

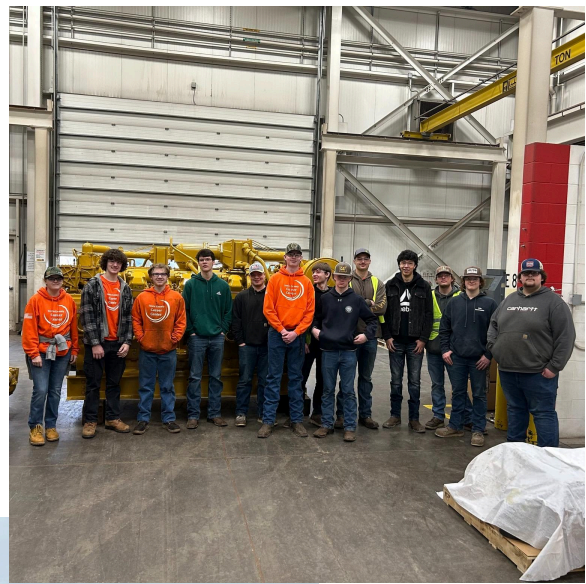


## April 2025 Board Report

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### Diesel Technology Connecting Students to the Industry

Our Diesel Technology students had the opportunity to visit Michigan CAT, MacAllister Rental, Farm Depot, and AIS, where they explored cutting-edge diesel technology across both construction and agricultural equipment. These hands-on visits provided valuable exposure to the heavy equipment industry, diesel engine mechanics, and career opportunities in the field.



## Jill of All Trades

Our Diesel Technology students recently participated in Ferris State University's *Jill of All Trades* event, which introduces high school girls to rewarding careers in the skilled trades and STEM fields. They led hands-on workshops alongside faculty, highlighting the exciting possibilities within Diesel Technology. We're proud to support this initiative and help inspire the next generation of skilled professionals.



### **Criminal Justice Ferris State Campus Tour**

Our Criminal Justice students recently had the exciting opportunity to tour Ferris State University. During the visit, they explored campus life, learned about the university's Criminal Justice program, and gained valuable insight into the opportunities that await them in higher education. This experience has sparked new inspiration and excitement for their academic futures.



### **Criminal Justice Michigan State Police Training Center Tour**

Our Criminal Justice students then toured the Michigan State Police Training Center where they participated in hands-on training simulations and learned about the rigorous academy process. This experience provided a firsthand look at the skills, discipline, and commitment required to serve and protect, inspiring students as they consider their futures in law enforcement.



## Educational Careers Inspiring Young Minds Through Reading



Our Educational Careers students recently had the enjoyable experience of reading to elementary school students. They shared stories, engaged with the young learners, and helped inspire a love for reading at an early age. This hands-on activity not only enriched the students' experience but also encouraged a passion for education in the next generation.

## Plant & Animal Science Exploring Taxidermy with Mr. Godwin

Mr. Godwin recently joined our Plant & Animal Science class to share his expertise in the art and science of taxidermy. Students gained insight into the detailed process of animal preservation and learned hands-on skills from a professional who not only teaches the craft but actively practices it through his own taxidermy business.



## **Computer Programming eSports Competition**

Our Computer Programming students recently traveled to Zeeland to compete in a regional eSports competition. The event challenged students to apply their technical abilities in real time, emphasizing strategic gameplay, communication, and teamwork. It was a high-energy experience that allowed them to engage in friendly competition while expanding their problem-solving and collaboration skills in a unique, tech-driven environment.



## **Culinary Arts Competing and Judging at Trilogy Health's Culinary Event**

Students Cora and Rico, along with alum Miguel and instructor Mrs. Brooks, recently took part in Trilogy Health's Culinary Competition at The Willows of East Lansing. Rico worked alongside Chef Alex from Howell as a sous chef, while he and Cora assisted competitors throughout the event. Mrs. Brooks was

honored to serve as one of four judges, evaluating dishes and helping recognize top culinary talent. The event was a great opportunity for students to gain real-world experience and connect with industry professionals.

