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Ready for College. Ready for Life.

Tech Prep Regional Showcase Winners



"Downtown Lima Art Park"
Joe Biller and Keith Barry
Apollo Career Center Landscaping and
Turf Management
Superior- First Place



"Shoo the Flu and Make New You"
Megan Darland and Annie Woeste
Tri Star Career Compact Med Prep
Superior- First Place



"Hybrid Technology"
Korey Smalley, Vickta Inprachack, Perry Phillips, Lauren Gerten,
Aaron Taylor and Robert Miller
Millstream Career & Technology Center Auto Technology
Superior-First Place



"Want to Play A Mind Game"
Brittany Gault, Brooke Gault,
Tresa Escamilla and Zachary
Dominique
Millstream Career & Technology
Center Medical Technology
Excellent



"Achy, Breaky Back"
Ashley Wente, Jessica Huelsman,
and Brittany Henning
Tri Star Career Compact Med Prep
Superior- Second Place

Offering Tech Prep programs at:

Apollo Career Center
• Elida High School

Lima Senior High School

Millstream Career and
Technology Center
• Leipsic High School
• Miller City High School

Ohio Hi-Point Career Center
• Benjamin Logan High School
• Ridgemont High School
• Upper Scioto Valley High School

Tri Star Career Compact
• Ft. Recovery High School
• St. Henry High School

Vantage Career Center
• Delphos Jefferson High School
• Van Wert High School

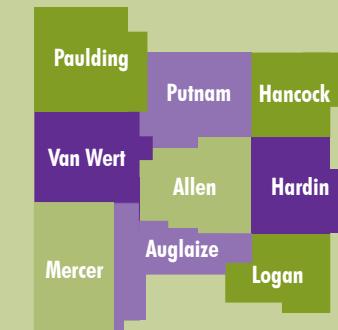
Providing college credit at:
Rhodes State College

University of Northwestern Ohio

Wright State University Lake Campus

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College Tech Prep

West Central Ohio

...making the transition from high school to college to career



Rick Biederman

Biederman closing the door on teaching after 30 years at Lima Senior High School

After 30 years of teaching at Lima Senior High, Rick Biederman says he will miss daily contact with students. "There is nothing greater than working with these kids," he says. "It has been a great career."

One of the first Tech Prep teachers in the West Central Ohio Tech Prep Consortium, Biederman has taught Auto Technologies Tech Prep for 10 years, as well as Automotive Technologies. "Looking back, I feel that the kids really respect Tech Prep. You can tell a difference, especially in the way the kids handle themselves."

Biederman continues, "Before we had Tech Prep, very few students went to college. Now, many continue their education. Last year, 100 percent of our Automotive Technologies Tech Prep students went on to college, the armed services or into the workforce."

Further education and training is absolutely necessary in the automotive field today, he explains. "Advances in technology have made a big change in 30 years, but Tech Prep stepped in to help."

Along with his wife Karen, who retired after a long career teaching and coordinating Tech Prep programs at Lima Senior High School, Biederman plans to spend time with his 13 grandchildren. "I want to stay busy, but try something different," he says. "I've loved my job."

Rhodes State awarding second-year students \$1,000 scholarships

Zachary Miron says an additional \$1,000 academic scholarship will really make a difference in paying the bills at Rhodes State College next year. Miron is one of a number of second-year Tech Prep students meeting the requirements for an additional \$1,000 scholarship from the college.

He currently holds a 3.7 GPA as an Electronic Engineering Technology major. His \$2,000 Tech Prep scholarship, savings from his landscaping job and help from his parents helped him pay for his first year without borrowing any money.

A Shawnee High School graduate, Miron completed the Manufacturing Engineering Technology Tech Prep program at Apollo Career Center. In addition, he took six Post Secondary Educational Option classes at Rhodes during his senior year.

He says he is considering completing a double major and definitely plans to pursue a bachelor's degree.

"My Tech Prep class at Apollo gave me a bit of a head start.

It was basically an introduction to college—and one of my better decisions," Miron explains.

"The engineering faculty at Rhodes is friendly," he says. "If you show up to class and do your work, you'll be all right."



Zachary Miron

Message from Nancy
West Central Ohio Director

Looking ahead to next year

Congratulations to all our scholarship winners who are highlighted in this newsletter. Your hard work has paid off, and we wish you the best as you begin your college careers. Congratulations also to our Tech Prep students receiving associate's degrees and those continuing on to bachelor's degree programs.

Let me extend a warm welcome to the Career Technical programs that are transitioning to College Tech Prep in 2009-2010. We will add 18 programs at eight sites in Manufacturing Technologies, Marketing and the Business and Administrative Career Pathways. Thank you to our teachers and administrators at these schools who have dedicated many hours to developing the Programs of Study. We look forward to continuing to develop strong partnerships between our high schools and higher education partner schools.

As we wrap up another year, I want to emphasize that our focus in College Tech Prep is the development of 21st Century skills, rooted in technology and problem solving. It is certainly rewarding work, and we thank you for your patience and support as we work our way together through this Five-Year Plan.

Nancy Osborn
Nancy Osborn, Director



From left, Bruce Johnson, Apollo Career Center Instructional Supervisor, Nancy Osborn and business partner Nick Ebbing, Certified Executive Chef and Marketing Associate for Sysco Corporation.



