

Report to the Director

From

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Region 3

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I've been working with many students to help them access and complete scholarship, industry, and college applications, including working with the Bridge program students. Region 3 faculty and I had great interest in our recruitment seminars at Lee Academy and Penobscot Valley high schools, where students were very polite and attentive. We'll be visiting Schenck HS to wrap up this aspect of our marketing.

We are getting good online response to our website with students telling us of their desire to attend Region 3 programs. We are also receiving great response to our school recruiting and Sophomore Career Day activities with many students arranging for day visits to Region 3. Our Bring a Buddy to Region initiative has also produced excellent results. Our expanding homeschool contacts are producing very good results in those students visiting region 3.

Accuplacer tests: In February 2018, the Maine Community College System informed us that by spring 2019, all community colleges will stop using the Accuplacer and will be using the SAT as its assessment tool. The Next Gen Accuplacer will only be used for very specific purposes, such as for non-traditional students and as a second chance for direct high school graduates. I am told that at the recent annual Maine Counselors Assn. meeting, counselors voiced much discord regarding this decision. Beth Hatt attended a meeting on this topic at Northern Maine Community College on 4/13/18 and came back with information that may suggest that the Community College System might allow regional CTE's to continue Accuplacer testing under individual community college licenses. This is still a working issue.

An active shooter lockdown drill was conducted with all faculty and staff on 4/6/18 during a teacher workshop. The Lincoln PD found no outside access; all doors were locked. Several small issues were identified and are being resolved.

I have been working with Tom Baer, CDL Instructor, to contact business/industry leaders to ask them for help in finding a suitable Class B training vehicle. We've met with such companies as Dysarts, HO Bouchard, Treeline, Morse's Equipment, and Sargents.

Thank you for your support.

Respectively,

Hugh Porter