

Mock Accident

The entire student body at Four County Career Center had the opportunity to witness a mock accident with their classmates as the victims of a serious car crash. The mock accident was real to life with emergency personnel responding. The accident involved four students who had been drinking and driving and texting and driving. There was serious injury to these students and even a fatality. Students involved in the accident included Brookelyn Dye (Montpelier) Health Careers, Kevin Thomas (Fairview) Law Enforcement & Security Tactics, Edith Avalos (Hicksville) Cosmetology, and Matt Baerlin (Bryan) Culinary Arts Management.

As the accident unfolds, emergency personnel including Deputies from the Henry County Sheriff's office and the Ridgeville Township Fire Chief were the first to respond to the scene. They called for additional backup and an Ambulance and the Heavy Rescue Unit from Ridgeville arrived. Because of the seriousness of the students' injuries, St. Vincent's LifeFlight was called to the scene along with the Archbold Fire Department who came to assist. Firemen worked to extricate two students from the vehicle and send one to the hospital in an Ambulance and the other on LifeFlight. The one student who had been drinking and who caused the accident was taken by the Henry County Sheriff's office and put under arrest. Grisier Funeral Home came to the scene and took away the student who had died in the accident.

The mock accident helped to demonstrate how many lives can be altered or changed beyond repair because of choices that each student makes on a daily basis while driving. Students were encouraged to make good decisions this year and to continue those positive patterns for the rest of their lives. Andres O'Neil & Lowe Agency from Wauseon helped to sponsor this important event. Cathy Rupp, Career & Technical Supervisor at the Career Center, coordinated the event.

