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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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Students,

It has been my pleasure to get to know and to work with each of you this year on your career and technical education plan.

I wish you continued success in the future. Please connect with us on Facebook, follow us on Twitter, and keep your teacher informed as you continue the road to success throughout your life.

You have had many accomplishments so far in your life. We believe you have the potential for even greater achievement in the future. Please accept this book of quotes from your principal and staff for your future motivation and enjoyment.

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"Until you dig a hole, you plant a tree, you water it and make it survive, you haven't done a thing. You are just talking."

~ Wangari Maathai

Great spirits have always encountered violent opposition from mediocre minds.--Albert Einstein

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

"No matter how small and unimportant what we are doing may seem, if we do it well, it may soon become the step that will lead us to better things." -- C. Pollock

It's what the Stoics call, "the premeditation" — that **there's** actually a lot of peace of mind to be gained in thinking carefully and in detail and consciously about how badly things could go. In most situations you're going to discover that your anxiety or your fears about those situations were exaggerated.

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

The difference between successful people and very successful people is that very successful people say "no" to almost everything.

- Warren Buffett

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.

"The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others." — Mahatma Gandhi

Easy Way to Increase Your Happiness

The idea is that the things that you really like a lot, stop. Stop it. So, if you love, every day, having the same coffee, don't have it for a few days and, when you wait, and then you have it again, it's going to be way more amazing than all of the ones that you would have had in the meantime. Interrupting our consumption is free. It actually saves you money and gets you more happiness out of the money spent. It's like the best of all worlds, but we're completely unable to do it, because we always want to watch the thing or eat the thing right now. It's not "give it up forever." It's "give it up for short periods of time, and I promise you you're going to love it even more when you come back to it."

You will not be fired for giving an 85% effort, but if you add the extra 15%, you will rise faster, be promoted quicker, and achieve your goals sooner. Give the 15% and make a difference in your life!

- Our Rooftop solar array has produced over 21.7 Megawatt-hours of electricity since January 2013. That is the equivalent of the energy stored in over 7 million AA batteries.
- May 1, we produced 51.4 kWh of electricity in one day, enough energy to equal 17,148 AA batteries.

"Success is how high you bounce when you hit bottom."

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



Challenges are what make life interesting ~ Overcoming them is what makes it meaningful

You've got to go out on a limb sometimes because that's where the fruit is."

-- Will Rogers, American performer and humorist

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

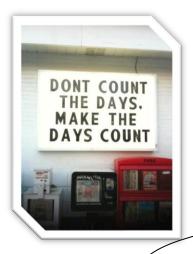
Program Completion Rate: 100%

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

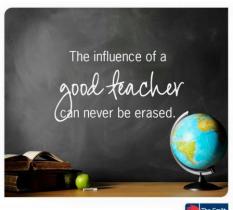


Everything in Moderation ~ Except Laughter ~ Enjoy the Moment!



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

"Do what you can, with what you have, where you are."
Theodore Roosevelt



The Smith Family

"Life's challenges are not supposed to paralyze you, they're supposed to help you discover who you are."

- Bernice Johnson Reagon

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

The only place where success comes before work is in the dictionary

~~ Donald Kendal

"The number one predictor of post-secondary success is having a mature and realistic career goal."

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





Being strong isn't always standing your ground and fighting the battles. Sometimes it takes more strength to walk away from the nonsense others create in your life. ~ by Dave Hedges

"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

The strongest oak tree of the forest is not the one that is protected from the storm and hidden from the sun. It is the one that stands in the open, where it is compelled to struggle for its existence against the winds and rains and the scorching sun.

Napoleon Hill



Have a positive attitude.

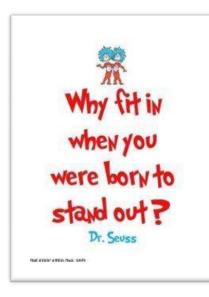
"Every strike brings me closer to the next home run...."

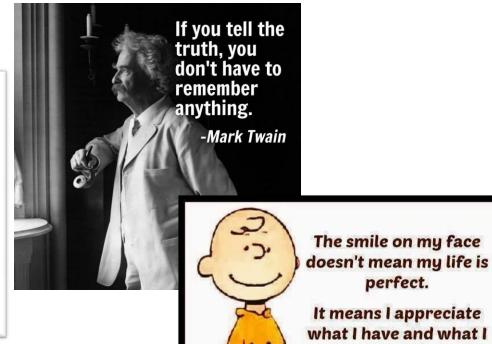
— Babe Ruth

have been blessed with.

I choose to be happy

"True strength is holding it together, when everyone else would understand, if you fell apart."





If you want to be successful, you must respect one rule:

Never lie to yourself."

-- Paulo Coelho, Brazilian novelist

Kind words are like honey - sweet to the soul and healthy for the body.

"To laugh often and much; To win the respect of intelligent people and the affection of children; To earn the appreciation of honest critics and endure the betrayal of false friends; To appreciate beauty, to find the best in others; To leave the world a bit better, whether by a healthy child, a garden patch, or a redeemed social condition; To know even one life has breathed easier because you have lived. This is to have succeeded."

- Ralph Waldo Emerson

Be kind for everyone you meet is facing a great battle.

"All that matters is the you can look in the mirror and honestly tell the person you see there, that you have done your very best."

'Amateurs sit and wait for inspiration; the rest of us just get up and go to work."

- Stephen King

"The real art of conversation is not only to say the right thing in the right place, but also to leave unsaid the wrong thing at the tempting moment."

"Have a great life and make good choices!"

Calendar

- May 28, 6 pm Cruise-In Night at the Career and Tech Center
- June 1, 6 pm Film and Animation Showcase Red Carpet Affair at Ivy Tech Valpo Campus Auditorium
- 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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