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The CTE Academy Vitality #1 ***August 2, 2018: A Once-in-a-While Newsletter***

Welcome: *On behalf of the students and staff members of the Jo Daviess Carroll Career Technical Education (CTE) Academy, I welcome you to the initial edition of **The Vitality**, our once-in-a while newsletter. Why **The Vitality**? Our goal and challenge is to re-vitalize the CTE Academy! We're vital to our communities and school districts **as they are to us!** I have learned so much in only one month ABOUT the continuous, exemplary collaboration between our communities, school districts, and the Academy! Congratulations on the success from 1972-2018! We're feeling re-vitalized and anxiously looking forward to our 1st day with students on Tuesday, August 21st!*

The Vitality is FREE and I promise there will ONLY be a FRONT and BACK. I published 8 years of the "T Time" in my previous position and never needed a third page (although "once-in-a-while" sometimes became every 2 weeks). Seems every time I published the "T Time," staff members suggested other topics the same day for the NEXT edition. Please e-mail or telephone if you wish to cancel your FREE subscription... A mistake, of course... Please feel free to forward **The Vitality** to others (and/or suggest other subscribers). Hopefully, others will make suggestions for topics for the NEXT edition. Feedback always appreciated! Thank you!

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The Vitality Focus: *The primary focus of **The Vitality** will be on the students and staff members of the CTE Academy. Future editions will feature students and recognize “Outstanding Students of the Quarter.” **The Vitality** will also feature staff members and share their curriculum, community collaboration, service projects, etc.*

The Face of the CTE Academy - Nate Tyler. *Please welcome Nate Tyler to the CTE Academy as the Law Enforcement/Criminal Justice Instructor. Nate joins us after retiring from the Dubuque Police Department after 24 years of service. Please check-OUT his bio on the Academy website along with all of our other veteran Instructors and staff members. Please VISIT our website often!*

Here is an excerpt from my bio on the website: *I wish to take this opportunity to formally thank the Board of Control for allowing me the opportunity to be the Career Technology Education Academy (CTE) Director. This is my 40th year in education (Pennsylvania, Wisconsin, and Iowa). I have been an elementary, junior high, and high school teacher; reading specialist; talented and gifted coordinator; elementary principal; central office administrator; and Transportation Manager. I have recently retired (3/30/18) after 28 years in the Dubuque Community School District in Dubuque (the last eight as Transportation Manager). The dog’s name on the photo above my bio is Kale. Kale has two sisters: Kimber and Kylie.*

Thank You!

- *Primary Contractors, Inc. (PCI) from Elizabeth/Scales Mound for repairing our entrance concrete and installing an accessible ramp in our front sidewalk!*
- *Our staff members for “sprucing-up” the CTE Academy sign with hostas, lilies, and rose bushes! We hope an electronic sign is in our future!*

Plea: *Please pass the word (this goes under the heading of Mr. Obvious). Our driveway, bus lane, and parking LOT is NOT a thru street. Soon, students and staff will be present and we’re ALL ABOUT safety. Please do NOT “cut -through” to save a few seconds. Very much appreciated!*

Calendar:

Thursday-Friday, August 2-3, ICTA Back-to-School Retreat, East Peoria

Monday, August 6, 8:00 a.m., County Institute Planning

Monday, August 6, 9:00 a.m., Eagle Ridge (Budget Hearing) – **Postponed**

Monday, August 6, 9:30 a.m., Board of Control (Budget Hearing) – **Now 9:00 a.m.**

Thursday, August 9, 7:00-11:00 a.m., Work Day (light breakfast).

Thursday, September 6, 3:00-6:00 p.m., Open House – **Date Change**

Monday, August 20, Professional Development Day

Tuesday, August 21, 1st Day with Students

Monday, September 3, NO School (Labor Day)

September 17, 8:15 a.m. Sign-IN, County Institute Day, River Ridge

Paraprofessionals @ CTE (9:00 – 12:00)

Open House: *Please join us @ our Open House on Thursday, September 6th, 3:00 – 6:00 PM to meet our NEW and veteran Instructors and staff members. Artifacts will be on display and refreshments will be available. Please help us begin the school year and our efforts to re-vitalize the CTE Academy! “Warning! Entrance into this building may cause knowledge!” Thank you!*