



DIRECTOR'S REPORT

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Roughrider and Missouri River host welding academy

The Roughrider and Missouri River Area Career and Tech Centers jointly hosted the fifth annual Welding Academy at the Bismarck Career Academy in Bismarck on June 9th with fourteen students in attendance.

Monday morning started with classroom instruction on welding safety. The afternoon was hampered by a power outage on portions of the BSC campus due to a power line cut which discouraged students as they were anxious to get into the shop and start welding.

The focus of the academy was on flat welding, vertical welding and horizontal welding on electrode and wire fed welders. Students who attended the academy were there for the purpose of certification. Mr. Privratsky noted that, "Students could not wait to see if they could get certified." It is important to note that all students certified were certified in more than one areas with many of the students receiving certification in all areas tested.

The academy could not be a success without the expertise of the instructors. Mr. Privratsky, retired Dickinson High School welding instructor; Mr. Clarence Hauck, Dickinson High School welding instructor, and Mr. Barry Schneider, Bismarck Career Academy and Bismarck State College welding instructor. All three instructors have numerous years of welding experience in the field, and have something to share in the classroom.

"As a teacher, one has to be able to learn something everyday to make it beneficial to the students."

- Rudy Privratsky

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DHS Welding Instructor Clarence Hauck critiquing a student's work.

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Mr. Schneider testing Wyatt's weld to see if it qualifies for certification.

Welding academy continued

Mr. Privratsky, stated, "The students were great." "As a teacher, one has to be able to learn something everyday to make it beneficial to the students."

Mr. Hauck added, " The welding academy is pretty rewarding experience for the students who attend and can get certified and be welders."

The Welding Academy returns to Dickinson next year with a tentative date set for the week of June 15th.



Mr. Hauck inspects Kash's weld for consistency and quality.

Mrs. Johnson joins RACTC

Bobbie Johnson is a Dickinson native. She graduated from Dickinson High School in 2000. After high school, she attended Dickinson State University from 2000-2002. Prior to college graduation, Bobbie enrolled in the U.S. Army and served as medic from 2002-2006. After her stint in the army, Bobbie returned to DSU to study to obtain a Bachelor's of Science in Nursing in 2011.

Bobbie has worked in Dickinson as a nurse at St. Joseph's Hospital on the medical surgical floor, a charge nurse at St. Luke's Nursing Home, and a nurse for an internal medicine doctor at Sanford Clinic.

Bobbie is married to Chris Johnson and they have one son, Isaac. In her free time she enjoys golfing, gardening and reading. Bobbie also volunteers at the House of Manna by taking in donations donated on the weekends.

Hi tech training schedule for 2014—2015

Global Technology, Inc., located in Mandan, North Dakota, has released it's training schedule for the fall semester. All courses are in Mandan unless otherwise noted. Classes run from 8:30am – 4:40pm (CT) each day. Courses are available with optional Graduate Credit through the University of North Dakota Professional Development for Educators.

Laser/Fiber Optic – July 15 & 16

Graphic Production (emphasis on BN-20) – July 29 & 30

Plasma Cutter – August 5 & 6

Bio-Chem – September 8 & 9

M/P/H – September 23 & 24

C/N/C – October 7 & 8

Electronics – October 21 & 22

Embroidery – November 4, 5, & 6

Robotics – November 18 & 19

For additional information contact Larry Sebastian through email or by phone.



CTE 5-Year Eval

On January 5th, CTE administrators from the Department; including CTE educators, and a Consortium Director will evaluate the Roughrider Area Career and Technical Center.

The team evaluation will take place over a two-day period. Members of the evaluation team will travel to program area schools to visit with teachers, administrators, students, and school board members.

More information will be forthcoming to schools in August and September in preparation for the five-year evaluation cycle.

Calendar of Events

July 2 RACTC Monthly Board Meeting (DSU SU Rm 112)
July 17—27 ND State Fair (Minot)
August 6 RACTC Monthly Board Meeting (DSU SU Rm 112)
August 11-14 PDC Conference (Bismarck)
August 25 First Day of ITV Classes
September 1 Labor Day—No School
September 3 RACTC Monthly Board Meeting (DSU SU Rm 112)
September 20—24 SkillsUSA Washington Leadership Training
September 24 Health Careers Advisory Committee Meeting
September 28-29 SkillsUSA Fall Leadership Conference
September 29 District 7 FFA Fall Leadership Conference
September 30 District 8 FFA Fall Leadership Conference
October 1 RACTC Monthly Board Meeting (DSU SU Rm 112)
October 15 FFA State Parly Pro
October 16—17 Teacher's Convention—No School
October 22-29 SkillsUSA Mid America Leadership Conference
October 24 End of First Quarter
November 5 RACTC Monthly Board Meeting (DSU SU Rm 112)
November 11 Veteran's Day—No School
November 15 Membership Fee Roster Due in National Office
November 27—28 Thanksgiving Break—No School
December 3 RACTC Monthly Board Meeting (DSU SU Rm 112)
December 23 Last Day of ITV Classes Before Christmas Break
December 23 End of Second Quarter
January 5 ITV Classes Resume
January 5—6 CTE 5-Year Evaluation
January 7 RACTC Monthly Board Meeting (DSU SU Rm 112)
January 10—11 FFA Winter Leadership Conference
January 19—Martin Luther King—No ITV Classes
February 4 RACTC Monthly Board Meeting (DSU SU Rm 112)
February 8—14 SkillsUSA Week
February 15 Membership Fees/Roster Due in National Office
February 16 President's Day—No ITV
March 4 RACTC Monthly Board Meeting (DSU SU Rm 112)
March 18 End of Third Quarter
March 19—20 Spring Break
March 23 ND Winter FFA CDE's (Minot)
April 1 RACTC Monthly Board Meeting (DSU SU Rm 112)
April 3 Good Friday—No ITV Classes
April 6 Easter Monday—No ITV Classes
April 19—21 SkillsUSA State Conference (Wahpeton)
May 6 RACTC Monthly Board Meeting (DSU SU Rm 112)
April 29 Health Careers Advisory Meeting
May 22 End of Fourth Quarter
May 25 Memorial Day
June 1—5 FFA State Convention (Fargo)
June 3 RACTC Monthly Board Meeting (DSU SU Rm 112)
June 15—June 19 Welding Academy (DHS Dickinson)
June 21—26 National SkillsUSA Conference (Louisville, KY)

Activities will be added as they become available.

Mission

Statement

The Mission of

Career and **T**echnical

Education is to

work with others to provide

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CITIZENS with
the *technical skills*,
knowledge, and *at-*
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for successful per-
formance in a
globally
competitive
workplace.

PDC Conference in August

The 44th Annual Professional Conference (PDC) will be held August 11th through August 14th at the Ramkota Hotel in Bismarck. The theme for the conference will be "Putting the Pieces Together."

Registration and the exhibit hall opens at 8:30 a.m. on Monday morning with the First General Session beginning at 1:00 p.m. Educator's of the year will be recognized at that time. Monday culminates with a Picnic that is hosted by CTE.



Tuesday the exhibit hall opens at 7:30 a.m. with the General Session beginning at 8:30. This years keynote speaker is Kelly Barnes. The theme of Kelly's presentation is "Great Moment's More Often." Kelly's goal is 'Helping people get from where they are to where they want to be.' At 10:15 a variety of sessions are available for participants to attend. A social follows at 4:15 p.m.

Wednesday concludes with "Program Area Sessions" where educators are given an opportunity to visit with business men and women from industry.

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Students from southwestern and south central North Dakota pose for a welding academy group picture.