

# **High School Division**

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## **This Month's Highlights**

## Principal

## • Student Birthdays

On Tuesday, January 31, Central Nine celebrated student birthdays. The culinary program baked chocolate cookies for all students who have had a birthday during the month of January. The cookies were distributed to the students during their passing period in the commons area.

#### Women in the Workforce

Central Nine Career Center along with Duke Energy sponsored the first WWJF: Women in the Workforce Job Fair at C9 on 01-27-12. There were 9 different industries/careers represented from professional women including: Architect, Veterinarian, Firefighter, Police Officer, Information Technology, Teacher, Car Sales associate, Human Resource representative from a Machine Shop, and a youth career coach from DWD. A total of 67 female freshman and sophomore students attended the job fair. Out of the 67 participants, 33 of the students requested more information about attending Central Nine Career Center. Lunch was prepared by the "To the Nines" restaurant for everyone participating. Central Nine provided the transportation for the Southport students attending, while the other schools provided their own.

Participating schools were Franklin Community High School, Indian Creek High School, Greenwood High School, Perry Meridian High School, Southport High School, and Whiteland Community High School.

#### Faculty Meeting

There were two staff meetings held in January. The first meeting was held January 3. Items on the agenda included: Indian Creek Early release, Sophomore Presentations, student return dates, grade books, senior student meetings, High Schools That Work, CTE Curriculum, Literacy Enrichment in CTE, Character Education & a Special Education workshop. This day also served as an in-service and teacher work-time.

The second meeting was held January 19. Items on the agenda included: Relay for Life, IPAD Cart is Available, Update on Copies, Lunch - Doors Locked, Attrition, Welcome Letters, Leave Request Forms, Sub Contact, Grades, Lesson Plans, Goals, Professional Development Plans - Teacher License Renewals, HSTW Student Assessment and Teacher Survey, Professional Development Workshops, & FAFSA.

#### Principals Meeting

A principals meeting was held on Wednesday, February 1. The "To the Nines" restaurant served the principals' lunch from 11:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. for those in attendance. Principals met from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.. The items on the agenda included: Approve Minutes, Student of the Month, Relay for Life, Program Videos, Cell Phone Numbers, Introduction to Pharmacy, Pathways & End of Pathway Assessments.

The participating schools principals in attendance were: Indian Creek, Beech Grove, Southport, Greenwood, Perry Meridian, & Center Grove.

## This Month's Highlights - cont.

## Curriculum and Instruction

#### • The 2011-12 Character Education Program

The 2011-12 Character Education Program Character Trait for January is <u>Punctuality</u>. Punctuality means, "Showing esteem for others by doing the right thing at the right time." People who exhibit the character trait of Punctuality tend to: Keep Time; Value Time; Value People; and Value Projects. They tend to begin early, keep track of time, prioritize their day, respect other's time, and finish on time. ".

## • The Spring 2012 Semester of the Curriculum Mapping Initiative

The Spring 2012 Semester of the Curriculum Mapping Initiative started with a faculty in-service in January. The in-service provided teachers with training and information regarding IDOE's Transition to the Common Core Standards Initiative. The teachers were also provided with information about IDOE's Road Map in implementing the common core state standards. The IDOE has published information about the initiative at:

http://www2.doe.in.gov/achievement/curriculum/resources-implementing-common-core-state-standards

#### Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Career (PARCC)

The teachers learned about the Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Career (PARCC) assessment that is being developed and how it will impact career technical education programs. They were encouraged to explore the resources that are currently available on the PARCC website for more information about the nation-wide project. <a href="http://www2.doe.in.gov/achievement/assessment/partnership-assessment-readiness-college-and-careers-parcc">http://www2.doe.in.gov/achievement/assessment/partnership-assessment-readiness-college-and-careers-parcc</a> The teachers are participating in curriculum mapping workshops in order to continue their work on developing the second semester of their curriculum map. Ms. Donaldson attended two Common Core Standards workshops in January to learn more about the state's initiatives in implementing the Common Core Standards and prepare for the PARCC assessments.

#### • Curriculum Directors Meeting

A curriculum directors meeting was held on Friday, January 20. The items on the agenda included: Career Pathway Models, Career Pathway Dual Credit Courses, Technical Honors Diploma, Forecast for Curriculum Development, Virtual Academic Courses.

The participating schools curriculum directors in attendance were: Indian Creek, Beech Grove, Perry Township, Greenwood, & Whitleland.

#### Guidance

#### January Counselor's Meeting

Erin hosted the January Counselor's meeting. At the meeting Erin discussed the master enrollment form that each school needs to complete and e-mail to Erin on March 2nd. Erin also asked counselors to notify her of any students who have met the requirements for Technical Honors Diploma. Erin also discussed and distributed a list of students interested in Online at C9. This topic is going to be revisited at our February meeting as Erin starts looking at student test scores and talking individually with students about the program. The guidance office also hosted Murray and Associates. This group helps families understand financial aid and how to save for college.

#### • Greenwood 10<sup>th</sup> Grade Presentations

The guidance office also hosted a group of students from Whiteland Middle and Franklin Community High school for a tour of Central Nine.

## Harmony Workshop

Erin and Karin attended a scheduling workshop hosted by Harmony.

#### PLACE Students

The guidance office is hosting Center Grove Middle School North for the PLACE program. There were over 75 students interested in the PLACE program this year so we have decided to host CGMSN for two weeks so that all of the students interested can attend and learn more about Central Nine. The first week of P.L.A.C.E is January 30 - February 3rd and the second week is planned for February 13-17th.

## Scheduling Nights

Also, this past month Erin has attended scheduling nights at Perry Meridian and Center Grove. More scheduling nights scheduled for the month of February.

#### Counselors Meeting

A counselors meeting was held on Friday, February 3. The items on the agenda included: Pre-Pharmacy, Online @ C9, Student Cell #'s, Career Pathways Workshop, Women in the Workforce & Health Career Practicum. All participating schools were in attendance.