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Pictured are, from left, Matt Dunn, Noah Fountain and Chazier Allen, the first graduates of the First Gear education program sponsored by Classic Motor Museum of St. Michaels. First Gear is designed to help local students gain experience restoring and maintaining antique cars.

Three graduate from First Gear program

ST. MICHAELS — The Classic Motor Museum of St. Michaels is proud to announce the high school graduation of its first three students in the museum's First Gear program.

First Gear is designed to help local students gain experience restoring and maintaining antique cars.

Two of the students, Chazier Allen and Noah Fountain, graduated from Easton High School on June 3. The third student, Matt Dunn graduated from St. Michaels High School on June 4. All three young men are pursuing motor-related futures.

Allen will attend the Chesapeake College Center for Transportation Training in Wye Mills this fall. His

goal is to drive big rigs cross country. He's got a job for the summer and is looking forward to starting his training in the Fall.

Fountain is working at Toyota and plans to complete Toyota's certification training to be a master mechanic after his training and apprenticeship. He said he's excited about his plans since Toyota is a worldwide company and he'd like to live in other parts of the U.S. eventually.

Dunn has been accepted to the mechanical engineering program at Iowa State University. He's excited about where his degree will take him. Before he heads off to Iowa this fall, Matt plans to work locally

this summer and enjoy some favorite foods that won't be available in ISU Cyclone country.

CMM has watched all three of these young men grow from shy and awkward boys to confident young men willing to speak up respectfully with adults and for each other, and even do some public speaking for the First Gear program at CMM events.

CMM has connected the students with scholarship opportunities and assisted with the application process. The Classic Motor Museum of St. Michaels will be awarding scholarships fitting each student's education path and wishes them well in all their endeavors.