### **WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT NEWS - October 2, 2018**

To: Workforce Development Students, Parents and Staff

From: Mr. Keck - Career Connections Coordinator Vermilion High School

**Students, Parents, Teachers and Supporters of The Workforce Development Program:** 

The following activities have been scheduled for this fall. Please make every effort to attend these events to complete your Related Class requirements.

Friday 10/5/18 Terra Tech (Community College) 9:30 AM in the Workforce Development area.

Friday 10/19/18 Ohio Business College 9:30 AM in the Workforce Development area.

Friday 11/2/18 EHOVE Adult Education Programs 9:30 AM in the Workforce Development area.

**September Events:** 

#### VHS WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM HAS REAL WORLD EXPERIENCE

The Ohio State University Regional Branch hosted a program called "Real World - Real Money" for the Vermilion High School Workforce Development Program. Over 60 students at Vermilion High School participated in the 2 day program.

On day one of the program, students were given a simulated career and yearly salary. They also were given a simulated family to calculate their expenses. Students needed to figure net monthly pay and start a savings account. The first part of the program also included lessons on credit and debit cards.

The second day of the program included 12 booths set up in the high school's Workforce Development wing of the school. Students had to visit each booth and make purchases based on their needs. The booths included: car financing, house or apartment financing, insurance purchasing. The other stations included purchase of food and child care, cell phone plan, entertainment and banking needs.

The booths were run by business people and familiar faces from the school. Special thanks go to Superintendent Phil Pempin, VHS Assistant Superintendent, Jim Balotta, VHS Principal Lisa Deliz, VHS Assistant Principal Jen Bengele.

Director of Operations James Williamson, and Resource Officer Brian Beckwith for participating and making the program a success.

The program was one of many facilitated by the Vermilion Rotary Club and the S.T.R.I.V.E. Program. S.T.R.I.V.E. stands for Students Taking a Renewed Interest in the Value of Education.

# "Students Pursuing Excellence" -

Each month the Workforce Development Program will feature a student or students that have been "Pursuing Excellence". This month we would like to recognize the following students.

# WFD STUDENT OF THE MONTH FOR SEPTEMBER - DAVID BAKER

The Workforce Development Program is excited to name David Baker as September's student of the month. David has been a member of the Workforce Development Program for 4 years and has demonstrated steady growth and improvement with each new year. David works hard every day to meet his academic goals, he has excellent attendance, he participates is classroom activities, and he is respectful of both teachers and peers. We have loved having David be part of our WFD program. Keep up the awesome work David!

#### S.T.R.I.V.E. STUDENT OF THE MONTH FOR SEPTEMBER - JOCELYNN ARNETT

Jocelynn has been an active member the STRIVE Program and has been a diligent student in our Workforce Development Program for the last four years. She will soon be finished with all of her required coursework for graduation. Jocelynn has been employed full-time at the Air Filter Factory here in Vermilion as a Sales Representative for over a year. She has also worked as a teachers' aide at Vermilion Elementary School. Jocelynn's future plans are to attend Lorain County Community College. She wants to pursue a career in education or would like to become a dental hygienist.