

NOT JUST PLAYIN' WITH FIRE

In one of the most dangerous classes at CDC, Lina Mondragon (11) explains how she completes a welding project



STEP 1 "At the beginning, first you need to get all of your gear ready, your fire resisting gear because it's pretty dangerous, its life hazardous, and need to be protected because you can either get burnt, explode or go blind. You need to have your gear well prepared." Lina Mondragon (11) said.

STEP 2 "After you have your gear set up you need to make sure you have all of your materials for your project, take measures from the machine and set up properly to just overall being in shape and ready to go." Mondragon said.

STEP 3 "After your machine is set up depending on what type of welding, whether its arc welding or TIG welding, the most common one is arc welding. You set up your machine, put a rod which actually does the welding onto a bit that holds the rod. Strike your rod with the machine. It sets up a fire and a spark almost like a sparkler on the fourth of July that's pretty much how it looks. The rod is what is being melted which turns into what holds together or glues together any specific metal project that you're doing." Mondragon said.

STEP 4 "After every welding project you pretty much have to clean it with special tools like a metal brush, called a tomahawk. After that it's just basically doing it right with special techniques that welders usually use and just doing it properly without burning through your material or having yourself get injured." w said.

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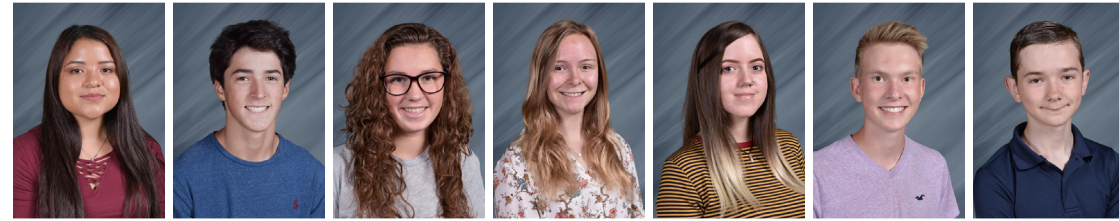
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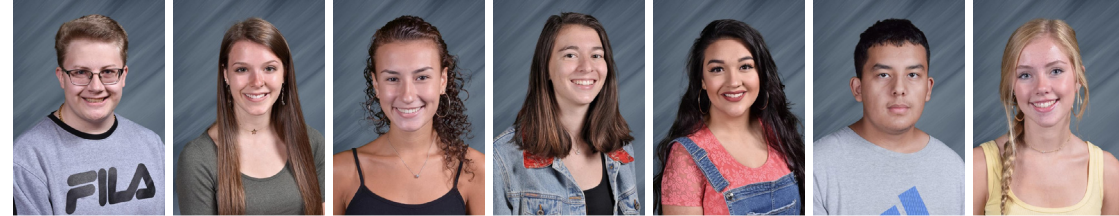
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