

MVTHS classes teaching CPR/first aid

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MT. VERNON — Students in Child Care I, II classes at Mt. Vernon Township High School are learning CPR/first aid — with a little help from the Mt. Vernon Fire Department.

“As the director of TLC Preschool, I feel that it is important for students to be prepared to save a child’s life if the situation ever presents itself,” faculty member Brittany Boldt said. “Our number one goal at TLC is to provide our children with individuals who are properly

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Samantha Fletcher, a senior at Mt. Vernon Township High School, is among 100 students in Child Care I and II earning CPR/first aid certification. Mt. Vernon Fire Department Lt. Donny Hayes is providing the instruction in faculty member Brittany Boldt’s classroom.

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trained.”

MVFD Lt. Donny Hayes is providing the instruction through the Public Education and Inspection Office.

“One of the programs we provide for the public is CPR/first aid,” said Hayes. “Quite a few organizations have asked us to come in and teach or give an

overview of how to help someone.”

At the completion of the training, nearly 100 MVTHS students will have earned a certification which will also help them apply and obtain a position in the child care/education field, according to Boldt.

“If nothing else, Mr. Hayes will have taught these students how to save someone’s life and how to stay calm in scary situations,” said Boldt.

A Heartsaver CPR class certification consists of six hours instruction, according to Hayes.

“A lot of it depends on the size of the group,” Hayes explained. “There is a lot of hands-on instruction so it may take longer with larger groups.”

Hayes is completing the first week of instruction and said he is scheduled through January.

“There is a chance these students may see a person

choking at some point in their lives,” Hayes noted. “It’s good to have this type of information and knowledge.”

With the first week of instruction near completion, Hayes said the students have made progress with the task at hand.

“They have been very receptive, polite. The students have listened and been attentive and are asking good questions. It’s been very enjoyable.”

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