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### **42 Johnson County residents are summer Ivy Tech-Columbus graduates**

Forty-two residents of Johnson County became graduates of Ivy Tech Community College-Columbus following the summer 2009 term.

Graduates receiving an associate of applied science are Jeffrey Brown, Erica Case, Maleah Hester (*cum laude*), Kelly Nichols (*cum laude*), Lesley Polazkowj (*cum laude*), Suzanne Sandlin, Jami Sears (*magna cum laude*), Brittany Shirley, Donald Smith (*cum laude*), and Trudy Sturgeon.

Graduates receiving an associate of science are Tara Abram, Denise DeWitt (*cum laude*), Rebecca Esham (*magna cum laude*), Melissa Harrell (*cum laude*), Mark Hash (*summa cum laude*), Crystal Hussung, Sylvia Lane (*magna cum laude*), Grace Recasner (*cum laude*), Doris Reed (*cum laude*), Douglas Slade (*cum laude*), Erica Vondielingen (*magna cum laude*), and Beatrice Wagoner.

Graduates receiving a technical certificate are Shonna Beougher (*cum laude*), Rhonda Bippus, Shirley Bush, Denise DeWitt (*cum laude*), Rita Dillow (*magna cum laude*), Cierra Hubbard, Omer Lollar, Michael Loomis (*magna cum laude*), April Marksbarry (*magna cum laude*), Carrie McKee, Jason Meador, Lisa Mobley, Lesley Polazkowj (*cum laude*), Andria Rathfon (*cum laude*), Deanna Russell (*cum laude*), Cynthia Spicer, April Straugh (*cum laude*), Deseree Troy, Dusty Whitaker, and Chasity York (*magna cum laude*).

The term *summa cum laude* indicates a 4.0 grade point average; *magna cum laude* indicates a grade point average between 3.75 and 3.99; *cum laude* indicates a grade point average between 3.50 and 3.74.

### **About Ivy Tech Community College**

Ivy Tech Community College is the state's largest public post-secondary institution and the nation's largest singly-accredited statewide community college system with more than 130,000 students enrolled annually. Ivy Tech has campuses throughout Indiana. It serves as the state's engine of workforce development, offering affordable degree programs and training that are aligned with the needs of its community along with courses and programs that transfer to other colleges and universities in Indiana. It is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission and a member of the North Central Association.

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