

# JAG Post

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## JAG State Awards

### Introducing this year's 5 of 5

The "5 of 5" is awarded from the Indiana Department of Workforce Development and JAG National for success levels achieved as set by the JAG National Program for JAG participants in the area of graduation rates, full and part-time employment, and/or post-secondary education.

#### This year's 5 of 5 included the following schools:

Calumet New Tech High School-Sonya Johnson  
Hammond High School-Larry Keilman  
Knox Community High School-Mollie Dollahan  
Michigan City High School-Autumn Slaughter  
West Side Leadership Academy-Leslie Collins

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## JAG National Awards

### 5 of 5

JAG Indiana-fourth consecutive year!  
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**Congratulations!**



## JAG 2017-18 Multi-Year Outcomes

### JAG Indiana

**Graduation:** 95%

**Employment:** 75%

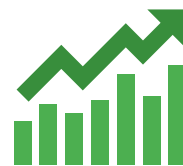
**Positive Outcomes\*:** 88%

**Full-time Employment:** 90%

**Full-time Positive Outcomes:** 75%

**Further Education:** 39%

**Unable to Contact:** 2%



### JAG Region One

**Total Graduates:** 218

**Graduation rate:** 96.04%

**Job Placement:** 65.60%

**Positive Outcomes\*:** 88.53%

**Full-time Placement:** 87.41%

**Full-time Job:** 65.73%

**Further Education:** 47%

**Unable to Contact:** 3.08%

*(Full-time Placement counts as full-time job, military, or the combination of post-secondary education & part-time employment.)*

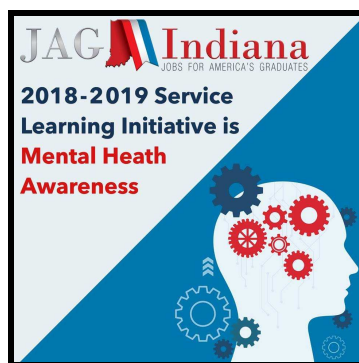
*\*Positive Outcomes are categories including part-time employment during school, full-time employment, military, or enrollment in post-secondary education.*

## 100% Graduation Rate

The following JAG Programs had 100% graduation rate for the 2017-18 school year: Wirt/Emerson Visual VPA, East Chicago Central High School 2, Knox Community High School, Hammond High School, & Calumet New Tech High School.



## 2018-19 Service Learning Initiative: Mental Health Awareness



Every year JAG has a service learning initiative. This year's initiative is to educate, serve, and engage the students and community about Mental Health Awareness. It is important that youth and the community are informed about the different types of mental illnesses as well as how to care for their own mental health. We're excited to tackle this important topic and shed a brighter light on it throughout the year.



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# JAG Region One New Staff Spotlight

*What caught your attention about the JAG Specialist position?*



**KATIE KESTER**

JAG Specialist  
River Forest High School

"It combined my background of social work with my passion for teaching and helping others overcome barriers. I look forward to helping the amazingly talented students reach their goals and become all they can be."



**ROSHANDA MOSS**

JAG Specialist  
River Forest High School 2

"I saw this position as an opportunity to help water the seeds of our youth. I look forward to watching the youth blossom into the leaders they are destined to be."



**LISABETH RIVERA**

JAG Specialist  
Hammond High School

"Its focus on education, teaching, and case management. I have always been passionate about working with youth, especially those who face greater obstacles."



**KRISTINA MARTIN**

JAG Specialist  
Merrillville High School

"I wanted to be able to get the youth prepared for their adulthood. I think so many times youth aren't knowledgeable of what is ahead and are unaware of the resources they can get and I want to be able to show them that."



**AUTUMN SLAUGHTER**

JAG Specialist  
Michigan City High School

"After reading the job description, I felt as though the position would allow me to do what I enjoy, which is serving and making a difference."



**BRANDY FORD**

JAG Specialist  
North Judson-San Pierre High School

"The idea of being able to do more than 'just teach' really caught my attention; I love that I can also mentor, guide, and make a positive impact on young lives."



**VERA ROBERT**

JAG Specialist | Theodore Roosevelt  
College & Career Academy

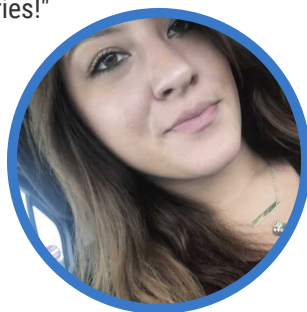
"The opportunity to shape the future of a generation one youth at a time! I look forward to developing the very best in each student and producing positive outcomes with great success stories!"



**MOLLIE DOLLAHAN**

JAG Specialist  
Knox Community High School

"I am so excited to be back with the JAG program. JAG is the best job readiness program around. I truly love helping students prepare for their futures."



**ALLISON VARELA**

JAG Specialist  
George Rogers Clark Middle/ High School

"I have always been passionate about education attainment for youth and helping individuals achieve their best possible self. As a JAG specialist, this role allows me to combine my skills as a social work case manager and my love for teaching all in one."