



Sharing *Alumni Success Stories* for Student Inspiration, Guidance and Savvy

Inviting Alumni to allow their life journey to circle back through Union City.

Our highest level objective is instilling confidence in today's students that they can leave Union City schools fully prepared to compete with students from larger schools in larger communities...even prestige private schools.

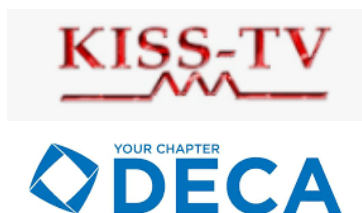
- ◆ There is no better means of assurance than hearing the stories of alumni who have lived it.
- ◆ Alumni Success Stories can also suggest specific career paths and inspire deeper exploration of opportunity and preparation.
- ◆ Students can hear, directly, the guiding principles of attitude and behavior that can lead to success in career launch and growth.
- ◆ And we can show that life balance is a fundamental element of career success and that happiness and success can be found in a broad range of pursuits not necessarily aimed at financial reward.

Steps for Alumni Participants

You will complete an online form for basic information. You will be "interviewed" for a short video that introduces you personally and covers key elements of your story and shared wisdom. You can provide any additional background information.

The content will be compiled into an online package that will be indexed for review based on categories of interest, but we will separately compile the nuggets of life wisdom that are universal truths in happiness and success. We also anticipate compilation into a book form after enough individual stories have been shared.

If you will engage at higher levels: We will discuss possibilities such as an expanded video and your personal involvement with the Career Center related to program/curriculum ideas, personal lectures or hands-on participation with current KISS or DECA students.



If you were a KISS or DECA kid, your story may resonate strongly with today's "KIDS." Prior leaders John Schmidt and Rick Clear (KISS) and Tom Johnson (DECA) are serving as advisors to this project, as are current leaders Becky Kuehl of DECA and Brian Merrill of KISS.

The stories of other graduates are welcomed as well.



About Union City's Vision Corner Career Center .

The initial activity is a downtown location for the school's DECA and KISS-TV programs, raising the level of hand-on career-focused education. Both are state leaders in student run enterprise.

Vision Corner includes active career guidance aimed at helping students identify and prepare for their next life stage, whether continuing education or joining the workforce.