

# INFORMATION AND INSIGHT

from a SWIN Workforce Board Members

**Drew Gerth, Principal of Warrick Pathways and Career Center**  
**David St. Clair, Director of Career, Technical & Adult Education**  
**Daniela Vidal, Chancellor of Ivy Tech Community College Evansville**

Southwest Indiana Workforce Board Members are all from different backgrounds throughout the region. Three board members serve in education and bring great value to the mission of SWIN Workforce.



Drew Gerth is the Principal at Warrick Pathways and Career Center and is in his seventh year serving on the SWIN Workforce Board. Drew enjoys being part of the workforce board for several reasons, but the connections that he makes with others is especially important to him.

"I like to see the breadth of all the different things that happen in our region, as the opportunities for the kids and for people in general to find employment which is very good for everybody," Drew shares.

Drew sees the benefits that the workforce board can be to students and youth across southwest Indiana. He feels as though educators have much to learn about the different ways the workforce board can serve and offer help.

Drew enjoys the JAG program and the out of school youth programs that SWIN Workforce offers.

"A lot of times, students don't have support systems they need, I think it's good that some of the programs can help pick them up," he shares.

David St. Clair serves as the director of Career, Technical and Adult Education at the Southern Indiana Career and Technical Center. David has been part of the SWIN Workforce Board for eight years.

Students at SICTC learn and get hands on experience during high school to prepare them for the workforce.



He sees the impact that SWIN Workforce makes on area adults in the same way that his school serves students.

"I just don't think people have a really good understanding of the services that SWIN Workforce provides to help guide people out of the situation that they're in and to really improve their outlook," David shares.

Daniela Vidal serves as the Chancellor of Ivy Tech Community College in Evansville and has been a member of SWIN Workforce for three years.

"I've always been very grateful and appreciative of the great work that the board does for our region. There's always been a great strategic mindset for the whole region," Daniela shares.

Daniela believes that the mission and vision of Ivy Tech aligns with SWIN Workforce's mission, so it's an important responsibility to partner together to be most effective.

"I'm very passionate for what I call our hidden population, those who are in the fringes, the immigrants, rural, incarcerated that are trying to find their way back into being productive members of society," Daniela shares.

Daniela hopes that the community changes their perspective and sees SWIN Workforce as a place for opportunity and growth.

