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Career and Technical Education

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

"Working Together for Every Student, Every Day"



**VCS Superintendent, Dr. Julie Lauck
Visits Career Center**



Dr. Lauck can be seen in the gray suit in the center of both photos. At left, she is in the "Hair Depot" with our Building Trades students and Mrs. Biernat.



Below, she is with Mr. Phelps and our Video Productions class.



Life is 10% what happens to you
and 90% how you react to it.



Pictured is our Diesel instructor, Mr. John Fashing with his latest new diesel truck. This was a donation from Vincennes University and the VU Early College program to assure that our students are learning state-of-the-art skills in preparation for further study and employment.

“Too often we enjoy the comfort of opinion without the discomfort of thought.”
- John F. Kennedy

**Dual Credits Earned by Porter
 County Career and Tech Students,
 2017-18**

Boone Grove	304.5
Chesterton	597.5
Hebron	221.5
Hobart	452.0
Kouts	338.5
Morgan	255.0
Portage	1118.0
Valparaiso	738.0
Washington	248.5
Wheeler	127.5
Total	4062.5

Ivy Tech 2018-19 tuition is \$137.85/credit. The credits above conservatively represent a savings of over \$560,000 to our students and their families.



The MAAC center celebrated the first cohort of our new Fire and Rescue program on September 5, with a press conference and an open house, with many community leaders in attendance. Instructors Mr. Schulte and Ms. Janovitz proudly presenting their program and



students. Parents were given a tour by their students. Mayor Costas, Senator Charbonneau, and Rep Soliday were among the many elected officials on hand. AT&T made a \$10,000 donation to the

program and a scholarship fund was also established. Our first cohort is 16 students representing nine different high schools, all are committed to public service. Chief Steward McMillan and all the Fire Chiefs present assisted the students in proclaiming their oath to the firefighting academy.

"Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world."
-Nelson Mandela

"The greatest thing we can do for someone is to let them know they are loved and capable of loving."
According to Mr. Fred Rogers, who was an champion for individuals of all abilities.

2018-19 Class of Cosmetology

"Work hard. Dream big. Be fearless. Refuse to be ordinary."

*"I see possibilities in everything."
- Michael J. Fox*



Pictured at the upper left is instructor, Mrs. Fitts with the first student cohort of the Hair Depot Cosmetology School.

Visit "Porter County Career Network" on Facebook for job search and resume tips, plus area job openings, and more career advice from Mr. Zimmerman. URL: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/portercountycareernetwork/>

Also "like" our FB page: Porter County Career and Tech Center.



Health Occupations and Health Careers students did not complain about getting up early on a Saturday and volunteering at the Popcorn Panic. These fine students staffed the water stop during the five mile race. Pictured are the students along with their teachers (foreground), Mrs. Marcus and Mrs Phelps.

Please Do Not Text and Drive!

This is our CTE District Initiative – No Texting While Driving

Texting behind the wheel is killing people. Youthful drivers are especially at risk. One in ten teen drivers involved in a fatal crash were distracted, and a quarter of teens send a text every time they drive. Texting while driving is dumb and illegal, but even worse would be explaining how you lost a friend because of your unnecessary texting. *Please sign our No Texting While Driving Pledge located in our Career Center Commons Area.*

- ✓ Put your phone away while driving (purse or glove compartment)
- ✓ Designate a passenger to do the texting for you
- ✓ Pull over to answer the phone or to type or read a text
- ✓ Don't be the next Distracted Driving victim!

Next Level Jobs Debut

Starting in the fall of 2018, **ALL** Hoosiers with a high school diploma may be eligible to earn a tuition-free certificate in Indiana's highest-demand job sectors through Governor Holcomb's Next Level Jobs initiative! Eligible job sectors include Advanced Manufacturing; Building & Construction; Health & Life Sciences; IT & Business Services; and Transportation & Logistics (see attached for a full list of certificate options). This is a great opportunity for CTE students who have earned some dual credit while in high school but have not yet been awarded a certificate from a two-year college.

To be considered, students simply need to file a FAFSA. Even students who missed the April 15th FAFSA deadline are eligible! To get connected with an eligible program, students should visit NextLevelJobs.org and click on "I'm a Next Level Job Seeker." After completing a short questionnaire, Ivy Tech Community College or Vincennes University will reach out to the student to help them enroll.

The Commission will be hosting a webinar with more information about the Workforce Ready Grant on Wednesday, May 9th at 9:30 AM EDT. [Please sign up here!](#) If you have any questions, please visit NextLevelJobs.org or email NextLevelJobs@che.in.gov

Sincerely, Indiana Commission for Higher Education

Calendar:

September 13, 6 pm, Career Center Back-to-School Night for present students and their families.
October 11, 330-430, District Advisory Committee Meeting at the Career and Tech Center,
1005 N. Franklin Street, Valparaiso

**Porter County Career and Tech program is proud of our most recent state data (2016-017 School Year).
Our District was one of the only three districts to exceed all required core standards:**

Program Completion Rate: 99.7%

Placement in work, college, or both: 96%

Technical Skill attainment: 89%

H.S. Graduation: 95% (compared to the statewide graduation rate of 87%)

In addition, students earned 4,457 free college credits last year

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: www.triptocollege.org

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.

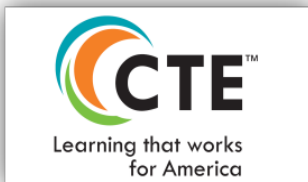
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Our Newsletter

Porter County Career and Technical Education News is a newsletter for promoting the high achievement of our students and staff. 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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