

Region 5 Success Stories

Summer 2022

Region 5 JAG earns 5 of 5 AGAIN!

For another year, Region 5 JAG has earned the five of five award. This year, our Region had more individual programs achieve the recognition than any other region in the state!

| | National Goal | JAG Indiana | Region 5 JAG |
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| Graduation Rate | 90% | 94% | 97.74% |
| Employment Rate | 60% | 69% | 71.92% |
| Full-Time Employment Rate | 80% | 85% | 80.75% |
| Positive Outcome Rate | 80% | 82% | 86.92% |
| Further Education Rate | 35% | 39% | 50% |

Programs earning 5 of 5 (* indicates 100% contact rate)

Avon High School*
Eastern Hancock High School*
Greenfield Central High School
Martinsville High School*
Mt. Vernon High School*
Shelbyville Sr. High School 1*
Shelbyville Sr. High School 2*
Sheridan High School*
Whiteland Community High School*



Additional Programs with 100% contact rate:

Pendleton Heights High School



Greg Judy accepts R5 award at National Training in Las Vegas



Greenfield-Central Specialist Darren Turner was recognized nationally as an Outstanding Indiana Specialist. Pictured L-R are Janelle Duray, Executive Vice-President and COO of JAG; Darren Turner; then Ken Smith, Founder, President and CEO of JAG.



MVHS Specialist James Cochran retired this year. He has been a Specialist since the program opened at Mt. Vernon and will be missed! To stay connected, Mr. Cochran continues to work as a part of the Multiplying Good Partnership within the Mt. Vernon Community School system.



For 12 months after the Senior Year, we follow up with exited JAG students to ensure that they are moving from full-time general education into full-time employment and a career. This edition showcases a few students who are successfully navigating that transition.

Specialists as Case Managers:

Case Managers try to prepare youth for life after high school. But here are the top struggles students report (and our Specialists and WorkOne youth staff help)



- Time Management
- Finding a job
- Finding a trade school
- How to interview for a promotion
- How to deal with homesickness at college
- Dealing with depression

College-Bound and Scholarships

Even with the weariness and doubt of a pandemic, half of our JAG graduates pursued post-secondary education or another form of certification

Last year's Region Five grads reported **scholarships and grants offered totaling \$2,799,711**. Here is where they landed:

Public Colleges & Universities

- Ball State University
- Herron School of Art (IUPUI)
- Indiana State University
- Indiana University (Bloomington, Columbus, Kokomo)
- IUPUI
- Ivy Tech
- Paradise Valley Community College - Arizona
- Purdue University
- University of South Carolina
- University of Louisville
- University of West Virginia

Private Colleges & Universities

- Anderson University
- Fortis College
- Franklin College
- Indiana Tech
- Manchester University
- School of the Art Institute of Chicago
- University of Evansville
- University of Indianapolis
- University of St. Thomas

Trade and short-term certification

- Aveda Fredrick's Institute
- Christian Electric apprenticeship
- EMT
- Lincoln Tech
- Medical Assisting



- Muncie Barber School
- Paul Mitchell
- Phlebotomy Training Specialists
- Ryan Fire Protection
- Summit Salon Academy

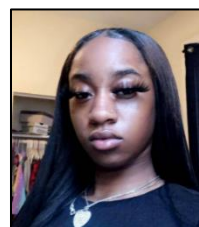
Majors: Some began their programs as Undecided, others indicated the following

- Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing & Related
- Managerial and professional Specialty
- Service Occupations
- Technical Sales and administrative
- Nursing
- Art
- Psychology
- Computer Networking
- Culinary Arts
- Early Childhood Education
- Elementary Education
- Finance
- Social Work
- Criminal Justice
- Hospitality Management
- Political Science
- Real Estate
- Sports Management

Where are they now?

Here is what a few of our students are doing in each program:

Anderson High School:



Samari Fisher of Anderson has been working at Bethany Pointe Nursing Home. **Dacoven Kirksey** works as a Direct Support Professional while attending IU Bloomington and studying to be a nurse. In addition to being in the Army National Guard.



Daylen Anderson works at Napleton Hyundai and has moved into a new apartment.

Sophia Lozinak completed a WEX at

Summit Salon Academy while she was a student. She received a scholarship and is pursuing a Cosmetology License.



