



High School Division

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This Month's Highlights

Principal

- **Student Birthdays**

On Monday, March 26, Central Nine celebrated student birthdays. The culinary program baked chocolate chip 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.

- **Career and Technical Student Organizations**

Several of Central Nine students participated in CTSO during the month of March. An overview of the CTSO results and upcoming events is as follows:

- **Skills USA**

During March nearly a hundred students from Central Nine competed in the Regional contest for Skills was held. There are now 32 students competing in the State Skills contest that is held April 13 & 14. The programs participating at the state conference are Culinary (6 students), Diesel (4 students), Precision Machine (2 students), Dental Assisting (7 students), Electronics (4 students), Building Trades (4 students) & Information Technology (5 students).

- **HOSA**

The Bio-Medical, Veterinary Assisting, Health Sciences and Medical Assisting programs will be competing at the HOSA state contest. There are 46 students who will be participating from April 9 to the 11.

- **FFA**

The FFA chapter had 3 students compete in leadership contest in District 8. The students who participated were Justin Ferrell (Whiteland), Austin Heath (Whiteland), and Paul Janniche (Perry Meridian). Paul placed 3rd in Horticulture, Landscape Demo

- **Vincennes Statewide Precision**

Those participating in the Vincennes Statewide Precision Machining Contest on Saturday March 17 were Brandon Green (Perry), Cody Hart (Whiteland), Tyler Byers (Southport), Matthew Moore (Whiteland). - Matt won second place in the Advanced Division, which included a thousand dollar scholarship to Vincennes University and a thousand dollars worth of Machinist tools and toolbox.

- **Faculty Meeting**

The faculty meeting was held March 15. Items on the agenda included: Colonial Life Insurance & Accidental Insurance, Capital Projects, Upcoming Event (spring break, awards day, plant day sale, faculty meetings, relay for life), Student of the Month, Computer Lab Scheduling, Thank You to Staff, Online at C9, Textbook/Workbook Information, V.U. Faculty Application Deadline, IVY Tech Faculty Application, and Enrollment.

- **Principals Meeting**

A principals meeting was held on Wednesday, February 29. Lunch was available for the principals to order from "To the Nines" restaurant and principals ate from 11-11:30 a.m.. The principals meeting began at 11:30 a.m. and ended at 1 p.m.. The items on the agenda included: Last Months Minutes, Student Accomplishments (Awards Day, Student of the Month, FFA Results, Vincennes Precision Machining Results, HOSA & Skills), CTE Course Inventories, Contracted Programs, School Visitations, Brochure Display, C9 Online & Enrollment. The participating school's principals in attendance were: Beech Grove, Indian Creek, Southport, Greenwood, Perry Meridian, Whiteland & Center Grove.

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Curriculum and Instruction

The 2011-12 Character Education Program Character Trait for March is **Thoroughness**. **Thoroughness** means, "Knowing what factors will diminish the effectiveness of my work or words if neglected." People who exhibit the character trait of Thoroughness tend to: **Be Prepared** by scheduling time to plan and set scheduled goals; **Be Organized** by writing down critical factors to accomplishing an objective; **Be Refined** by learning from the best people in the business; **Verify** by rechecking the validity of their information and sources; and **Be Complete** by keeping the goal and objectives in mind to ensure they have achieved them.

The 2012-13 Online @ C9 Program completed its first round of COMPASS testing. The first group of applicants will attend a registration session with an Ivy Tech Community College representative during the school day on Tuesday, April 10th. A parent information/orientation session will be held at Central Nine at 6:00pm on Tuesday, April 10th. Parents will be provided with additional information about the guidelines and expectations of the Online at C9 Program.

The Spring 2012 Semester of the Curriculum Mapping Initiative is drawing to a close where all CTE teachers will submit their completed curriculum maps for the first year of their career education program. The teachers have participated in professional development and individualized work sessions in order to complete their maps. The curriculum maps are designed to identify the state CTE and Literacy standards, National standards (if applicable), Performance Skills, 21st Century Skills, and Dual Credit courses that are provided in their program.

Guidance

- **Monthly Counselor's Meeting**

Karin hosted the March Counselor's meeting. The counselors were given the Skills USA State Contest Winners and encouraged to also recognize the winners. Preliminary enrollment numbers were shared and updates on programs that have low enrollment numbers. Counselors gave feedback on the enrollment process as well as gave input on how to work collaboratively with C9. Counselors are in need of information to help students with program choices and would like a brochure rack at each school.

Feedback was given on the Pathway meeting, with the overall consensus that the meeting was good and provided better clarification.

- **Promotional Activities**

Participated in the Center Grove Middle School Orientation on March 9, 2012.

- **C9 On LINE**

The Guidance Office and Curriculum Director met with potential students at Indian Creek High School and Center Grove High School to give a brief orientation. Addressed the Compass testing that will need to be administered so that students can meet the eligibility criteria. Will have a second Compass testing April 10-12.

- **Career and Placement**

Students in the Health Careers, Medical Assisting, and Bio-medical participated on a field trip to the Indiana National Guard. Students were given a tour of the health clinic, participated in a vehicle demonstration, and had a discussion panel with medical experts.

Ms. Graves conducted several career and placement activities. These activities include: a session on resume writing to the Landscaping/Horticulture Technology students, visit with Vincennes/Purdue University Aviation Technology Center to learn about aviation careers and a tour of the AAR maintenance facility, one-on-one meetings with seniors who are unsure of plans after completing high school, and a meeting with the Paul Mitchell "the school" teaching coach (Shelly Wagner) and the 13 Central Nine Cosmetology students.