

2012-2013 New Staff

Four County Career Center new staff members for the 2012-2013 school year with new Superintendent Tim Meister (FAR LEFT) and Rick Bachman, Director of Career & Technical Education (FAR RIGHT); are (LEFT TO RIGHT) Jason Elston, Ag/Diesel Mechanics Instructor; Christine Badenhop, Librarian; Courtney Bowers, Intervention Specialist; Brittany Carnahan, Mathematics Instructor; and Curtis Hedrick, Technology Hardware Technician.



Opening day for all Four County Career Center juniors and new students is Wednesday, August 22, 2012 and Thursday, August 23, 2012 for returning seniors. The Career Center takes the concept of career and technical education beyond the traditional concept of focused training for a single profession and expands it to include clusters of training in a career field. This training combines the technological skills and the critical thinking skills needed for the students to succeed. The 2012-2013 school year at Four County Career Center is opening its' doors to over 1,000 new and returning students.

Upon completing their training, students receive a Career Passport containing a certificate documenting their training along with verification of employability skills. If they meet the graduation requirements of their high school and pass the required state examinations, they also receive a diploma from their associate high school.

Students attend the Career Center classes starting at 9:00 a.m. and ending at 3:00 p.m. Four County Career Center follows a closed lunch period policy requiring all students to either purchase a lunch in the cafeteria or carry their own. Lunches conform to federal governmental standards for a nutritious student lunch.

All Four County Career Center associate districts provide bus transportation for students enrolled in the Career Center. Students are urged to use the transportation provided by their local district. For students who must drive cars to school, a parking area is provided at the northwest edge of the school building.

School closing and delays will be broadcast over the Archbold, Bryan, Defiance, and Montpelier radio stations as well as WTVG-13 TV and WTOL-11 TV in Toledo.

Along with the new superintendent, Tim Meister, the Career Center is welcoming five new staff members for the 2012-2013 school year.

Jason Elston is the new Agriculture/Diesel Mechanics instructor at the Career Center. He is a past graduate of Four County and has worked as an ag technician for the past 14 years. Jason received his teaching certificate from the University of Toledo. He lives in Ney with his wife and two children.

Taking the position of Librarian is Christine Badenhop. She has a bachelor's degree in education K-12 from Bowling Green State University and an Information Technology degree K-12 from Mansfield University of Pennsylvania. She has worked in education for the past 21 years. Christine lives in Napoleon with her husband and they have two children.

The new Intervention Specialist instructor is Courtney Bowers. She has worked in education for nine years. Courtney holds both a bachelor's of business administration degree from the University of Toledo and a masters degree in education from Bowling Green State University. She lives in Wauseon with her son.

Brittany Carnahan is the new Mathematics instructor at the Career Center. She holds a bachelor's of science degree in education for integrated mathematics and is a recent graduate of Bowling Green State University. Brittany lives in Liberty Center.

Taking the position of Technology Hardware Technician is Curtis Hedrick. He has an associate degree in computer networking/computer programming from Rhodes State College. Curtis lives in Continental.