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Livingston Area Career Center

CAREER EDUCATION

the VOC NEWSLETTER

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LACC Automotive Technology

The Livingston Area Career Center offers a two-year program designed to train students in the field of automotive repair. Upon completion, the student will have gained enough experience to secure an entry level position in any number of repair facilities ranging from oil change and tire stores to dealership trainee positions.

Graduates of Automotive Technology I will take the advanced Automotive Technology II Program. Here they will learn diagnostics and attempts to establish a work ethic that can be used in the workplace. Auto Technology II students also have the opportunity to compete in several auto repair competitions. The top qualifiers could go on to higher levels of competitions where they compete for financial awards toward automotive, diesel, and body repair colleges.

The course is taught by Mr. Charles Prong. His credentials include: an Associate's Degree in Automotive Service Technology from Monroe Community College in Rochester New York and



a Bachelor degree in Career and Technical Education from Eastern University. He is also ASE Certified in several categories of auto repair. Mr. Prong has worked in a number of dealerships and various repair facilities over the last 30 years, and brings a world of auto repair experience to the LACC.

Each student in the Automotive Technology



class has an opportunity to earn a Valvoline Motor Oil Career Certification. Student need to demonstrate excellence under the hood and knowledge engine oils.

Many LACC automotive graduates have become employed directly out of high school. Others who have chosen to attend technical schools or colleges have a jump on a student that did not attend a career and technical educational program. Finally, those who obtain ASE certification can demand the highest salaries and benefits.

Many students have launched their careers from the LACC Auto Program. Locally our graduates are employed at Heller Lincoln Mercury Dodge, Driscoll Motors, Fraher Ford, Praff's Tire, Bernie's Automotive and several other repair shops. Many repair facilities in Livingston County currently employ one or more former LACC students.

Students of the Month

"January"



Samantha Gleason

Pontiac Township High School
 Class: Emergency Medical Technician
 Instructor: Jack Campbell & Rick Higgins



Taylor Seal

Pontiac Township High School
 Class: Law Enforcement II
 Instructor: Jack Bristow



Students of the Month

"February"



Elizabeth Houck

Tri-Point High School
 Class: Certified Nurse Assistant
 Instructor: Ruth Ann Rodino



Hunter Bolen

Prairie Central High School
 Class: Engineering and Architectural Design I
 Instructor: Ryan Woith



FCCLA Activities

Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America section is tirelessly preparing and engaging in exciting events for our community. At the beginning of the year, members gathered together to lend a hand in Pink Ribbon Week; a week where people from the schools and community join together in hopes of creating awareness and raising funds for breast cancer. The event truly is remarkable to be a part of. If you missed seeing them in September for the Homecoming Parade, I am confident you will still have the chance. Our Section president, Andrea Araujo, has spoken and given hope that members will soon be in our community giving back once again. Some activities they hope to be involved in are Meals to Go, volunteering at the Humane Society, helping out at the local food pantry, and much more.

At the beginning of this upcoming year, members from all around the area will come together to participate in FCCLA's Section 11 Meeting. At Section, members from all around the county and neighboring ones come together in hopes of strengthening bonds of friendship, instilling stronger morals in our younger generation, and becoming great leaders in our community. Section 11 officers, including one from Pontiac, have been getting together since August to plan this year's section meeting. Exciting lessons and workshops have been planned to make this year the greatest one yet. The theme this year is "FCCLA is filled with PAW-sibilities." To enhance the theme, Section 11 will be doing many things to help our community's animals.

Also at Section, members will be competing in STAR Events where they will be presenting projects they did to help benefit our community and/or enhance their leadership skills. Students will have the opportunity to present the same projects at State if they advance. Good luck to all students competing.

If you know of any community service opportunities for FCCLA members, please contact Ashley Butler, Stephanie Nelson, or Amy Richardson at 815-844-6113.

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COURSES

- Automotive Technology
- Certified Nurse Assistant
- Computer Maintenance
- Computer Networking
- Construction Trades
- Cosmetology
- Culinary Arts
- Early Childhood Education
- Emergency Medical Technician
- Engineering & Architectural Design
- Fire Science
- Inter-Related Cooperative Education
- Law Enforcement
- Medical Terminology
- Office Information Processing
- Visual Media Art
- Welding Technology

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Quotes

"A person with a Career and Technical Education related associate degree or credential will earn between \$4,000.00 to 19,000.00 more a year than a person with a humanities degree."
 "Do the best you can in every task, no matter how unimportant it may seem at the time."

Regional Students of the Month for February

<u>Jamie McKee</u>	<u>Kevin Turner</u>
Pontiac Township High School	Pontiac Township High School
Class: Orientation to Health Occupations	Class: Web Design II
Instructor: Ruth Ann Rodino	Instructor: Doug Masching
<u>Ricky Johnson</u>	<u>Caitlyn Murphy</u>
Pontiac Township High School	Tri-Point High School
Class: Introduction to Welding	Class: Entrepreneurship in Publications
Instructor: Jodi Lancaster	Instructor: Marianne Stevenson



Pictured above: FCCLA members sell Pink Ribbons to honor Breast Cancer Awareness Month as one of their yearly community service activities.