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

"Working Together for Every Student, Every Day"

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First Place for Media Productions Class

Our Video and Media Productions program, taught by Mr. Bob Phelps, returned from the Indiana Association of School Broadcasters state competition this week with the prestigious Best Program Award. They collected 5 first place awards, three 2nd place awards, and a 3rd place award.

First place winners were:

Ian Fortney - Sound Design, Valparaiso

Jacob Knoblock - TV Copywriting, Valparaiso

Megan Gulotta - Video Magazine, Boone Grove

Kennedy Starcevich - Television Package, Boone Grove

KT Skillbeck - TV Spot Production, Portage
2nd place winners:

Kennedy Starcevich - Sound Design, BG

Bryce Johnston - TV Copywriting, Valparaiso

Ian Fortney - Video In-Depth, Valparaiso



3rd Place – Stephanie Montreuil, Music Video, Boone Grove

Many of these awards required work and participation by all members of the class.

"Coming together is a Beginning; Keeping together is Progress; Working together is Success!" Henry Ford





Mr. Phelps' class is pictured on stage for the photo-op after being named the Best Program in the state of Indiana by the Indiana Association of School Broadcasters.

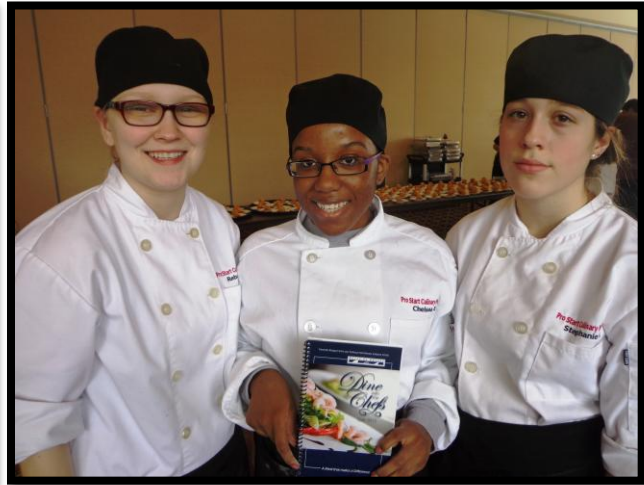
"If you Believe it, you can Achieve it"



Pictured are students from the Marketing Internship and Health Careers being trained in CPR. Over 35 students were certified in CPR for adults and infants from Mrs. Gaulin and Mrs. Marcus' classes. Students also learned how to properly use an AED.



Culinary Institute of America Food Demonstration for Culinary Program is shown above.



(L-R above, Rebecca Wright, Chelsea Kelley, and Stephanie Laramie.)

Mrs. Harbaugh's students can be seen helping the regional Chef's Association prepare for the "Dine with the Chefs" Gala. The event raised over \$20,000 for the Meals on Wheels program.

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

Graphic Imaging Technology at PHS



Pictured: IKORCC Representative, Eric Yuhasz; Blake LaBorde (PHS); Javier Martinez (PHS); Erik Brebner (Hebron HS); Niko Ortiz (PHS); Emily Hefty (PHS); Jacob Vargas (Valpo HS)

Portage High School's Career and Technical Education-Graphic Imaging Technology (GIT) class proudly displays recently produced "Kids Caring for the Community" participant signs. This is a collaborative effort between PHS and the Indiana/Kentucky/Ohio Regional Council of Carpenters (IKORCC) that allows Mr. Fischer's GIT students to gain valuable hands-on experience producing signs and banners for this program.

About Kids Caring for the Community: All public elementary schools in Lake, LaPorte and Porter County can participate. By

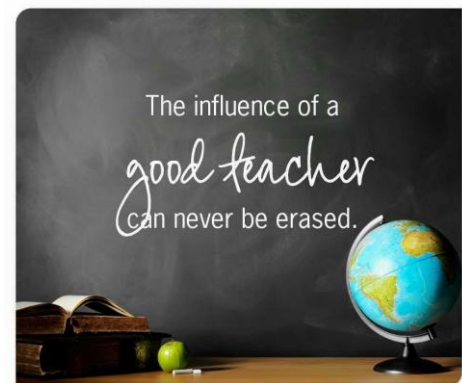
participating in a variety of community service projects, schools are entered into a drawing to win \$750 for their school. There will be two winners from Porter County, LaPorte, and Lake County after each 2-month session. Schools that participate all year will be put in an additional drawing for \$1,000. For more information, please contact Eric Yuhasz at the Carpenters Local 1005 & 599 at eyuhasz@ikorcc.com <<mailto:eyuhasz@ikorcc.com>>



PHS student Jacob White uses a cutting torch to cut a piece of metal for practicing shielded metal arc welding.

The Porter County Career and Technical Education Industrial Mechanics program is taught by Mr. Moodie. Students in the program are beginning the welding portion of the class. The welding section provides basic skills and fundamental knowledge in oxy-fuel welding, cutting and brazing, Shielded Metal Arc welding, Gas Metal Arc welding, and Gas Tungsten Arc welding are also included in the curriculum.

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



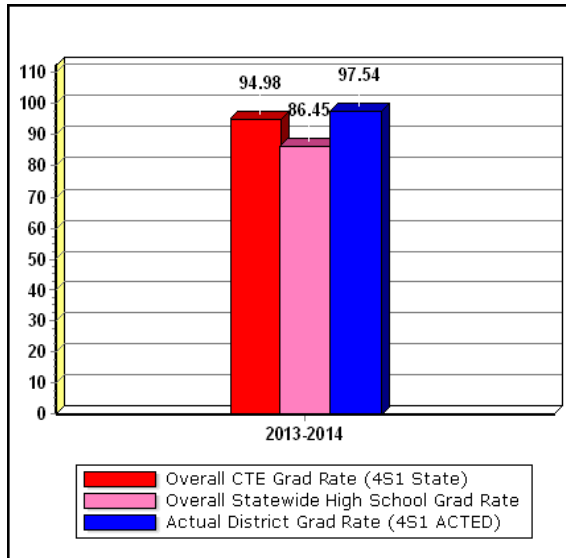


Rachel Diaz Recognized by County Sheriff Department

Mr. Phelps' Video Production student Rachel Diaz (Portage HS), was presented with the very first 'Students Matter Award' by the Substance Abuse Council and the Drunk Driving Task Force on Thursday March 12 at the Porter County Sheriffs Dept. Rachel was selected based on her exemplary work writing a script to warn teens and adults about distracted driving.

IMPORTANT: 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.

Graduation Rates - CTE Students vs. All Graduates



The blue bar indicates our District's graduation rate for CTE students compared to the state graduation rate (pink) and the state graduation rate for CTE students (red).

***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/SeIServSys

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.

Calendar

- Hobart HS Spring Break, March 30-April 3
- District Advisory Committee Meeting, 3:30 pm, April 16, Porter County Career and Tech Center
- 4 A's Car Show benefiting our Scholarship Program and Habitat for Humanity at Sunset Hill Farm, June 7, 9 am – 3 pm

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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