Avon High School:

Morris Hansbrough launched his clothing line, Moronic, and has been met with great success -- selling over 100 units within the first few weeks of launch. With the help of mentors, he incorporated as an LLC and obtained a wholesale license. The brand can be found at moronicclo.com.



Aline Mukobwajana worked at Ingram Micro in Plainfield until she began attending South College to become a Licensed Medical Assistant.



After taking a gap year and working months at Portillo's, **Aaliyah Shelley**

started a new job at Thyssenkrupp in Plainfield, paying \$18.50 an hour. Her goal is to attend Ivy Tech in the fall of 2022.

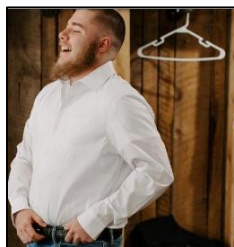


Madison Turk continues to work at Fiserv. In addition to work, she has planned out her budget and has moved to her own place. She plans to attend Ivy Tech this fall.



Eastern Hancock Jr./Sr. High School:

Chris Craney completed auctioneer school. In addition, he is employed full-time as a locksmith at Auto Return.



Dakota (Kody) Lanning is employed full-time as a manufacturer at API International.

Abigail Manning worked full-time at Cowpokes while attending phlebotomy



training on the weekends. She tested over the summer to become a Licensed Phlebotomist. Her goal is to work in a hospital.

Wes Campbell is currently working from home for Audio Transcription Center.



Greenfield-Central High School:

Sam Logan is serving in the Navy, looking forward to traveling to Japan in the future.

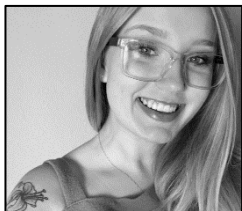


Peyton Hershberger secured a job working at Hancock Regional Hospital as a cook. He works 40 hours a week and loves his job.

Victoria Priest is

attending the Art Institute of Chicago, continuing courses this summer to get a jumpstart on the program.

Taylor Johnson loves her job working in dietary at Crown Point. She also works part-time at the Depot.



Martinsville High School:

Peyton Smith completed his Associate Degree in a single year through Ivy Tech's ASAP program. He plans to continue his



education at IU-Bloomington.

Brianna Harris began the year working full time at LEL Home services, but in May she began a new job as a Behavior Technician through Collaborating for Kids



in Greenwood. **Charles Proctor** is attending Manchester University; he also plays football.



Emiley Jones works at Artesian Childcare while attending Ivy Tech. She plans to pursue CNA certification through Grand Valley Gardens Living Facility.



Mount Vernon High School:

Zyaria Hatcher completed Nurse Aide Certification in August. She is attending Ivy Tech while working at the Independent Village in Fishers. She plans to apply for the LPN program.

Taylor Jones moved from working at Arby's for minimum wage to working at Cutco in Castleton for \$20/hour.



Payton Bovard is in the Army, stationed at Cherry Point North Carolina as a diesel mechanic.



Jasmine Couch just secured a new job working at North Wind Pharmaceuticals.

Pendleton Heights High School:



Like many JAG grads, **Darren Arnold** is working at Amazon, though he is exploring college options where he can use his artistic talent. After working at

Pizza King in Pendleton over the summer,

Draven Wiseman is attending Indiana State University.



Layton Maudlin is obtaining Cosmetology Certification through Aveda Fredricks Institute in Carmel.

Nolan Keesee is working full time at UPS, and plans on

entering an electrician apprenticeship program.



Shelbyville High School Program 1:



Brayden Curry moved from working at McDonald's to being hired at

Honda in Greensburg. **Alexys Tucker** works part-time during summers and breaks for Girl's Inc. She is attending IUPU-Columbus and is studying nursing.



Lillian Raison worked as a lifeguard this summer after finishing her first year at Ball State University.

Robbin Carpenter

is working full time at Major Hospital as a Licensed Phlebotomist. She also works part-time at Taco Bell.

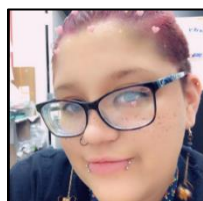


Shelbyville High School Program 2:



Olivia Adams is attending Ivy Tech through the Advantage Shelby program and is working full time at Especially Kidz.

