountain Peak Fitness.

First place Instructors Mark O’Neil and Jennifer Ackerman also received two large goodie bags donated by Trader Joe’s in Wayne.

What set the event apart was the tremendous energy and enthusiasm of student volunteers who cheered race-runners on to finish strong! In total, \$1,675 was raised to benefit students of Passaic County Technical Institute through the high school’s Education Foundation. Thank you to all volunteers, teachers, and staff who came out in support of PCTI’s inaugural 5K event!



**Photo Caption: Runners bolt past the starting line of the PCRC 5K held at Passaic County Technical Institute on Sunday, March 9<sup>th</sup>.**