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"Our job includes making a profound difference in the lives of our students!" "Working Together for Every Student, Every Day"





Three of Mr. Phelp's Video Production students were selected as finalists for the Chicago Auto Show 'Drive Safe Chicago' Public Service Announcement (PSA) contest. All three students were awarded a \$1,000 check and Hannah Christy, a BGHS junior, was declared the winner and received an additional thousand dollars. Mackenzie Taulbee (Kouts) and Payton Ball (Wheeler) were also invited to the press conference and asked to show their PSA. After the press conference at the Auto Show, everyone went to the ABC 7

studios were Hannah spoke with the National Road Safety Commission's David Reich on live television. Pictured below is Hannah during her television interview.



Students in Mrs. Idding's Education & Early Childhood program celebrated the 100th day of school by participating in numerous activities while at South Haven Elementary School.











**New CHS Building Trades Project** 



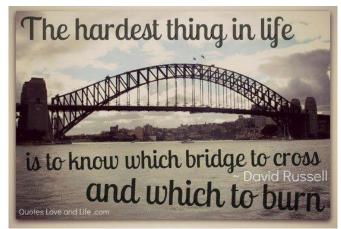


The classroom building at left is being constructed by Mr. Garzella's CHS Building Trades students.



For 10 years, the Indiana Tobacco Quitline (1.800.Quit.Now) has been the frontline tool for helping tobacco users break their addiction. Thousands of people have called 1.800.Quit.Now. The quitline is free, it's effective and it's confidential.

Now providers and employers have a new way to enroll tobacco users for quit services. <u>QuitNowReferral.com</u> is a fast and easy way to get tobacco users on the path to freedom. Pick battles big enough to matter, small enough to win. ~ Jonathan Kozel



If you can find a path with no obstacles, it probably doesn't lead anywhere. (author unknown)

### Students don't care how much you know until they know how much you care. Anonymous

# 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 unecessary texting. <u>Please sign our No Texting While Driving Pledge located in our Career Center Commons Area.</u>

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

Visit Porter County Career Net on Facebook for job search and resume tips, plus area job openings, and more advice from Mr. Zimmerman. Also "like" our Porter County Career and Tech Center FB page

Porter County Career and Tech program is proud of our most recent state data (2015-016 School Year). Our District was one of the only ten districts to exceed all required core standards:

Program Completion Rate: 100%
Placement in work, college, or both: 100%
Technical Skill attainment: 93%
H.S. Graduation: 98.7% (compared to the statewide graduation rate of 86.4%) In addition, students earned 4,960 college credits last year

The Career and Tech Center follows the school closing decisions for Valparaiso Schools. If you attend the Career Center, you and your parents should sign up for the VCS school messenger service so that you can receive mobile text messages notifying you of school closings or delays. Sign up for Career Center Closing/Delay Messages at http://bit.do/cVdRJ

# Calendar

- Spring Break, March 27 March 31
- April 13, 3:30 4:30, District Advisory Council Meeting
- April 14, Pre-prom Bonfire Celebration at Sunset Hill Farm, 7 9 pm
- May 2, 6:30 pm at Wheeler HS Auditorium, Technical Honor Society Induction
- May 5, Final Blood Drive of the Year, 8-230, Non Students welcome from 945 1100.

#### 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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