Hailey Gibson began the year working part-time at a movie theater. In the year she was working at Dollar General, obtained a raise and promoted to Key Holder.



Anita Mejia Caballero is attending IUPUI and is working at Wal-Mart.

Former Outstanding Senior

Cheyenne Clouse is attending Grace College and is working at Bath and Body Works. She looks forward to being a guest speaker for JAG in the fall.



Sheridan High School:



Sierra Duke traveled to Honduras for a mission trip last summer before she packed her bags for Huntington University. She also is working part-time at Chick-Fil-A.



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Melody Garcia-

Villalobos moved to University of Central Florida and continues to work in Retail. She was on the Dean's List first semester.



Luke Poprik is pursuing a degree in Global Finance at Purdue University.

Keenan Warren began his year at Crew Car wash, but soon pursued an apprenticeship through IBEW. In 12 months he was working at a machine shop and enrolled in the 4-year program.



Whiteland High School:



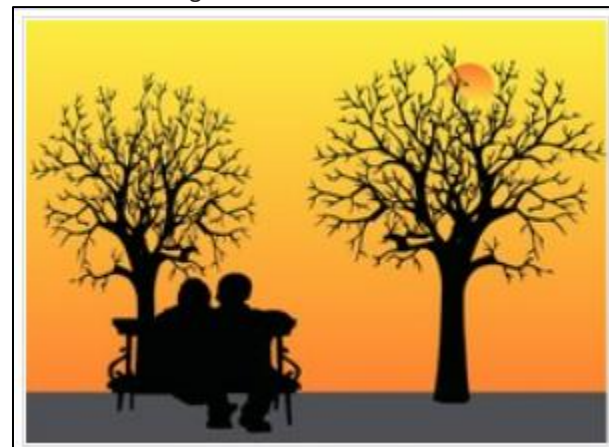
Dadrian Taylor thought he would like to pursue an apprenticeship, but soon decided that the construction industry was more to his liking. He is currently employed with Diamond Glassworks.



Halie Dow finished her first year at IUPUI and is planning to major in Communications.

Kennedy Garrett is working two part time jobs--one at a law firm and the other teaching swim lessons. She is attending IUPUI with the goal of becoming a Forensic Accountant.

Kaleb Davis began working at Ryan Fire Protection, and secured an internship to become an Extinguisher Technician.



In Memory of

In their short lives, these youth made an impact on us. We'd like to recognize the four JAG graduates whose lives ended too soon this past year:



Brandon Davisson –
Anderson High School

Kaylee Hix –
Greenfield-Central



Jacob Ronick –
Greenfield-Central



Jesse Meeks –
Greenfield-Central



The end of the year for students gave Region 5 JAG an opportunity to recognize our CDC winners. Our CDC Celebration event was held at the Ivy Tech of Hamilton County and included many activities to develop leadership and recognize our excellent students and Specialists.

JAG Manager Sara Beth Meyers facilitated an employer panel. Four guests shared their wisdom with students about the importance of participating in competitions and how JAG activities contribute to success in work and life.



Mount Vernon students shared their experience with Multiplying Good.



Students toured the Ivy Tech facility.



James Cochran and Darren Turner facilitated small group team building and leadership activities.

Director of DWD, Fred Payne was Keynote Speaker



Avon High School was recognized for their achievements at State CDC.



Outstanding Senior for Avon, River Bolden, received the first \$10,000 JAG National Scholarship awarded in Indiana

22-23 Region Five JAG Specialists

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| Miles Hammock | Anderson High School |
| Elena Stidham..... | Avon High School |
| Greg Judy..... | Eastern Hancock Jr/Sr High School |
| Darren Turner | Greenfield-Central High School |
| Sheri Cramer..... | Martinsville High School |
| Chris Green..... | Mount Vernon High School |
| Richard (Butch) Burke..... | Pendleton Heights High School |
| Luci Pettit | Shelbyville High School 1 |
| April Parker | Shelbyville High School 2 |
| Abbi Ward | Sheridan High School |
| Elizabeth Moffett..... | Whiteland High School |
| Mary Beth Goldsmith | Assoc. Director of Youth Programming |
| Sara Beth Meyers..... | JAG Manager |
| Jo DuMontelle | JAG Coordinator |