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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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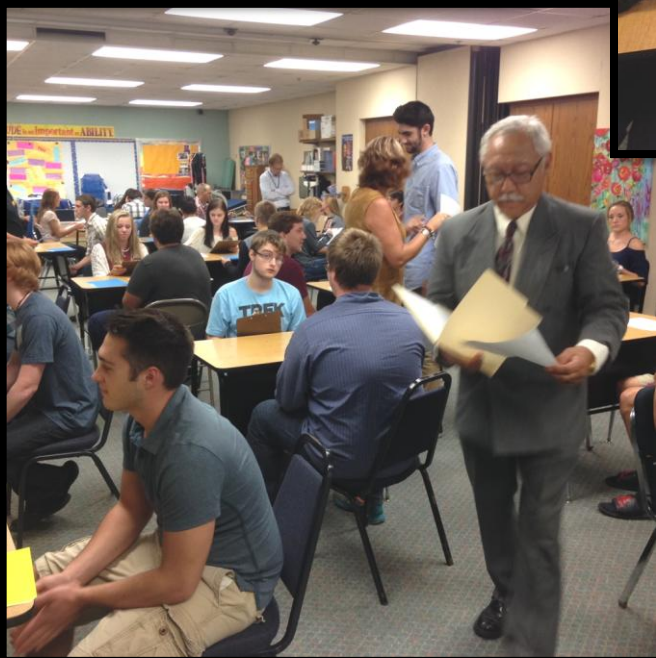
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CTE Students Learn Job Search Skills

Pictured are our Auto students practice interviewing for a job with Health Careers and Marketing students.



Our students learn technical skills and workplace skills like working together, being punctual, polite, and considerate. They also learn how to develop a resume, and how to search and apply for a job. The curriculum also includes practicing job interviewing skills.



Welcome Mark Zimmerman

Mr. Mark Zimmerman joins the Career and Tech Center as Career Advisor this school year.

Bringing extensive experience in human resource management and executive recruiting, Mark will assist students in career preparation, such as resume preparation, interviewing skills and job search strategies. Mark is a member of AmeriCorps, which is a national service organization that provides services for not-for-profit organizations, as well as a volunteer with a variety of community and professional organizations. Mark possesses an Associate of Arts in Business, Bachelor of Arts in Education and Master of Arts in Behavioral Science and resides in Valparaiso.

"All of us are miraculous beings, with unimaginable potential for learning, growing, healing and transformation across the life span."

Jon Kabat-Zinn

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.

Manufacturing Day Summit Hosted at New Urschel Lab Facility



Pictured are members of a panel who discussed local career opportunities in manufacturing. (L-R) James Keilman, HR Director at Urschels, Cole Ozbolt, former PCCTC student and present employee at Urschels, Zach Suchanuk, also former PCCTC student and now a supervisor at Task Force Tips, and Stew McMillan, President of Task Force Tips in Valparaiso. Discussion centered around a career area that might not require college but does require some specific job preparation like Mr. Carmack's Modern Machining class at the Career and Tech Center.

PCCTE Student Diploma Goals:

Academic and Technical Honors Diploma	5%
Academic Honors Diploma	29%
Technical Honors Diploma	3%
Core 40 Diploma	59%
General Diploma	4%
Certificate of Completion	0.26%

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

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

PCCTE students earned 4,224 dual credits in their CTE programs during the 2014-2015 school year from their Career and Technology programs.

Diesel Students Visit Truck City



Dylan Cannell can be seen at left viewing the engine fan

Diesel students have discovered that their skills are in very high demand in today's workforce.

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 **4,224** college credits last year

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Lifeline law message slow to get out to some university campuses: Teresa Auch Schultz, Post-Tribune

The law provides immunity for anyone under the age of 21 from prosecution of minor possession, minor consumption, minor transport and public intoxication if they call for medical help for someone else or to report a crime. To meet the criteria for the law, minors must:

- Stay at the scene until help arrives.
- Give their real names to law enforcement and other relevant information.
- Cooperate with law enforcement at the scene.
- Visit www.makegooddecisions.info to find out more about the Lifeline Law.

