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### **Heritage Trail Correctional Facility Celebrated Inaugural CNC Graduation**

LEBONON, IN – Yesterday, the Indiana Department of Correction joined its partner, Vincennes University, to celebrate the first graduating cohort of male offenders who have earned their National Institute of Metalworking Skills (NIMS) certifications during a Workplace Computerized Numerical Control (CNC) training class. As a part of Gov. Holcomb’s Next Level Agenda for 2018, this program trains men at Heritage Trail Correctional Facility to operate mills and lathes with the ultimate goal of aligning them with gainful employment in the industry upon release. These graduates will be placed in high demand jobs in the area.

When asked what this means to him graduate Jack Jones stated, “I don’t think you can put the value into words. Graduating and having help finding a job is invaluable for someone who is trying to fit back into a world where nothing comes for free.”



**\* Heritage Trail Warden Donald Emerson, Vice President of Vincennes David Tucker, and President of Vincennes University Dr. Charles Johnson presented certificates to recent graduates.**



**\* Heritage Trail Warden Donald Emerson, Vice President of Vincennes University David Tucker, President of Vincennes University Dr. Charles Johnson and Student Speaker Ryan Adkins spoke at the ceremony which graduated 23 students.**



**\*Graduates listening to the speakers at Vincennes University's Gene Haas Training and Education Center during the inaugural ceremony.**

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