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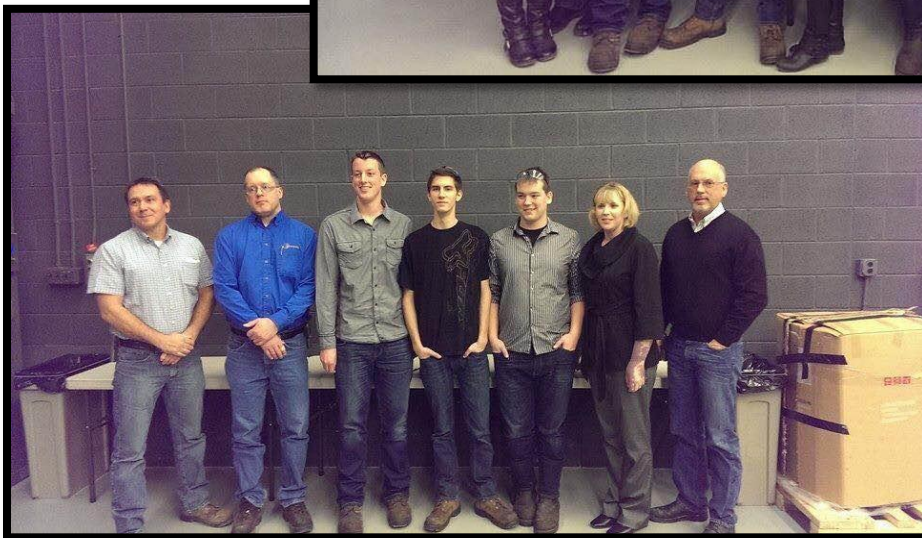
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Urschel Next Gen Scholarship Recipients

Urschel Laboratories announced the selection of three students for full-time employment plus a 2 ½ year full ride scholarship to Vincennes University. The selected students from Mr. Carmack's Modern Machining class can be seen below with their parents (L-R) Josh Wittmer, Michael Elston, and Tommy Akins.



At left are our students along with Urschel staff.

"If Kids don't think you care, then they don't care what you think."

**Karlee Guerrero, Health Occupations, Wheeler HS Senior Recognized
as a
2015 Indiana Award for Excellence Winner!**



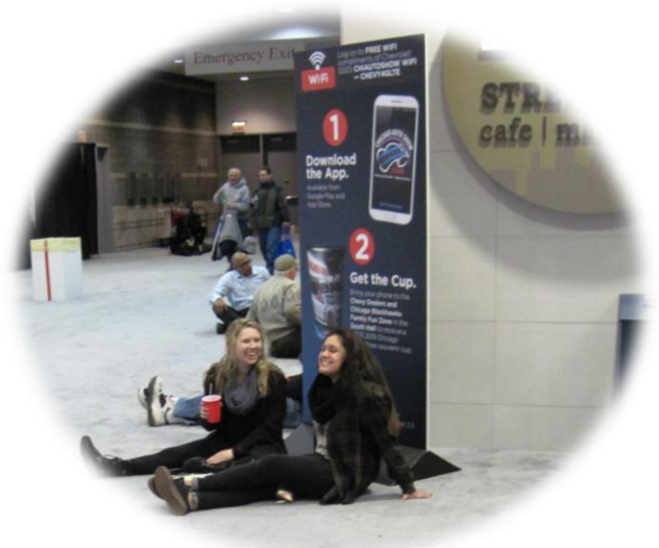
Karlee is pictured (with Health Occupations instructor, Mrs Edwards and CTE Director, Mr. Groth) on stage after receiving her Indiana Award for Excellence at the Indiana Government Center Auditorium in Indianapolis. Karlee was recognized for her academic excellence, career plan, and community/school involvement. She was selected out of over 160,000 eligible students.



Second year Portage High School CTE Auto Technology students (pictured above) attended the Chicago Auto Show on Tuesday, February 17th. They spent the day looking at the new models offered by various manufacturers and learning of new technologies being introduced. A BIG Thank you goes out to Harbor Buick GMC for providing the tickets again. In the picture, students are discussing the new Acura NSX super car with a representative. It was a wonderful experience for the students!

Following pictures are assorted Career and Tech Center students enjoying a trip to the Chicago Auto Show.





**“Do what you can, with what you have, where you are.”
Theodore Roosevelt**

Porter County Career and Tech programs is proud of our most recent state data for school reporting standards. Our District ranks 2nd in the state on overall state performance:

Program Completion Rate: **100%**

Placement in work, college, or both: **94.6%**

Technical Skill attainment: **96.3%**

H.S. Graduation: **97.5%** (compared to the statewide graduation rate of 86.4%)

In addition, program participants earned **4431** college credits last year

“Success is how high you bounce when you hit bottom.”

-- General George S. Patton, U.S. Army, WWII



IU Northwest Visit

IUN hosted a Health Professions Day a few weeks ago. CTE Health Science Students toured the Health Science Departments which had hands on activities at each department. A campus tour, meeting with admissions, and lunch was provided by IUN.

“Cash for College” Campaign Kick Off

Ms. Melton and Ms. Iddings are spreading the word in helping students understand what it takes to pay for college. South Haven Elementary students learn the correlation between having good grades and college financial aid, while students enrolled in Portage High



School’s Education & Early Childhood CTE program learn about how to complete college with minimal debt by finding scholarships and filing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Students pictured along with Mrs. Iddings are Emily Magyar, Lucas Yon, and Caitlin Jump.

