



High School Division

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This Month's Highlights

Curriculum and Instruction

Staffing:

Bea Northcott is the new Work Ethic Certification Specialist.

Evaluation Committee:

A team of teachers and administrators continues to meet to examine whether or not our evaluation tool needs to be modified to focus more on instruction. The following items are being analyzed:

- Multiple evaluators or one evaluator throughout the year?
- Assigning numbers after each observation (like we currently do) or waiting until the end of the year?
- Focus only on Domains 1 and 2 (instruction) until the end of the year, or use current format?
- Expand the indicators in Domains 1 and 2 or keep them the same?
- Length of observations
- To provide or not provide observation windows to teachers

We will draft a final proposal by next week and begin sharing our ideas with teachers during Cluster Trainings.

Work Ethic Certification Advisory Council:

A committee of teachers, community members, and business partners will meet on Wednesday, February 8 to plan for implementation of the Work Ethic Certification at Central Nine next year. Our first meeting will focus on identifying the traits that business are looking for in an employee. The second meeting, on March 8, will focus on incentives employers will offer to those who receive the certification.

Future Ready:

Future Ready Schools is a free, bold effort to maximize digital learning opportunities and help school districts move quickly toward preparing students for success in college, a career, and citizenship. The major focus is making sure students have opportunities to practice 21st Century Skills—collaboration, communication, critical thinking, and creativity. A culture survey was sent to the staff in the month of January. The Tech Team will review the results and create a plan for becoming Future Ready.

Tech Tuesday:

Several teachers attended the first Tech Tuesday session on January 24 to learn about Nearpod. Many have incorporated this effective tool in their classrooms with much success. To celebrate Digital Learning month and CTE month, we will offer a Tech Tuesday session every week during the month of February.

Evaluation:

The final round of observations continue.

Skills USA:

Several students participated in and placed in the Skills USA Regionals this past weekend. Those who placed will move on to the state competition, which will be held in April.

Dean of Students

Evaluation:

Completing final round of observations.

Student Services:

Working with student services, home school counselors and principals to enhance means of student communication in order to promote the positive aspects of C9 to students.

PBIS:

Chair of the PBIS (Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports) focus group. Focus group is looking at ways to increase the attendance rate through positive student interventions.

Student Services

Marketing/Recruiting:

Corinna and Melanie continue to meet with local middle schools and high schools recruiting for C9.

Administration – Student Services Office:

Corinna and Melanie are continuing to meet in tandem with Mr. Preda and other Central Nine instructors to work through student issues. Melanie, Corinna and Mr. Preda continue to work on withdrawing students with excessive absences. Melanie and Corinna will continue the onboarding and training process.

Supportive Services:

Corinna and Melanie continue to provide support services to the student population regarding family crisis, financial hardship, etc. They continue to mentor and foster a positive relationship with the College and Career position.