

# Porter County Career and Technical Education News

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*"Our job includes making a profound difference in the lives of our students!"*

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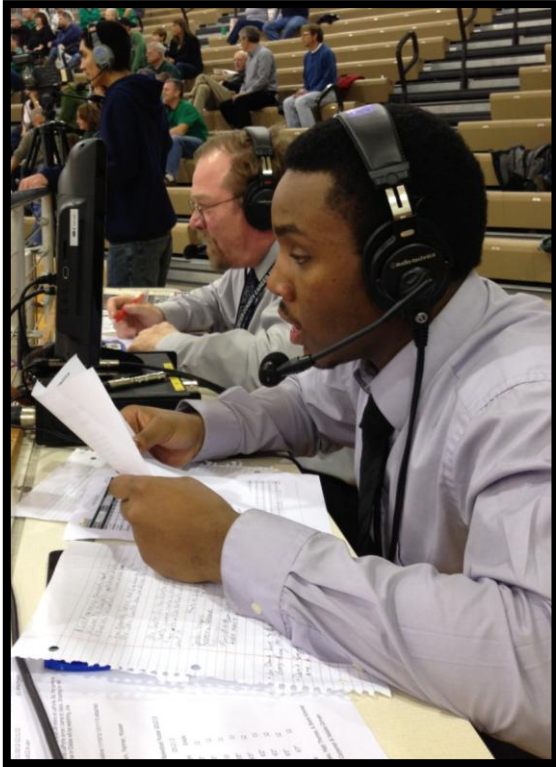
TAKE ON THE WORLD

## Video Production Students Broadcast Basketball Game



(L-R) Rebecca Annen (VHS), Jordan Simmons (VHS), Mr. Phelps, Kenneth Cohen (HHS), Mr. Groth, Andrew Malarik (PHS), and Ryan Potosky (HHS)

Mr. Phelps' crew of first year students did their opening basketball broadcast of the year with the Valparaiso/LaPorte boys basketball game. The game was a barnburner decided in the last five minutes with a Valpo victory. The crew ran two cameras and had instant replay featured as a part of their broadcast which was streamed live on ValpoLife and LaPorteCountyLife.com.



Kenneth Cohen, HHS TV Productions student, doing the live broadcast and play-by-play of the Valparaiso/LaPorte boys basketball game. Director, Mr. Groth, was helping by being the color analyst.



Jenna Wong, VHS senior, Marketing Class Store Manager, is pictured in her holiday apparel and offering up cupcakes which are one of her gluten-free specialties.

The strongest oak tree of the forest is not the one that is protected from the storm and hidden from the sun. It is the one that stands in the open, where it is compelled to struggle for its existence against the winds and rains and the scorching sun.  
Napoleon Hill

Porter County Career and Technical Center's  
DECA District Winners  
Top 8 advance to State DECA Competition

<b>Student</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Placed</b>	<b>School</b>
Ethan White	Principles of Business Management and Admin.	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Valparaiso
Jacob Devine	Principles of Business Management and Admin.	4 <sup>th</sup>	Valparaiso
Brittany Brice	Principles of Marketing	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Valparaiso
Katherine Phillis	Accounting	4 <sup>th</sup>	Washington
Mona Sehgal	Apparel & Accessories	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Valparaiso
Jenna Wong	Apparel & Accessories	4 <sup>th</sup>	Valparaiso
Jordyn Martich	Apparel & Accessories	8 <sup>th</sup>	Chesterton
Megan Hook	Automotive Services	6 <sup>th</sup>	Morgan
Connor Devine	Business Finance	1 <sup>st</sup>	Valparaiso
Chris Panayi	Business Finance	5 <sup>th</sup>	Valparaiso
Gavin White	Human Resource Management	1 <sup>st</sup>	Valparaiso
Chaz Steeves	Human Resource Management	4 <sup>th</sup>	Washington
Brian Smrekar	Marketing Management	5 <sup>th</sup>	Washington
Amanie Foster	Quick Serve Restaurant Management	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Portage
Joey Matlon	Quick Serve Restaurant Management	6 <sup>th</sup>	Hebron
Cameron Tripp	Restaurant & Food Service Management	5 <sup>th</sup>	Washington
Anand Balar	Restaurant & Food Service Management	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Valparaiso
Katelyn Stocker	Retail Merchandising	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Valparaiso
Jessica Lawton	Retail Merchandising	7 <sup>th</sup>	Boone Grove
Michael Hegedus and Garrett Short	Financial Services Team	5 <sup>th</sup>	Washington

