Porter County Career & Technical Education News



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

"Where Everyone is on a Path to Success"



Fun at the Notre Dame Hockey Game

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Staff having fun with the ND leprechaun at the ND/Wisconsin Hockey game.

Ivy Tech Paramedic Professor Jeff Lawley can be seen teaching Lexi Lambert (CHS Junior) how to correctly intubate a patient.

Health Science I students from Mrs. Marcus and Mrs. Wilson's class both visited several labs at Ivy Tech on a recent visit to the campus. All of the Health labs were very new and well equipped with electronic mannequins and other state-of-the-art equipment.



Our Auto students escorted by Mr. Furry and Hundt had fun and did very well at the regional SkillsUSA contest in Hammond. Our students won 5 of the top 8 places and Jeremy Rucklos (Chesterton HS) and Dylan Jaskulski (Hobart HS) earned the right to compete at the state competition.



| Jeremy Rucklos | 3rd |
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| Dylan Jaskulski | 5th |
| Mike McGlothlen | 6th |
| Evan Sprang | 7th |
| Dalton Winquist | 8th |
| Josh Baldwin | 14th |
| Andres Acosta | 16th |
| Steve Finley | 19th |
| | out of 24 |



Former student, Cole Ozbolt, addresses guidance counselor workshop at Urschel Laboratories. Cole started as a machinist and is now doing CAD drafting in the engineering department. He has a degree from Vincennes University and is buying his first home. Urschel's spokespersons lead by plant manager Jason Martin, said they have a dire need for manufacturing employees and encouraged counselors to direct students into the Career Center Precision Machining class or Ivy Tech or Vincennes. Mr. Martin also encouraged graduates to get employed in any manufacturing plant and then try and get enrolled in the local Machinist/Millwright apprentice program. Urschel's workforce will be facing numerous retirements over the next 10 years.

Porter County Career and Tech program is proud of our most recent state data (2016 - 017 School Year).

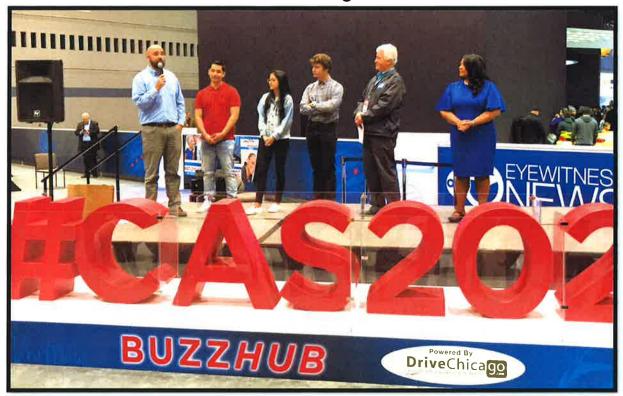
Our District was one of the only three districts to exceed all required core standards:

Program Completion Rate: 99.7%
Placement in work, college, or both: 97%
Technical Skill attainment: 93.8%

H.S. Graduation: 97%

In addition, students earned 4,737 free college credits last year

Video Production Students Win First Three Places in Drive Safe Chicago Contest



Our three students (L-R) are Ethan Fragoso (Portage), Maya Vickrey (Morgan Township), and Logan Ozdyck (Valparaiso). Instructor Mr. Phelps is on the left and national Drive Safe Chicago officials are on the right.

Please join our Facebook page "Porter County Career and Tech Center". Also join "Porter County Career Network", that is the page where we post jobs from employers looking for our students and alumni.

Men are required by law to register for the Selective Service within 30 days of their 18th birthday. Registration is not only a legal requirement, but a civic duty and key component of our national defense readiness. Men can register in 45 seconds at SSS.gov

Failure to register will mean they are unable to receive federally funded college loans and grants; and be ineligible for many state and federal jobs; if he is an immigrant he will have a five-year delay in processing his citizenship application.

"The two most important days in your life are the day you are born and the day you find out why." – Mark Twain

"Spread love everywhere you go. Let no one ever come to you without leaving happier." Mother Teresa

Porter County Career and Technical students earned 4,737 credits last year in our 1/2 day CTE classes.

It is that time of year again! How to find out about school closings:

School closings/delays are posted on your school website, your school text messaging service, <u>cancellations.com</u>, or WLJE Radio (and their website at https://indiana105.com/region-cancellations/).

The Career Center follows the Valparaiso School schedule - Any and all students, parents, and guardians may sign up for the Valparaiso Schools Text Messaging service. Simply text "yes" to 68453.

The following radio stations will broadcast school closings by 6 a.m.

- WAKE/1500AM Valparaiso
- WLJE/105.5 FM Valparaiso

The Approved Career Center Policy is as follows:

Students driving to vocational classes should be extra cautious and not drive if his/her parents deem driving to be unsafe. In such instance, they should call off by notifying their CTE teacher. These instances will be considered administrative absences and any missed work will be allowed to be made up with no penalty. "The safest and most reliable transportation is on a school bus"

The Porter County CTE District was one of only five districts in Indiana that met or exceeded all eight Indiana CTE performance indicators!

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. New Indiana law says that holding a phone while driving is illegal. <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)
- ✓ Designate a passenger to do the texting for you
- ✓ Pull over to answer the phone or to type or read a text
- ✓ Don't be the next Distracted Driving victim!

Calendar

❖ District Advisory Committee Meeting, Wed., April 8, 3:30-4:30, Career and Tech Center

Tech Honor Society Induction: May 5, 6:30 pm at Wheeler High School Auditorium



Our Newsletter

Porter County Career and Technical Education News is a newsletter for promoting the high achievement of our students and staff. 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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