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IVY TECH COMMUNITY COLLEGE HOSTS GRADUATION FOR SBCRC RESIDENTS

SOUTH BEND, IN- Recently, the Indiana Department of Correction joined its partner, Ivy Tech Community College South Bend campus, to celebrate the first graduating cohort of reentry residents who have earned either their National Institute of Metalworking Skills (NIMS) certifications during a Workplace Computerized Numerical Control (CNC) training class or Nationally recognized Welding Certifications. As a part of Gov. Holcomb’s Next Level Agenda for 2018, these programs train men at South Bend Community Re-Entry Facility (SBCRC) to operate mills, lathes and welders with the ultimate
goal of aligning them with gainful employment in the industry while housed at SBCRC and upon release. These graduates will be placed in high demand jobs in the area.

Ivy Tech CNC instructor Gregory Witter stated, “Personal growth, professional growth and acquiring new skills are necessary steps toward success. Together, they empower our students to achieve their highest potential. The professional and personal development of our students has been amazing and life-changing to witness as an instructor. Watching them succeed is the ultimate reward – that’s what it is all about.”

Warden, Charles Bowen stated, “Thanks to all involved, these men now have the skills to succeed in a high demand profession. “

Warden with graduating cohort

In class session

CNC Participants

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SBCRC Mission:
As a model of public safety, the SBCRC promotes the successful reintegration of lawful, self-sufficient, and productive citizens into the community through the thoughtful application of dynamic supervision, experienced rehabilitative programming; and by providing opportunities for its residents to demonstrate strong work ethic and civic duty to foster productive partnerships with employers and citizens in our local communities.

SBCRC is a 172 bed Reentry facility where men are preparing to return to their communities and transition into society at the completion of their prison sentence. The facility regularly releases men who are employed full time in the community in which they will reside.

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