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Academies in Action



JHS' students at a mock crime scene begin their investigation



NWHS students at the Academy Kick-off cheer on their peers



A junior in CHS' Audio/Video class edits a commercial's voiceover



A student ambassador helps an incoming student with their locker

Jeffersonville High School Highlights

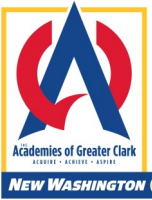


Students in the Radio/TV pathway welcomed their new teacher, Fred Cowgill, a former news anchor at WLKY. Fred also brought along his former colleague, Dave Callan, who most recently was an Emmy award-winning Production Manager at WDRB.

Sophomores and Juniors heard from renowned author, speaker, and career expert—Brooks Harper. Brooks helped bridge the connection between schools and employment with his relevant stories that explain how students “turn learning into earning.” Check out his book, [7 SKILLS TO MAKE MILLS](#), which takes a deeper dive into the concepts he covered during his phenomenal presentation.

Students in PLTW Biomed are well underway in their project-based learning class that covers all learning standards under a crime-scene investigation experience. In this class, students apply the skills that they learn to help piece together details that help solve the mystery around the “crime.”

New Washington High School Highlights



The staff started off the school year with training on Highly Effective Teaming, a concept that helps individuals see the value in other's unique skills & traits, as well as improving collaboration. From this, staff began to implement some of the learnings and activities with students in their academies during the first week of school.

To help build identity within each academy, all students and staff participated in their annual Academy Kick-Off event. This modern-day academic decathlon merges fun, competition, teamwork, teambuilding, and learning—which celebrates the unique characteristics and abilities that each individual brings to their specific academy.

Student ambassadors welcomed all students and families on campus for Back to School Night. The ambassadors prepared for this event over the summer and built upon the skills they've developed through their district-wide and school-based trainings.

Charlestown High School Highlights



Over the course of the summer, rising senior Mastoura Hassan and 3 classmates from Prosser earned third place at the [SkillsUSA National Conference](#) in the “Crime Scene Investigation” team event. This is the premier showcase of America's most highly skilled career and technical education students, and is also one of the largest hands-on workforce development events in the world.

Student ambassadors began their school-based training for the upcoming year and put their skills to the test as they facilitated Freshmen Orientation for incoming ninth grade students and their families. Ambassadors provided tours of the building, answered questions about programs & activities, and created a welcoming atmosphere that helped ease any first-day jitters.

Radio/TV pathway students hit the ground running in the first full week of school. Juniors have been editing commercial voiceovers, which can be heard here. Seniors in Sportscasting did their own Pirate Olympics for teambuilding purposes, as well as teaching the use of cameras to shoot multiple angles of an event.