

Vocational Study Shows Progress

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FARMINGTON

The unemployment rate among Farmington District high school graduates participating in last year's vocational education program is 2.6 per cent, according to Earl Baumunk, director of the program.

This jobless rate is in contrast to a 25 per cent unemployment rate among

students throughout the state as reported by the Michigan Employment Commission.

Fifty per cent of last year's Farmington graduates who participated are presently employed, while more than 40 per cent are continuing their education, according to a recent survey taken by the school district.

OTHERS in the program either didn't answer the

survey or have chosen other endeavors besides working or continuing on to college.

Baumunk says even though this program, the goal of which is to give all students an opportunity to learn job entry skills before leaving school, has cut the unemployment rate to this low percentage, further steps will be taken in training students for vocational jobs.

The program, which in-

cludes training in office work, retailing, industrial education, nursing and home economics, also cooperates with the Southwest Oakland County Vocational Education Center and a federal needs program to obtain jobs for as many graduating seniors as is possible.

Baumunk reports that the goal of employing between 750 and 800 students by the end of the school year has already reached the halfway point in the first four months by finding jobs for more than 500 students.

With more than 1,600 students participating in this year's program, it is anticipated by Baumunk that it will be expanded to allow even more students to participate.

PROGRAMS HAVE already been added in auto mechanics and electrical and electronics training.

Baumunk has set for priority consideration the adoption of a retailing co-op coordinator, a machine shop and auto mechanics teacher at North Farmington, and occupational preparatory courses in cosmetology, food service and building trades.

At present, there is a cosmetology program for students in the special needs program through the cooperation of the Virginia Farrell Beauty Schools.

If adopted on a district basis, Farmington students will also work through the Virginia Farrell Schools.

Also under consideration is the addition of electricity and electronics equipment for North Farmington. Both Harrison and Farmington High Schools have this equipment.

To further develop the vocational program, an advisory committee will be formed to assist in planning, developing and evaluating the vocational program.

There will also be a placement service which will work through the Michigan Employment Security Commission, developed in 1972.

Baumunk is looking into the future of vocational training by suggesting that career development programs be implemented in both elementary and junior high school.

Letter To The Editor

Shame, Shame, Shame, Says Township Critic

EDITOR:

Shame, shame, shame. But "no one is to blame."

Oh, but yes, you're all to blame.

You citizens of Farmington Township on Kenwood St., our neighbors, allowing--no, permitting--a disgraceful situation on your street to exist, and to make matters worse, for your cheap convenience, you pump the water out onto Eight Mile where thousands of motorists are endangered in this freezing weather.

It's a pig-headed selfish thing you have done. A political football, everyone fiddles while Rome burns. And that goes for all those involved.

Those involved by residence on Kenwood with no more pride in themselves than what they have allowed themselves to live in, which is obvious, the Farmington Township police for not stopping the pumping of the water to thereby protect the lives of all people involved; the County Road Commission for simply being "not responsible," or should I say "irresponsible"; the state police for permitting the hazard on a highway; and the rest of us, all of us, for not demanding our local township board to stand up for us and do something for the sake of humanity instead of political gain.

I reported this problem to the local police in the township several weeks ago and asked what would happen if there was an accident due to the water flow and was told, "Oh, we'd take the report," and also stated he refused to discuss the Kenwood Street situation with me.

This noon, I reported the problem to the Farmington police and the Oakland County Road Commission and the state police. They said they'd see about it.

Latin Fiesta In Wood Creek

The sixth grade students in Wood Creek School concluded a month-long study of Latin America with a fiesta recently.

Committees of sixth graders planned songs, dances, decorations and food that were representative of Latin America.

A posada, the Mexican procession in which villagers go from house to house singing and seeking entry, a re-enactment of the Christmas story, was performed with sixth graders parading through the hall and calling at other rooms.

Tonight there has been an accident there. Ambulances. Pain. Fear. Damage. And the water is still flowing at this moment.

Well, folks, it should do all your hearts good to know how successful you've been doing nothing.

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Running from 9 a.m. to noon, the program is free of charge and is open to all youngsters between ages eight and 12.

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