

LCCPA Newsletter

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LCCPA Student Spotlight: Adam Hietpas

- * Describe Yourself: I am a respectful athlete, care about others, and am a humble go-getter.
- ***** Biggest Life Lesson You Have Experienced: I try not to take things for granted. The opportunity to play football through high school has been a life-changing experience. Now that it's over, I realize that you can't have everything forever.



- * What Motivates You: I want to make my parents proud. Achieving success makes me strive for more success.
- * Perfect Day: Being up North & eating. Wake up at 8:00. Going to breakfast with my family. Working/playing outside at the cabin. Supper over the fire and listening to music and talking.
- * Biggest Worry in Life: Not being happy or successful.
- * Describe Being Successful: Having a well paying, stable job with a family of my own. Being a good dad and having a strong friendship network. Being happy at the end of the day!



The interviewer knows you improved your ACT score by 6 points which is unheard of: Please elaborate.

I took the national test as a junior and was disappointed in my results. I talked with my parents about finding a tutor to study for the ACT. We found an educator who specifically tutors people individually. I went twice a week all last summer and studied after the sessions. I retook the test in September and was much happier with the results that reflected my abilities.

***** The Most Important Word in the English Language is:

Resiliency-not everything goes how you want and you have to be able to pick yourself up and keep striving for your best.

***** Describe Your Career Development Path: I originally thought I would do something in healthcare and through career experiences, I realized it wasn't for me. I

tried engineering and realized that also wasn't for me. I then took some business courses and went on a few business career experiences which sparked my current pursuit of a business career.

- * Biggest Dislikes in Your World: When people give up. When others look at what is wrong, trying to blame others.
- ***** Describe the LCCPA: It gives me opportunities. The focus is on understanding the material instead of just plowing forward. Helpful teachers that want the best for you.
- ***** Words of Wisdom for the Freshmen: Enjoy the time you have in high school. Be good to others-what goes around comes around. Put yourself out there. Take healthy risks.
- * Bio: Adam lives with his mom and dad (Sara & Todd), sisters (Anna and Laura) and his dog Fitzy. He will be attending a four-year university in the fall of 2019, majoring in business.

FVHCA- Ascension: Emily Fechter

Ascension Calumet Hospital Career Experience

On Wednesday, October 17, 2018, a group of seven freshman attended a career experience at the Ascension Calumet Hospital. It was a day filled with learning about different careers such as different types of therapies, pharmacists, and lab careers. Everyone learned about different skills, tips, and requirements for being in a specific career. I have heard great things from every other person who has gone to this career experience, and it definitely lived up to what they said.



First, we started off the day sitting down and we listened to a presentation about different types of therapies, including occupational and physical therapy. It was very interesting to see all of the schooling these people had to go through, in order to get to where they are now. But, they also talked about how to deal with broken bones, sprained ankles, and any part of the body that was hurt. There was even a trainer to talk to us about how she deals with injuries during any type of school sport. For our activity, we were able to make a splint out of our thumb, and even take it home! When we first got the splint, it looked like what was a piece of plastic, but when you put it in hot water it turns clear. The entire process was awesome, and they even explained how they make big splints for someone that is hurt. This entire presentation/activity was awesome, because we not only got to learn about the career hands on, but also learned a lot about what it takes to become a therapist. I think that anyone who is looking into the health field should go to this career experience, because it is very helpful. Overall, this was a great start!

Next, we sat down and listened to a presentation about pharmacists. It was very informational because we learned a lot about how long schooling is, what the daily life of a pharmacist is, and how to deal with any type of patient. There are



many different types of jobs like making the medication for a patient, diagnosing medications for patients, examining what a patient has. This presentation was very well planned out and presented, and the activities that we did with it was amazing. We had to sort "pills" (which were actually candy) into a tray, and make sure we had the pills for the right days. Also, we had to make a mouthwash specifically for a patient. I also think that the hands on part of this was very well planned out. It also felt like we were actually a pharmacist, and it was great. Overall, this part was amazingly planned out and was very fun!