From left, Shannon Thom, Hancock Wood Electric Cooperative, Nancy Osborn and Richard Steiner, Assistant Director and Millstream Career and Technology Center.

Annual Dinner honors business, industry partners

A number of business and industry partners were honored at the annual dinner.

Nick Ebbing, Certified Executive Chef, was recognized for his time, energy and efforts during weekly visits to the Restaurant Management Technologies class at Apollo Career Center. In addition to advising on pertinent matters ranging from competitions to colleges, Ebbing offers employment opportunities to culinary students.

Peggy Ehora of Dominion East Ohio spearheaded the implementation of the Downtown Lima Art Park, from funding to installation. Providing a mentorship opportunity, Dominion East employees worked alongside Landscape Turf Management students at Apollo Career Center in landscaping the park.

Sharon Martin from Lima Memorial Hospital arranges job shadowing, early clinical experience and mentoring opportunities for Lima Senior High School Patient Care Technology students. Martin also serves on the Advisory Committee and community panel to judge senior projects.

Pam McBrien, Community Events/Volunteer Service Coordinator at Mary Rutan Hospital, was honored for her strong support of Ohio Hi-Point Health Technology students through the implementation of a volunteer program at the hospital this year. McBrien mentors volunteers and provides guidance with senior projects.

Shelly Ruppert of Joint Township District Memorial Hospital was recognized for her generous and active contributions to the Med Prep program at Tri Star Career Compact. With her assistance, Med Prep students are afforded job shadowing and mentoring opportunities, as well as career exploration visits.

John Smith from Stykmain Chevrolet has been an active supporter of Auto Technology Tech Prep at Vantage Career Center. In addition to providing automotive donations to the lab, Smith provides guidance from a business perspective by serving on the Advisory Council.

Shannon Thom of Hancock Wood Electric Cooperative helped secure a 1997 Chevrolet S10 from Prism Propane and a \$5,000 grant from Hancock Wood Electric Cooperative for Millstream Career and Technology Center Auto Technology students. An alumnus of Millstream's Electronics program, Thom is a strong supporter of Career Technical Education.

Christina Vorhees from Trinity Center for Creative Child Care serves on the Early Childhood Education Advisory Board at Apollo Career Center and offers Trinity Center as one of the Early Childhood Education lab sites. Eight Apollo Early Childhood Education graduates are on staff at Trinity Center for Creative Child Care, where eighteen juniors rotate through the program.

College Tech Prep students receive scholarships from area colleges

A number of scholarships were awarded at the twelfth annual West Central Ohio College Tech Prep dinner held to recognize seniors.

Five seniors received \$2,000 scholarships to Rhodes State College, two received \$1,000 scholarships to Wright State University-Lake Campus, three were awarded \$2,000 and six were awarded \$1,000 scholarships to the University of Northwestern Ohio.

All other WCO Tech Prep students entering Rhodes State College this fall will be awarded \$1,000 scholarships if they meet the criteria.

Students who receive \$1,000 or \$2,000 scholarships to Rhodes State College for the 2009-2010 school year will also be eligible for \$1,000 scholarships the following year. To qualify, students must have a 3.0 GPA.

Rhodes State College Scholarship Recipients



Bryant Kesler
Apollo Career Center
\$2,000



Randi Kimmel
Millstream Career & Technology Center
\$2,000



Ashley Sprang
Ohio Hi Point Career Center
\$2,000



Kyle Stoker
Tri Star Career Compact
\$2,000

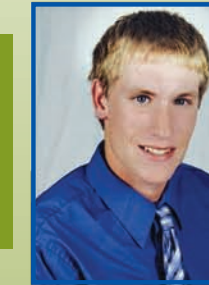


Kisha Kelly
Vantage Career Center
\$2,000



Jordan Wendel
Tri Star Career Compact
\$1,000

*Wright State University-
Lake Campus
Scholarship Recipient*



Cory Pfeffenberger
Tri Star Career Compact
\$1,000



University of Northwestern Ohio Scholarship Recipients



Kevin Foulkes
Apollo Career Center
\$1,000



Daniel Wagner
Apollo Career Center
\$1,000



Andrew Horn
Lima Senior High School
\$2,000



Perry Phillips
Millstream Career & Technology Center
\$1,000



Korey Smalley
Millstream Career & Technology Center
\$1,000



Lance Salyer
Ohio Hi Point Career Center
\$2,000



Brett Hartings
Tri Star Career Compact
\$2,000



Derek Fennig
Vantage Career Center
\$1,000



Joe McGuire
Vantage Career Center
\$1,000



Ohio Tech Prep Academy redesigned for fall

New Tech Prep teachers or Career-Technical teachers whose programs are transitioning to the Tech Prep model are encouraged to attend the Tech Prep Academy.

Redesigned with new content, the format offers a choice of one of two meetings in August, followed by a group meeting in Columbus and then a videoconference. Tim Nolan and Carol Larkin will discuss timely topics including curriculum content standards, articulation agreements, differentiated instruction and inquiry-based learning techniques.

Credit is available. For more information, visit www.techprepohio.org/academy.