

# **High School Division**

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## **This Month's Highlights**

## Principal

## 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.

## • Faculty Meeting

The High School Division presented current concerns or relevant information for faculty. The key topics included: Attendance (over fall breaks), Crisis Management (updates for binders), Technology (means of communication), Incident Reports (procedure), Intervention (prevent students from failing), Safe Halloween (new routine), Promotional Trailer Events (looking for volunteers), and Harmony (procedure for lesson plans, accessing observation, & viewing standards).

## Principals, Guidance, and Curriculum Directors Meeting

All principals, guidance and curriculum directors met on Wednesday, October 3. Finger food/snacks were prepared for everyone in attendance and was served while introductions were being conducted. The meeting was held in the LGI from 11 a.m. to 1:20 p.m. A representative from Project Lead the Way and the Department of Education provided updates on current issues and trends affiliated with Career and Technical Education. The items on the agenda included: Welcome and Introductions, High School Updates, Project Lead the Way (Overview, Impact/Benefits, College and Career Opportunities, Strategies for Implementing), Department of Education (Update, Pathways, End of Course Assessments, Technical Honors Diploma) College and Career Pathway Planning and CTE course Inventory Planning. The participating school's principals in attendance were: Whiteland, Franklin Central, Franklin Community, Indian Creek, Southport, Perry Meridian, Greenwood Beech Grove, & Center Grove.

#### Birthday Celebrations

September student and staff birthdays were recognized for last week. A carrot cake birthday cake was prepared by the Chef Lopez's students for all of the staff. Cookies were prepared by Chef Traub's students and distributed to all students with September birthdays during their passing period.

## IVY Tech Outstanding Career Center Partner

Mr. Wilkison (principal/assistant director) and Mrs. Dietrich (guidance counselor) attended the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual High School Partner Champions Breakfast. The event took place on the IVY Tech Campus at Illinois Fall Creek Center on Friday, September 28, 2012. Central Nine received the award for Outstanding Career Center Partner.

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#### Curriculum and Instruction

## • Online at C9 Program

The Online at C9 Program is off to a great start! The program has 11 participants that are students of Indian Creek HS (5), Franklin Central HS (4), Center Grove HS (1), and Beech Grove HS (1). Ms. Karin Graves has been meeting with the 11 participating students since they started their Ivy Tech Community College academic courses. The students are doing a good job in their classes and have even expressed a desire to work ahead on their assignments and projects. Ms. Graves will continue to work with the students throughout the semester and will begin scheduling their Ivy Tech courses for the spring 2013 semester.

## Early College Program Development Team

The Early College Program Development Team met on September 12<sup>th</sup> to discuss the necessary components of the action plan for implementing the program in 2014. The team discussed the Ivy Tech Community College Transfer General Education Core courses that will required for program participants. The team also reviewed the potential student populations in order to identify/develop a student profile for potential program participants. The team is scheduled to meet on October 22<sup>nd</sup>.

#### Curriculum Director's Team

The Curriculum Director's Team had its first meeting on Friday, September 28<sup>th</sup>. The district attendees included: Helen Crawford (Greenwood), Mr. Collins (Beech Grove), Mr. Bohannon (MSD Perry), Jan Henderson (Franklin Comm), Mr. Koers and Mrs. Martha Johnson (MSD Franklin), Shannon Fritz (Clark Pleasant), and Mr. Cline (N-H-J). Dr. Carlotta Cooperider, Indiana State PARCC Implementation Coordinator conducted a presentation on the development and implementation of the new PARCC assessment. She discussed the new changes in the expectations for all students.

#### Guidance

## 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

The week of September 17<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> Central Nine hosted Perry Meridian Middle and Southport Middle Schools students. During the two weeks there were approximately 500 middle school students who toured Central Nine and learned what opportunities are available to them in high school.

## Award

Erin Dietrich attended the Ivy Tech Counselor's breakfast on Friday September 28<sup>th</sup>. At the breakfast, Ivy Tech recognized a number of school partners. Central Nine earned "Outstanding Career Center Partner".