



Michael Keith is a 2018 graduate of Freedom Area High School and was a member of the Varsity Football and Track & Field teams. He was also a member of the Drumline for the “Big Red” Marching Band. Michael was a member of the Robotics Club and Physics Club. He was also named the Homecoming King and Prom King his senior year.

Michael graduated from Community College of Beaver County in 2020 with an Associate’s Degree in Processing Technology. He was awarded the Shell Scholarship while attending CCBC.

Before he graduated from CCBC, Michael was hired by Shell to work at the Cracker Plant as it was constructed in Potter Township. During his studies at CCBC, he drafted procedures on the commissioning of the hydrocarbon separation and recovery unit.

Michael is currently employed by Shell as a Control Room Operator and a Step Up PTL in the Slurry Loop Reactor Unit. His responsibilities include the safe operation of the unit including proactive monitoring of equipment. Michael must verify work is safe for maintenance crews to repair equipment through locking out hazardous energy and permit verification when working as an operator. At times, he is called to step up and lead his shift when a supervisor calls off.

Michael really enjoyed the small class sizes at Freedom because the teachers could really get to know you and your learning style. Michael states “Freedom is a great school with many amazing teachers that truly care about nurturing students into adults that form their own opinions. Many of the teachers push discussions over lectures to help let students think for themselves.”