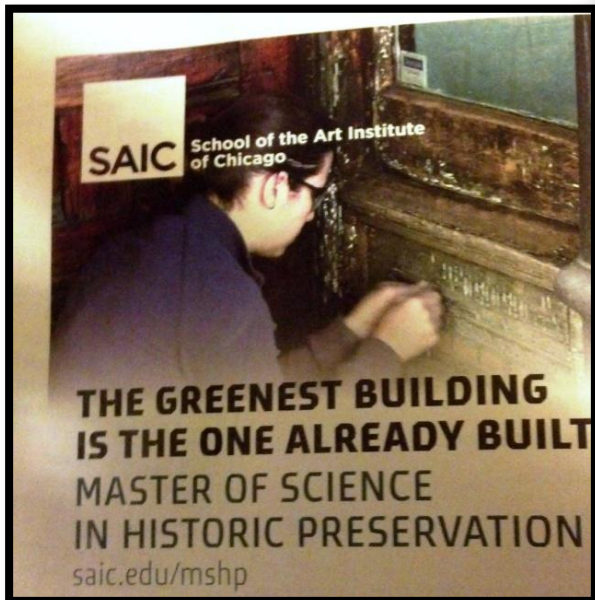
Porter County Career and Tech Center also won the 2<sup>nd</sup> place sweepstakes award. Our 38 competitors were competed against schools with up to 150 students.

You can tell more about a person by what he says about others than you can by what others say about him.  
~ **Leo Aikman**

Give thanks for what you are now, and keep fighting for what you want to be tomorrow.  
~ **Fernanda Miramontes-Landeros**

## Depot Project Moves Forward

The Grand Trunk Depot Project would enhance student construction skills focusing on historic preservation. If the Depot Project is successful, it is envisioned that our Building Trades students will do the restoration work to return the exterior of the Depot to as close as



possible to its historical original condition. Our Electronic students will install internet and audiovisual capabilities, giving those students a real life application for their skills. We will remodel the interior into a 21<sup>st</sup> Century modern day learning facility. Hopefully, we will also incorporate alternative technology, such as passive solar heating and pervious paving into the project if possible. Ideas for help raising the money for this project are welcome.

## Weather Related Cancellation and/or Delay Information



The Porter County Career and Tech Center and SELF School follow the cancellation/delay decisions of the Valparaiso Community Schools. All other CTE sites follow the closing decisions of the hosting school.

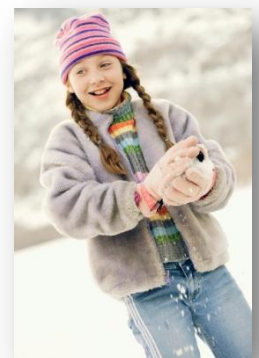
All commuting students should drive carefully and use common sense and their parent's input when deciding if it is safe to drive to their CTE

location.

In the event of severe or inclement weather, school may be delayed or canceled.

Please use the following sources to track any weather related delays or cancellations:

- VCS Alert (The registration procedure is available on the Valparaiso Community Schools homepage <http://www.valpo.k12.in.us> ). Go to "School Closing Information" on the left side of the screen. You can register your cell phone to receive a message through this process.
- WLJE Radio 105.5 FM
- WAKE Radio 1500 AM
- [www.cancellations.com](http://www.cancellations.com)



## OPEN HOUSE SCHEDULE

### VALPARAISO PROGRAMS

*Porter County Career & Technical Center  
1005 N. Franklin St., Valparaiso 46383*

**Jan. 24, 8-9 a.m. • Feb. 6, 8-9 a.m. and 6:30-7:30 p.m.**

Auto Services Technology  
CAD & Animation  
Construction Technology  
Electronics & Computer Technology  
Health Careers (HSE I)  
Health Occ. (HSE II)  
Precision Machining  
Strategic Marketing Internship  
Entrepreneurship/ Sports & Entertainment Mktg.  
Video Production & Media Studies

**NEW PROGRAM:**

Aviation Operations



### PORTAGE PROGRAMS

**Jan. 24, 8-9 a.m. • Feb. 6, 8-9 a.m. and 6:30-7:30 p.m.**

Auto Services Tech. Willowcreek M.S.  
Rear Entrance  
Construction Techn. Willowcreek M.S.  
Rear Entrance  
Dental Careers PHS - East Door C, Rm. 155  
Industrial Mech. PHS - East Door C, Rm. 110  
Health Science PHS - East Door C, Rm. 156  
Education I w/Anatomy  
Graphic Imaging Tech. PHS-West Door F, Rm. B14

**Jan. 24, 1-2 p.m. • Feb. 6, 1-2 p.m. and 6:30-7:30 p.m.**

Diesel Service Tech. Green Building N.E. of PHS-E  
Early Childhood Education South Haven Elem.  
Rm. 25  
Work Study GOE Lab near Media Center

