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

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"18 on Franklin" Grand Opening

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Our Entrepreneurship class hosted a Grand Opening of our new student store on November 26. Parents, grandparents, friends, and former students all joined us for the festive evening. Pictured at left is Dr. Stacey Schmidt, Superintendent of Porter Twp Schools, who attended as the guest of two Boone Grove students,



Pictured at right is Sean Burke (Auto Tech, Wheeler), Spencer Finney (Health Occ, Kouts), and Cody Penfold (Machine Trades, Hebron). These three students presented to the Leadership Northwest Indiana group on December 13. The audience was very interested in hearing from each of the students.

Baker College Recruiting our Students

Baker College in Owosso, Michigan sent a luxury bus to transport our students to see their facilities. The students and staff enjoyed the trip. Baker is the largest independent college in Michigan with 12 different campus locations. The Baker College mission is to prepare students for meaningful employment. Baker does not charge out of state tuition.



Auto Tech students on field trip to visit Baker College.





Culinary Students Continue Community Service Work

Students helping prepare food for Meals on Wheels left to right are Jon Ramirez (Hobart), Bryanne Goldie (Wheeler) & Gabrielle Shirey (Kouts).

Two Students Recognized by Local Kiwanis Club

Mitch Paxton (VHS, Video Productions) and Genna Tolari, (Wheeler, Health Careers, not pictured) were

recognized by the Valparaiso Noon Kiwanis Club as outstanding Career and Tech Center students at a recent meeting. Both students received certificates from Club President, John Hunter (also Union Twp School Superintendent) thanking them for their attendance and announcing a donation to the Kiwanis Foundation on their behalf.



Mitch Paxton



**Community Service Project -
PHS Health Science classes adopted a family for the holidays!**



Mrs. Wilson's students are seen wrapping gifts for a needy family as a Christmastime community service project. Today's students care about their community and are sincerely compassionate toward others.



First Source Bank Selects PCCTC for \$15k Donation

The Porter County Career and Tech Center was selected as the major recipient of the First Source Bank 150 Years celebration. December 19, we received a check for \$15,000 at a press conference in South Bend. The funds will be used to help us fund student field trips and our student incentive programs.



Left to right are: Jim Seitz of 1st Source Bank; Jon Groth, Porter County Career and Tech Center; Chris Murphy, CEO First Source Bank; Tony Avalos of the Porter County Career and Tech Center; and Bob Ax, President of 1st Source Bank, Valparaiso.



PCCTC Students and Staff Celebrating the First Source Bank Donation.



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/site/Default.aspx?PageID=98> 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.
- WLJE Radio 105.5 FM
- WAKE Radio 1500 AM
- www.cancellations.com



Calendar

- Career Pathways Conference, January 8, 3-630, Harre Union
- Apprenticeship Fair at Career Center, 730-215, January 21
- Notre Dame Hockey game, Student Reward Trip, Friday, January 24, 2014
- January 30, Motivational Speaker, noon at Career Center.
- Chicago Auto Show, Student Reward Trip, Thursday, February 13, 2014
- April 10, Spring Advisory Board Meeting, 3:30, Porter County Career and Tech 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.

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