



High School Division

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This Month's Highlights

Principal

- **Health Sciences Academy**

The Health Sciences Academies incorporated team teaching in order to train all of their students in the morning and afternoon sessions on CPR, Medical Terminology, HIPPA, Blood Borne Pathogens, and First Aid. The programs that participated include: Dental Assisting, Health Careers, Health Careers Practicum, Introduction to Medical Assisting, Introduction to Veterinary Assisting and Biomedical Career.



- **Advisory Board Dinner**

The annual Advisory Board Dinner was held on Wednesday, September 14, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. The staff was joined by their advisory members for dinner which was prepared by the Culinary Arts program. The dinner served as a means of saying thank you to each of the members for their invested commitment and efforts. In addition, the dinner also provided an opportunity for the staff to fulfill one of the two meetings that are required. Several of the advisory committees met either prior to or after the dinner. Approximately 100 advisory members were in attendance along with staff.

- **Parent Teacher Conferences**

The Parent Teacher Conferences were held from 2:30 to 7 p.m. on Wednesday, September 20. Teachers were asked to contact parents via a letter, phone, or email. A school reach message was also sent out on Tuesday, September 13 & Friday, September 16 to encourage parents to schedule a meeting with their child's instructor.

- **Faculty Meeting**

Faculty was asked to select one of the three goals that they had developed for the 2011-2012 school year and complete the action plan for that goal. An explanation on how to complete the Goal Action Plan was also provided. Tours for Central Nine are to begin during the month of October and continue in to November. Therefore, staff was asked to review their program's brochures in order to update and make any necessary modifications.

- **Principals Meeting**

All principals met on Wednesday, October 5. Lunch was prepared by our "To the Nines" restaurant, was served from 11:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Principals met from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.. The items on the agenda included: Consolidation of PLTW Programs, New Program at Central Nine, Tours/Rush Month, Student of the Month, Promotion Trailer, Safe Halloween, Relay for Life, College Night/Murray & Associates, SRI Assessment, Counselor (s) Evaluation Tool, Curriculum and Career Pathways, and Program Sequences. Minutes from the meeting can be found in Blue Sky.

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Curriculum and Instruction

The 2011-12 Character Education Program at Central Nine Career Center is underway. The program began in September with the Character trait "Honor" in recognition of the 10th anniversary of September 11th. **Honor** means, "Respecting others because of the higher authorities they represent".

The 2011-12 Curriculum Mapping school-wide initiative is off to a good start. The teachers had an opportunity to attend one workshop on how to map their program curriculum during the month of September. The teachers have been afforded another work session during the month of October in order to continue developing their curriculum map. The teachers have also been encouraged to use the current drafts of the IDOE Career Pathway curriculum frameworks as guides in developing their curriculum maps.

The Phase I & II Career Pathway Programs developed by Indiana Department of Education are currently available online and the state has requested teachers to pilot the curriculum frameworks. Central Nine has four programs that will serve as pilots this year. IDOE is also requesting pathway teachers to provide feedback on the development of the by completing an online survey at <http://www.doe.in.gov/pathways>.

The **Literacy initiative** at Central Nine is underway with since students have now completed their Student Reading Inventory (SRI) Assessment. The data has been reviewed by our English teacher and students who score in the Basic and Below Basic reading levels will have the opportunity to participate in remediation activities specific to their program area. These students will engage in literacy building activities that are geared towards developing their reading comprehension and literacy skills.

Guidance

- **Murray & Associates/Career Day**

On September 29 a representative from Murray & Associates met with students regarding the importance of financial aid and how they can benefit from participating in their program. All seniors were called to the Commons to view a PowerPoint designed specifically for them. The remaining 10th/11th grade students were called to the Commons according to their enrolled program. A follow up parent meeting was held from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. Approximately 65 people were in attendance. Last year students were awarded nearly \$500,000.00. During the day on October 6th students also had the opportunity to visit four different post-secondary institutions. The students completed a registration form on the internet to determine which presentation to attend based off of the organization's degrees offered in and the students' area of interest. Representatives from IVY Tech, Lincoln Tech, DeVry, Vincennes, Air Force, Navy, Marines, National Guard, Chef's Academy, Fortis, ITT Technical Institute, IUPUI, Ohio Technical College, Kaplan, The Art Institute, Indiana Business College, Wyo Tech, Johnson and Wales, & Harrison College were in attendance.

- **ASVAB Interpretation**

One of the key components to taking the ASVAB is the score interpretation session, as it explains in depth what the score actually means. The state program coordinator of ASVAB, Nathaniel Grandberry, conducted interpretation to all C9 during the month of September.

- **Tours**

Perry Meridian Middle School students toured the facility on Tuesday, October 4. There were approximately 100 students for the 9:30 a.m. session and as well as 100 students for the 12:00 p.m. session.

- **Award**

Erin Dietrich attended the ACTE conference on Friday, September 30th and Saturday, October 1. At the conference she was recognized as the top counselor who promotes and encourages Career and Technical Education.

