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CAREER & TECHNICAL EDUCATION STUDENT OF THE MONTH

GABE COKER

"I STARTED WELDING AT THE BEGINNING OF MY JUNIOR YEAR. I DIDN'T KNOW MUCH ABOUT IT WHEN I FIRST STARTED. MY BROTHER TOLD ME I SHOULD TAKE THE CLASS TO WELD STUFF ON OUR CARS. WHEN I TRIED IT, I LOVED IT AND KNEW THAT IT'S WHAT I WANT TO DO AS MY CAREER. YOU NEVER STOP LEARNING WHEN IT COMES TO WELDING. I'VE LEARNED A LOT IN THIS CLASS EVER SINCE I STARTED. IF YOU ARE WILLING TO WORK AND GENUINELY TRY, MR. RUDZINSKY WILL TEACH YOU EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW. WELDING IS A GREAT PATH FOR PEOPLE WHO LOVE TO WORK WITH THEIR HANDS AND LIKE TO LEARN NEW SKILLS."

—GABE COKER

GABE IS BEING RECOGNIZED FOR HIS DEDICATION TO CAREER PREPAREDNESS THROUGH CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION.

- Gabe is a senior in the welding program where he is in his third course and has earned dual enrollment credits.
- He has also taken courses in the business program and the engineering program where he earned the Autodesk-Inventor credential.
- Gabe is already gaining work experience through his part-time job with Nibrock Cladded Plate and Pipe. He will graduate in December and plans to start his career as a travel welder.

