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

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Outstanding Students of the 2nd Grading Period Morning Session Students



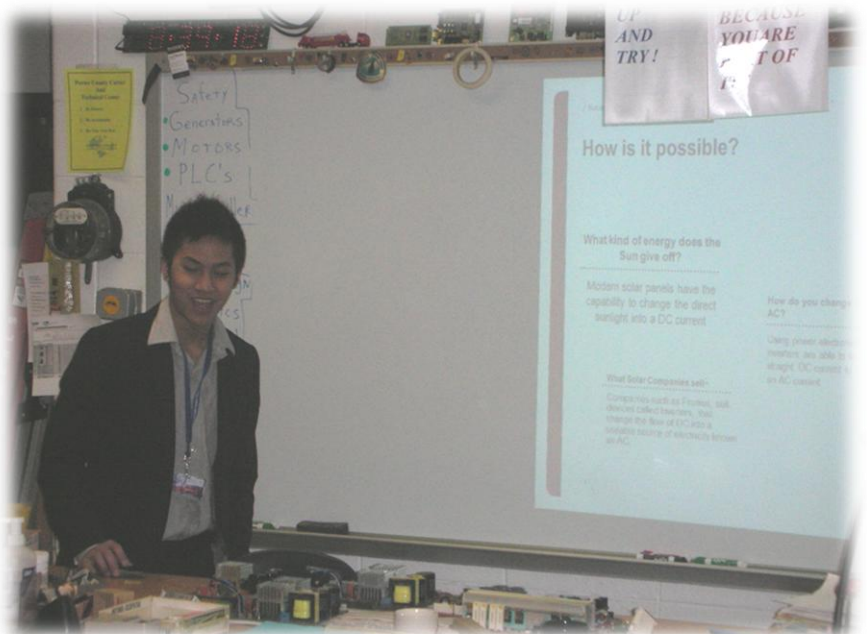
The Career Center faculty and staff work hard to catch students doing the “right” thing and rewarding them for their efforts. Pictured are students selected by their instructors as the Outstanding Students of the 2nd Grading Period. Congratulations to all of them.

“To laugh often and much; To win the respect of intelligent people and the affection of children; To earn the appreciation of honest critics and endure the betrayal of false friends; To appreciate beauty, to find the best in others; To leave the world a bit better, whether by a healthy child, a garden patch, or a redeemed social condition; To know even one life has breathed easier because you have lived. This is to have succeeded.” Ralph Waldo Emerson

Afternoon Student Stars



Paul Bui (VHS, 2013 grad, pictured at right) came back as a representative of the Fronius Corporation to teach a class for us on solar panel inverters to our Electronics students.





Stuffed Green Peppers being prepared by our culinary students for a Meals-on-Wheels delivery. (photo provided by Mr. Buford)

Pictured (at right) is Machine Trades student Josh Lewis from Wheeler, he worked really hard using sophisticated machinery made this project for a special family friend.



Teachers, Gannon and Truelove Tour Toyota Plant

Toyota has found that they are facing a retiring workforce. They have set up a program with Vincennes where students get accepted to a program and work at the plant 2 days per week, while going to school the other 3 days.

Toyota also hires with 2 year degrees. Personnel at the plant said that the hiring process has been expedited. Once in, most workers make \$60-100k+ with great

benefits including on-site child care (where the child learns 3 languages by the age of 5), a pension, a 401K, and on-site pharmacy.

Toyota provides a great employment opportunity requiring less than a 4 year degree.....but students need to know they will not walk in off the street with just their high school diploma and get hired. Toyota is requiring specific skill sets for their workforce.

The tour of the plant was amazing. The factory was incredibly clean and the workers were happy with very little turnover. Every Highlander in the United States is now made at this plant.

(article contributed by Mr. Scott Truelove)

Media Productions Students Compete at State Level

Pictured at right is just one of the awards brought back from the Indiana Student Broadcasters Conference by instructor, Mr. Phelps and his students. While at the conference, Mr. Phelps took his students on a visit to an Indianapolis television station.



Graphic Imaging Technology Students Make Portage

Police Stand Out on the Road





Graphic Imagin Technology students under the direction of instructor, Mr. Fischer, learn to print decals and precision mount them on Portage police cars. This Portage High School CTE program sets a great example of our schools supporting other municipal agencies.

Show Future Employers Your Enthusiasm:

- Enthusiasm will take you further than title, talent, or skill. – Robin Crow
- Enthusiasm is at the bottom of all progress. With it there is accomplishment. Without it there are only excuses. – Henry Ford
- If you're *not* fired with enthusiasm, you *will be* fired with enthusiasm. – Vince Lombardi



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:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ VCS Alert (The registration procedure is available on the Valparaiso Community Schools homepage http://www.valpo.k12.in.us/site/Default.aspx?PageID=9 Go to "School Closing Information" on the left side of the screen. You can also register your cell phone to receive a message through this process. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ WLJE Radio 105.5 FM ➤ WAKE Radio 1500 AM ➤ www.cancellations.com |
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Calendar

- March 18, Due Date for Tech Honors Nominations
- April 5, Saturday Snow Make-up Day at the Career and Tech Center
- April 10, Spring Advisory Board Meeting, 3:30, Porter County Career and Tech Center
- April 25, Josh Bleill, speaking at Career and Tech Center, 830 am
- May 6, Technical Honors Induction, Wheeler HS Auditorium, 7 pm
- May 9, Final Blood Drive of the Year
- May 23, Student Reward Trip to Railcat Game

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.

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