Finally, we listened to a presentation about lab careers. This was especially a very interesting career that we learned about. First, we found out about different types of cancerous cells, and what they look like in the body. Then, we talked about different ways of working in a lab. The presentation was very well planned out, and I thought that it was very informational.

But, it was awesome when we actually got to go in the lab and look at different ways they use the equipment. We also watched some of the lab workers work with blood. There was even a doctor that came in to show us how to get blood drawn. I think that this was one of the most interesting careers to learn about, because there is always something new to learn about/do. Overall, this was also very informational and was planned out amazingly!

The experience that we had going to that career experience yesterday was outstanding. Not only was it very informational, but the workers were super nice. We definitely recommend going to this career experience even if you aren't sure what career you want to do yet. It is very informational, and gives a lot of useful information about the requirements in a job.

NEWMA Award: Jon Larson

Jon Larson Named NEWMA Career Pathway Award Winner

Each year, the Northeast Wisconsin Manufacturing Alliance gives awards to manufacturers, schools, and educators who have had an impact on career education in Northeastern Wisconsin. This year, we are proud to announce that LCCPA's Engineering and Manufacturing teacher Jon Larson was the recipient of the Career Pathmaker Technology Education Teacher Award. Mr. Larson has been teaching at LCCPA for the past five years. He is responsible for teaching all of the LCCPA Engineering and Manufacturing students in Introduction to Engineering Design and Principles of Engineering. Through these course, students



learn the engineering design process, apply it to a variety of hands on projects, and begin mastering 3D modeling software



skills that can be applied to a wide variety of industries.Mr. Larson also has worked very hard to implement manufacturing curriculum that allows students to earn articulated credits through Fox Valley Technical College. Through the Machine Tool Jump Start Program, students can earn 3 credits for Measurement and Benchwork 1 and three more credits for Engine Lathe 1. In addition, Mr. Larson is rolling out a new Metals 3 course that allows students to earn one credit each for Print Reading, Weld Symbols, and GMAW 1.

Mr. Larson has not only increased opportunities in the classroom for LCCPA students, but he has served as mentor in helping shape student's career choices. Mr. Larson actively participates in LCCPA's career exploration program, accompanying students on a wide variety of experiences. He is able to connect what students see in the field to what they do in the classroom, allowing them to have the best information as they navigate their career pathway in pursuit of their personal mission. Mr. Larson is also the advisor to the school's chapter of SkillsUSA, which is a student organization that focuses on career and professional development. For all of these reasons, we are proud to have Mr. Larson on staff as he serves as a role model for our students to emulate. He is extremely deserving of the honor of receiving NEWMA's Career Pathmaker Technology Education Teacher Award.

Shadow Experience: Sam Schnuell



Orthopedic Sports Institute of the Fox Valley

In March of my sophomore year, I had the opportunity to shadow with Dr. Kuplic at the Orthopedic Sports Institute of the Fox Valley on two occasions. Dr. Kuplic and his entire staff were very welcoming and informative. On the first day of my shadow, I was able to follow Dr. Kuplic into his exam rooms, where I saw a variety of different patients and procedures, including Cortisone injections and the removal of stitches from postoperative patients. On the second day

of my shadow, I had the opportunity to shadow Dr. Kuplic's Nurse Practitioner, as he followed up with post-operative patients. Overall, this was an amazing learning experience in so many ways. From a medical standpoint, I learned so much about the functionality of the

human musculoskeletal system, along with the daily tasks and responsibilities of a doctor in a clinical setting. I also gained valuable life and communication skills by setting up this job shadow. I would encourage all of my classmates who are interested in expanding their knowledge about a



specific career to consider job shadowing. Throughout my junior year, I plan to organize more jobs shadows with several other professionals, including a pediatrician, a claims attorney, and a medical attorney, to gain insight into several other careers that I may be interested in pursuing in the future.

Upcoming Events:

Save the Date:

Partner Breakfast

April 18th

More information to come!

