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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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Graphic Imaging Class at Portage

Students enrolled in Mr. Fischer's Graphic Imaging Technology class at Portage High School gain valuable printing experience. Throughout the year, they design and print various projects for Portage Township Schools such as signs, banners, decals, posters, books, pamphlets, t-shirts, and other apparel.



Pictured (at right above) are Graphic Imaging students, Javier Martinez (Portage High School), Jacob Vargas (Valparaiso High School), and Erik Brebner (Hebron High School) printing shirts for Mrs. Doane's Dental Careers class. Happily wearing their new "peace, love, dental" shirts are Dental Careers students Kassidy Cherry, Shellina Letson, Jaylene Perez, and Katie Bodnar (all Portage High School).

Porter County Career and Tech programs is proud of our most recent state data for the following performance standards:

Program Completion Rate: **100%**
Placement in work, college, or both: **100%**
Technical Skill attainment: **96.5%**
H.S. Graduation: **96%**

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



Karlee Guerrero (Wheeler) and Tommy Akins (Morgan Twp) were recognized at a recent Valparaiso Kiwanis Club meeting as Outstanding Career Education Students. They are pictured with Morgan Twp principal Chris George (left) and Career Center principal Jon Groth (right). Karlee is enrolled in Health Occupations and plans to attend Indiana University, Bloomington to study nursing, and Cody plans to continue working at Urschel Laboratory and attend Vincennes University. Both students were recognized as outstanding students in their technical and academic classes.





Three Career Center Students Participate in LNI Panel Discussion

The Leadership Northwest Indiana (LNI) program invited three of our students to participate in a panel discussion about what is right and wrong about school today. The selected students who participated were, from the right, Cody Hootman (Mach Trades, CHS senior), Belle Rochon (Health Occ., CHS senior), and Abbey Thomas (Video Productions, VHS junior). They spoke to a group of 40 regional professionals and community leaders.

"There can be no greater gift than that of giving one's time and energy to help others without expecting anything in return."

Nelson Mandela



Clinton Welton (VHS) and Brad Kaminsky (Boone Grove), both Auto II students enjoyed putting together this playful holiday snowman project, complete with a re-purposed windshield wiper unit that allowed our snowpersion to auto-mechanically wave at passing motorists.

FOLLOW YOUR DREAMS.
Or you'll spend the rest of your life working for someone who did

Surround yourself with the dreamers and the doers, the believers and thinkers, but most of all, surround yourself with those who see greatness within you even when you don't see it yourself.

"Have a great day and make good choices!"



Electronic students Brian Wall, Josh Leverich, and Zach Harris (all VHS) are shown above getting into the holiday spirit with a programmable LED light display on our Christmas tree.

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/site/Default.aspx?PageID=98> Go to "School Closing Information" on the left side of the screen. You can register your cell phone to receive a message through this process.
- WLJE Radio 105.5 FM
- WAKE Radio 1500 AM
- www.cancellations.com



Indiana Lifeline Law

A Reminder to Young Hoosiers: Make the Call. Get Help. Save a Life.

The Lifeline Law provides immunity for the crimes of public intoxication, minor in possession, minor in consumption, and similar laws, to persons who identify themselves to law enforcement while seeking medical assistance for a person suffering from any medical situation or emergency, including alcohol or drug-related issues.

- The Lifeline Law provides immunity from criminal prosecution for public intoxication, or for a minor possessing, consuming or transporting alcohol, to a person who requested emergency medical assistance for an individual

who reasonably appeared in need of medical assistance due to alcohol consumption. It also provides immunity for a person who acted in concert with another person who requested emergency medical assistance.

- To receive immunity, the reporting individual must demonstrate that they are acting in good faith by completing ALL of the following:
- Provide their full name and any other relevant information requested by the law enforcement officers
- Remain at the scene with the victim until emergency medical assistance arrives
- Must cooperate with emergency medical assistance personnel and law enforcement officers at the scene

The Indiana Lifeline law will not interfere with law enforcement procedures or limit the ability to prosecute for other criminal offenses such as providing alcohol to minors, operating vehicles while intoxicated, or the possession of a controlled substance.

The law already gives immunity to callers under 21 years old who are looking for help for someone who has had too much to drink. Senate Bill 227- which took effect July 1, 2014 – extends the law to other medical emergencies, such as when someone falls or has a concussion. It would also protect victims of a sexual assault or those who witness and report a crime from being charged with underage drinking.

Calendar

- Christmas Break, December 22 to January 2. Back to school on January 5
- CTE Open Houses, January 22, 8-9 am
- CTE Open Houses, February 5, 8-9 am, and evening Open Houses (at most locations) at 6:30 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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