### BOONE GROVE HIGH SCHOOL

*260 S. 500 West, Valparaiso, IN 46385*

**Jan. 24, 8-9 a.m. • Feb. 6, 8-9 a.m. and 6:30-7:30 p.m.**

Culinary Arts & Hospitality Management

### IVY TECH COMMUNITY COLLEGE

*3100 IVY Tech Drive, Valparaiso 46383*

**Jan. 24, 8-9 a.m. • Feb. 6, 8-9 a.m. and 6:30-7:30 p.m.**

Welding Technology Main Entrance

### DON ROBERTS BEAUTY SCHOOL

*1354 W. Lincolnway, Valparaiso 46385*

Cosmetology **Feb. 23, 1:30-3 p.m.**

### SELF SCHOOL

*750 Ransom Road, Valparaiso 46385*

**Jan. 24, 8-9 a.m. • Feb. 6, 8-9 a.m. and 6:30-7:30 p.m.**

Early Childhood Education Rm B 8

### MORGAN TWP. HIGH SCHOOL

*299 South State Road 49, Valparaiso 46383*

*(In Agriculture Building)*

**Jan. 24, 1-2 p.m. • Feb. 6, 1-2 p.m. and 6:30-7:30 p.m.**

Horticultural Science

### WHEELER HIGH SCHOOL

*587 West 300 North, Valparaiso 46385*

**Jan. 24, 8-9 a.m. • Feb. 6, 8-9 a.m. and 6:30-7:30 p.m.**

Criminal Investigations Entrance E

Criminal Justice System Entrance E

### HOBART HIGH SCHOOL

*2211 East 10<sup>th</sup> Street, Hobart 46342*

**Jan. 24, 8-9 a.m. • Feb. 6, 8-9 a.m. and 6:30-7:30 p.m.**

Cisco Networking Fundamentals Front Entrance

Early Childhood Education Front Entrance

Emergency Medical Services Front Entrance

Fundamentals of Sports Medicine Front Entrance

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Strategic Marketing Field Experience Front Entrance

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## Alternative Energy Dividends

When the sun came up on January 7, the Porter County Career and Tech Center began generating electricity with our rooftop solar array that we are now selling back to Nipsco. The project was a joint effort of our Modern Machining and Electronics programs. Funding came from Valparaiso Redevelopment Commission funds and private donors. Thanks also to our District Advisory Council which supported this project.

Although, we buy electricity for around .10 kWh, we have a 15 year agreement in place with Nipsco purchasing this power back, at the prices shown below:



Year*	Price for Qualifying Electricity
1	\$.30 per kWh
2	\$.31 per kWh
3	\$.31 per kWh
4	\$.32 per kWh
5	\$.32 per kWh
6	\$.33 per kWh
7	\$.34 per kWh
8	\$.34 per kWh
9	\$.35 per kWh
10	\$.36 per kWh
11	\$.37 per kWh
12	\$.37 per kWh
13	\$.38 per kWh
14	\$.39 per kWh
15	\$.40 per kWh

## Urschel Plans to Donate an Industrial Robot to our Modern Machining Program

Our students will learn how to program this robot to perform industrial operations such as lifting, sorting, and inspecting parts. Many thanks to Urschel Laboratories for thinking of us.

**Fanuc M16i Robot**



# Help 9-1-1 protect you and your family

Smart911 is a free national service provided to you by your local 9-1-1 agency. Create a Safety Profile for your household that includes the vital personal and medical information you would want response teams to have in the event of an emergency. Then if you dial 9-1-1, your profile is immediately available allowing call takers and first responders to assist you faster and more effectively.

Smart911 is a free service brought to you by  
**Porter County Central Communications 9-1-1**

It is 100% Private and Secure.

**It could save your life, or the life of someone you love.**



[Facebook.com/Smart911](https://www.facebook.com/Smart911)

[Twitter.com/smart911](https://www.twitter.com/smart911)



*"You never know how strong you really are until being strong is the only choice you have."*

*"I was seldom able to see an opportunity until it had ceased to be one."*

*~ Mark Twain*

## Calendar

- Jan. 25, Notre Dame Hockey Trip, PCCTC Student Tickets \$5
- Feb. 11-14, Valentine Gram Week, Fundraiser for Charity to be selected
- April 11, County Advisory Committee Meeting, 3:30, Career Center

## Our Newsletter

*Porter County Career and Technical Education News* is a newsletter for promoting the high achievement of our staff and students. Written contributions to the newsletter are always welcome. Most articles should be written in 100 words or less. Please fax (531-3173), call (531-3170), or email (jgroth@valpo.k12.in.us) with news to be published about you and your students.

It is the policy of the Porter County Career and Technical Education Program to comply with all state and federal regulations prohibiting discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age or disability in enrollment procedures or access to programs.

[www.pccte.org](http://www.pccte.org)

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