

Heartland Career Center

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I would like to welcome you to Heartland Career Center and the Precision Machining Program. Our first day of school is August 11th 2025. Please allow me to introduce myself and some of the details of our program.

My name is Jason Schlatter. I am the Precision Machining instructor. I am a third generation, card holding, Journeyman Tool and Die Maker. I have spent the last 34 years in industry doing tasks ranging from working on the shop floor producing parts and engineering and developing prototypes to traveling internationally troubleshooting special equipment. I have successfully managed workforces and trained apprentices for years. My various titles have included; Process Engineer, Head of Quality, Value Stream Manager, General manager as well as Owner and CEO of my own tool and die business. Through the years I have taught adults at both Anthis Career Center and Ivy Tech as well as conducted in house training. This is my second full year teaching vocationally. I have chosen to move from practitioner to educator with the hopes of positively impacting the next generation of tradesmen by sharing my passion for the skilled trades and setting up those pursuing this career path for success.

Here is a list of the expectations I will have for all in my workplace environment:

- All students to treat safety as their #1 priority.
- **No personal use of electronics.** All electronic devices, other than school issued devices, will be checked into the holder on the office wall.
- I expect students daily to have their school devices (**charged**), paper pads, pens, and a calculator. As well as their PPE (personal protective equipment) as required.
- **Safety glasses** and **hard close toed shoes (no slippers)** worn at all times in the lab.
- Come to class in proper work clothes. This includes **hard closed toe shoes, short sleeved shirt and full-length pants (no sweatshirt hoodies, no sweatpants or yoga pants)**. **Absolutely no jewelry** will be permitted. Hair must be kept at shoulder length.
- **No restroom breaks during class.** Only before class and during break.
- **No leaving the shop area** without my permission.
- I expect our shop to be kept clean daily.

*** A parent/student meeting will be held on Aug. 7th 6:30PM – 7:30PM in the class lab ***

Respectfully,

Jason Schlatter

Heartland Precision Machining Instructor

Text: (260) 452-5087 with your students name to arrange a call

Or email me at: jschlatter@hcc.k12.in.us