

# **PTECH Program**

A MODEL OF EMPLOYER-CONNECTED WORK-BASED LEARNING IN MULTIPLE INDUSTRIES

# What It Is

PTECH at Logansport High School is a "school within a school" that blends high school, college, and career preparation. In partnership with Ivy Tech Community College and IU Kokomo, students can earn up to 60 college credits while exploring high-demand fields such as advanced manufacturing, health sciences, construction trades, and education. Through strong industry partnerships, PTECH integrates real-world learning and mentorship into every stage of the student experience.

## What Students Do

Students solve real-world challenges during a dedicated class period. Their responsibilities evolve by grade level and project and include:

- · Collaborating with peers to tackle industry-defined problems
- · Presenting solutions to local employers and stakeholders
- Participating in site visits and receiving feedback from mentors

#### **EXPERIENCE SNAPSHOT**

#### School

Logansport High School



#### Location

Logansport, Indiana



### Industry

4 Different Industries



### **Participants**

**High School Students** 



### **VALUE FOR EMPLOYERS**

Work-based learning isn't just about giving

back—it's a strategic investment in your future workforce.

- Promote awareness of your industry
- Build a pipeline of career-ready talent
- Strengthen your company's community presence
- Lower hiring and onboarding costs
- Foster innovation by engaging young minds
- Improve long-term retention through early exposure

# **Industry Involvement**

Local industry partners support PTECH by mentoring students, defining real workplace challenges, and offering site visits and feedback. Their involvement ensures projects reflect current industry needs and helps students build relevant, career-ready skills.

# **How Employers Can Get Involved**

Whether you're interested in supporting an existing program like PTECH or launching your own work-based learning experience, Ascend Indiana can help. We provide:

- Program design and implementation support
- School and CTE center connections
- Access to funding and workforce partners

Discover how Ascend Indiana can support your business in launching or expanding work-based learning opportunities at www.ascendindiana.com.