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Jennifer Anasy, 17, of Harrison, does a mock interview with Joe Sownick Wednesday at Central Michigan University as part of Mock Interview Day.

Students interview for practice

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Area high school students were on their best behavior Wednesday. Dressed in professional

attire, 325 juniors and seniors from Farwell, Beal City, Shephard, Mt. Pleasant High Schools, Mt. Pleasant Christian Academy and Mt. Pleasant Area Technical Center attended Mock

Interview Day.

Held at Central Michigan University's Bovee University Center, the event was designed to teach students the different elements of the interview process.

"It's a real-world experience," said Carole Merwin, student services coordinator for the Mt. Pleasant Area Technical Center. "Every
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interview a student has makes it easier for the next one."

Interviewed by prospective employers in a specific field of interest, students were required to bring five copies of their resumes, cover letters, and an application for employment to the event, said Terry Petrongelli, an English teacher at Harrison High School.

Lasting 20 minutes, the interviews were conducted by business professionals from the community.

"The students I've seen have had a positive feeling about themselves," Petrongelli said. "It gives the students the feeling they can succeed."

Students said going through the process helped them understand what it takes to be prepared.