Indiana Economic Digest, July 29, 2014



America and Indiana Celebrated Manufacturing Day on October 2

Indianapolis - Four years ago, the first national manufacturing day was celebrated. Since then, our country sets aside a day (October 2) to recognize the contributions and economic vitality that are provided by our manufacturing sector. In Indiana, the nation's most manufacturing intensive state, we celebrate manufacturing every day.

We celebrate the fact that manufacturing is the main driver of our state's economy. In 2014, manufacturing accounted for 29.45% of our state's gross domestic product. This amounted to \$93.6 billion in manufacturing output, which is the highest percentage of any state in the country. Last year, manufacturers paid 27.4% of all wages paid in our state-- also the highest percentage in the country. Currently, 520,000 Hoosiers work in the manufacturing sector. Indiana has added the second most manufacturing jobs (+92,100) in the U.S. since July 2009. That rate of growth ranks second in the nation at +21.5%. Indiana has also grown the third most manufacturing jobs in the U.S. over the past year, adding 11,100 jobs in the manufacturing sector.

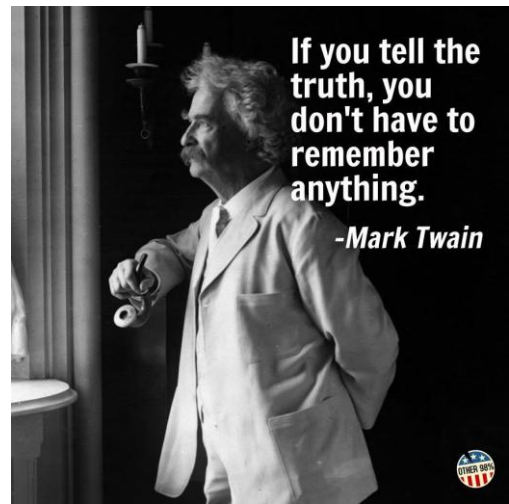
Everyone talks about the need to add high-wage, high value-added jobs to the Hoosier economy. Clearly, that is done through the expansion of our manufacturing opportunities. In the most recent wage data available (2013), average annual employee compensation amounted to \$70,333 per employee in manufacturing. This greatly outpaces the average annual compensation of \$43,709 for all non-farm businesses in Indiana.

Hoosier manufacturing is also a significant contributor to U.S. and world economies. Hoosier manufactured goods exported in 2014 amounted to \$34.93 billion. Growth in manufactured goods exported from our state increased by 56.62% from 2009 to 2014. Employment for manufacturing exports was nearly 25% of our manufacturing employment. Our top-five export markets that accounted for 61.80% include: Canada (34.38%), Mexico (14.27%), Japan (4.66%), Germany (4.61%), and China (3.87%).

Manufacturing in Indiana is diverse. There are nearly 9,000 manufacturers with operations in our state. They include transportation equipment, automotive, fabricated and primary metal manufacturing, machinery, plastic and rubber products, food, chemicals, furniture, electronic products, wood products, paper, electrical equipment, petroleum and coal and so much more. Not only does Indiana manufacturing drive our economy, on an individual basis, it provides for extraordinary opportunities. Today's manufacturing jobs are just as diverse as the products we produce. Whether it is engineers, designers, computer programmers, managers or skilled production employees, tremendous opportunities exist and are expanding.

So when our nation sets aside a day to recognize the accomplishments and importance of manufacturing, Indiana, as the nation's manufacturing leader, recognizes every day as manufacturing day. The motto of the Indiana Manufacturers Association is "What Indiana Makes, Makes Indiana." That phrase is truer today than ever before.

Formed in 1901, the Indiana Manufacturers Association is the second oldest manufacturers association in the country and the only trade association in Indiana that exclusively focuses on manufacturing. The Indiana Manufacturers Association, representing more than 1,400 companies, is dedicated to advocating for a business climate that creates, protects and promotes quality manufacturing jobs in Indiana. The staff of the Indiana Manufacturers Association has more than 140 years of combined governmental affairs experience and is recognized as experts in many areas including tax, environment, labor relations, human resources and healthcare.



Calendar

October 10, 10 am – 2 pm, Free Winter Car Check at the Career Center, no appointment necessary
October 15, 3:30-4:30, District CTE Advisory Committee Meeting, 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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