

By Brenda Carr

Hatch Valley High School keeps in touch with community by reading the Sentinel every week.

At HVHS, the Success 101 students are quiet and attentive; they read through the pages of the Hatch Valley Sentinel. They make comments on articles and pictures of their friends. It's a way of connecting the classroom with the real, working world.

The instructor, Brenda Carr, took journalism in college, and later she worked as a graphics artist building newspaper ads. She believes it is important to expose students to the world of print media. The Sentinel provides a perfect fit.

Sometimes, the students complete scavenger hunts; they must scour the paper for specific queries provided by Ms. Carr. Sometimes, they read the paper just for edification or just the joy of reading. Both Ms. Carr and the students are thankful for The Sentinel's generosity. The paper has allowed them to use their old editions for educational purposes. At the end of the lessons, the students are allowed to take the newspapers home so their parents can read them as well.

Success 101 is a freshmen elective designed to guide students into Career Choices. Ms. Carr enjoys seeing the students discover *who they are*, *what they want* and *how to get it*. This class helps them put their energy into their future vision that will lead them to a productive and successful lifestyle. The curriculum used is Career Choices by Mindy Bingham and Sandy Stryker. Ms. Carr is appreciative that the administration sees the value of investing in our freshmen and provides them with the tools they will need to be successful in high school and beyond.

