

# *Kayla M. Liscumb*

Emerging Technologies Program  
Bay Arenac ISD Career Center  
Meridian High School

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Kayla credits her English teacher for helping her to focus on what she would like to pursue for a career. A research paper assignment helped her cement her choice of web developer/web page designer. She has participated in both the hardware side and the software side of the program, an option that few students pursue.



Although some of her friends wondered why she enrolled in a program with mostly male students, Kayla found a way to build relationships and make friends with her classmates. She overcame the initial rude comments and disapproving looks and quickly demonstrated that she could hold her own among those in the class.

Kayla is a volunteer at the Humane Society, participates in sideline cheer, is on the Prom Committee, and works part time at a fast food restaurant. She has received perfect attendance awards (despite a 45 minute commute to the Career Center), and placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in Web Page Design at Business Professionals of America. She has earned Certified Internet Webmaster (CIW) certifications in Networking Foundations, Internet Business, and Site Foundations Development: all industry recognized credentials.

Kayla plans to attend Delta College, where she will participate in the 3+ 1 program with Northwood University. She would like to own her own web design business.