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**\*\*\* [STUDENTS, FACULTY] AVAILABLE FOR INTERVIEWS \*\*\***

**[INSERT ORGANIZATION] Announces [INSERT NUMBER] High School Completion Program Students to Graduate on [INSERT DATE] AT [INSERT TIME]**

*Program Serves as Pathway to College, Allowing Former High School Non-Completers to Further Their Career-Focused Education*

**What:** [INSERT ORGANIZATION] will hold a graduation ceremony for [INSERT NUMBER] high school completion program students, with [INSERT NUMBER] moving forward to earn their [COLLEGE/CAREER TRAINING] degrees after graduation.

 These students have earned their diplomas through Penn Foster’s accredited high school completion program, designed for anyone who wants to start college or career training but does not have the proper credentials—i.e., a high school diploma or equivalent. The Penn Foster High School Completion Program allows participants to achieve a high school diploma through a 21-credit curriculum delivered online or in a blended learning environment that combines online and classroom instruction. [INSERT ADDITIONAL DETAILS ABOUT PROGRAM]

**When:** [INSERT DATE]

 [INSERT TIME]

**Where:** [INSERT LOCATION]

**Who:** The following spokespeople are available for interviews:

 [INSERT SPOKEPEOPLE]

**Why:** This innovative collaboration between [INSERT ORGANIZATION] and Penn Foster allows more students to earn an accredited high school diploma so that they can pursue postsecondary education. This program relies on a mixed learning environment of independent study and in-classroom learning, which allows students to take ownership in the process of achieving their educational goals and functioning productively in the working world, in further academic settings, and in their personal lives.

Penn Foster is one of the largest high schools in United States with more than 60,000 students. It is licensed by the Pennsylvania State Board of Private Licensed Schools, regionally accredited by the Commission on Secondary Schools of the Middle States Association (CSS-MSA) and the Distance Education Accrediting Commission (DEAC).

In 2014, over 20,000 students graduated with a Penn Foster High School Diploma.

For more information, please visit [INSERT ORGANIZATION WEBSITE OR LANDING PAGE].

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**About Penn Foster**

Founded in 1890, Penn Foster has been a leader in career-focused distance and hybrid learning for 125 years through its high school, career school and college. Through direct enrollment by students as well as partnerships with schools and businesses, more than 13 million people have taken Penn Foster-enabled courses to further their education and better position them for life success. Today, Penn Foster enrolls more than 100,000 new students each year in programs designed to address the gap in middle skilled careers. Penn Foster combines affordable career-oriented education with a flexible delivery model ranging from pure play online to onsite hybrid learning solutions. For more information, visit [www.pennfoster.edu](http://www.pennfoster.edu)

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