



## **Bay Port High School Receives Award from UA 400 Pipe Trades, Mechanical Contractors Association and Miller Electric**

**Kaukauna, WI (October 22, 2020)** — [Bay Port High School](#) was recognized by UA 400 Pipe Trades, the [Mechanical Contractors Association \(MCA\)](#) and Miller Electric on October 19, 2020. The virtual presentation was held at the UA 400 Training Center in Kaukauna. The Excellence in Technical Education Award is presented to a local high school in Northeast Wisconsin for its commitment to technical education and participation in the [UA 400 Youth Apprenticeship Program](#). The group plans to honor more high schools in 2021 with each school receiving a Miller Wire Feed Welder courtesy of [Miller Electric](#).

"UA 400, our contractor partners at the MCA, and Miller electric all see the importance of promoting the piping industry to our future generations of workers," Martin said. "By collaborating, we get the opportunity to meet with the students and instructors and share with them all the opportunities a career in the pipe trades can afford them. Also, establishing strong relationships with our area schools lets us continue to provide qualified Local 400 Youth Apprenticeship candidates to our MCA partners any of which, progress right into a registered apprenticeship shortly after their high school graduation."

The criteria for a high school to receive this award is based on their effective approaches to stimulating student learning with more classes, offering challenging work-based learning experiences, and increasing student postsecondary and career prospects. Bay Port High School has participated in the UA 400 Youth Apprenticeship Program and currently has six students in the program.

"Developing a partnership with the UA 400 Pipe Trades and their Youth Apprenticeship Program has opened the doors for our students to receive work-based education from the very best contractors and educators at the very best facilities to teach these trades," said Adam Cochart, welding instructor at Bay Port High School. "With a pipeline of former Bay Port students excelling within the UA 400, we have more and more interest in getting into the trades and working towards their apprenticeship within the Local UA 400 Pipe Trades."



The UA 400 Youth Apprenticeship is a program designed to allow students entering or currently in their senior year of high school to get an early start on a career path in the pipe trades. The program provides classroom and on-the-job training in pipefitting, plumbing, pipe fabrication and HVAC/R service.

The 15-month Youth Apprenticeship Program introduces' students to the core skills necessary to be productive and succeed in the workplace and offers the opportunity for hands-on learning from UA certified instructors. Contractors also gain insight into the quality and reliability of students in the program, making this a low-risk highly attractive method for recruitment and employment.

For information on the UA 400 Youth Apprenticeship Program, contact [djkloida@ua400.org](mailto:djkloida@ua400.org) or 920.462.0412.

#### **About UA 400 Pipe Trades**

The UA 400 Pipe Trades, headquartered in Kaukauna, Wisconsin with an office in Fond du Lac, is comprised of approximately 2,300 members serving eighteen counties in Northeast Wisconsin. The organization is affiliated with the United Association of Plumber and Pipefitters with an estimated 345,000 membership throughout the United States and Canada. The group's mission is to be the preferred choice for industries, employers and workers specializing in plumbing, pipefitting, HVACR service and pipe fabrication as well as training for its members and qualified manpower to their 95 signatory contractors. The group's membership serves eighteen counties in Northeast Wisconsin including Adams, Brown, Calumet, Dodge, Door, Fond du Lac, Green Lake, Kewaunee, Manitowoc, Marinette, Menomonee, Oconto, Outagamie, Shawano, Sheboygan, Waupaca, Waushara and Winnebago. The UA 400 takes pride in their partnerships and contributions to serve local communities with organizations such as Cerebral Palsy Telethon, Special Olympics, Rebuilding Together, Heat's On Program, Harbor House and Salvation Army. For more information, visit UA 400 and follow us on Facebook, Instagram and YouTube.

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