Dental Careers Students Attend Chicago Dental Convention

Mrs. Doane's dental students recently attended the Chicago Dental Convention at McCormick Place. Students were exposed to the latest advancements in dental products and technology. More than 30,000 people were in attendance at this year's 150th anniversary of the convention. Pictured at right are Aubrey Draves (Washington Township), Ruby Ortiz (Valpo), Anna Kurtz (Valpo), Kristen Cornwell (Valpo).

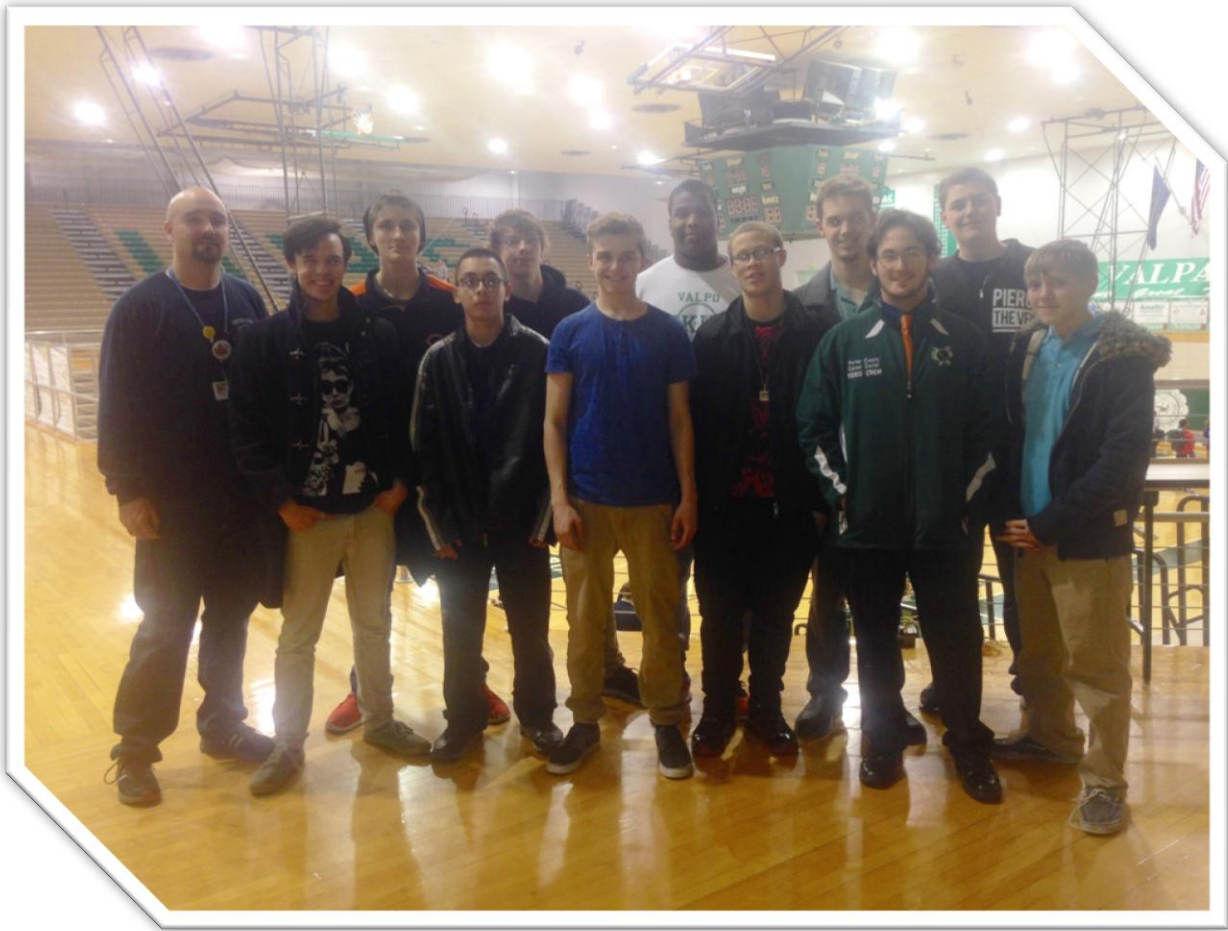


Pictured at left are Marilyn Torres (Portage), Haley McCleary (Portage), Will Smith (Portage), Shamari Lewis (Portage).

“Life’s challenges are not supposed to paralyze you, they’re supposed to help you discover who you are.”

- Bernice Johnson Reagon

Check out our Television Productions class after broadcasting a Valparaiso HS basketball game.



If you will turn 18 by May 5, please remember you must register to vote, one month prior to the May 5 election. Voter registration can be done online.

*Attention Male Students: all men must register with the selective service when they turn 18 or they can be denied financial aid for college! Learn more @ bit.ly/SelServSys

Are You Getting Ready for What You Will Do After High School?

Trip To College Alerts will send you 3-4 age-specific text messages each month. These tips will help you plan for your education after high school.

Go to: <http://www.triptocollege.org/default.aspx#o>

To register, please complete the form at the link above with your mobile phone number and zip code as well as selecting your high school graduation year. Students must be 13 years or older to participate. Standard text messaging rates apply. All students should ask their parent's permission before registering.

Smile, ...let everyone think that you are stronger than you were yesterday!



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, 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/Page/1> Go to "School Closing Information" on the left side of the screen. Click and then you can register your phone with the School Messenger Information link.
- WLJE Radio 105.5 FM
- WAKE Radio 1500 AM
- www.cancellations.com



Calendar

- Career and Tech Center Spring Break, March 23-27
- District Advisory Committee Meeting, 3:30 pm, April 23, 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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