

Career Center Chronicles

An update from the Career Center



A Note from Mr. Franks

Greetings from the Porter County Career Center!

Though there are many benefits to social media for students, there are also many drawbacks. Currently, the drawbacks appear to be winning. There is a trend affecting schools in our area and across the country which has students making inappropriate choices and posting about it on social media. This is not something we condone. The following link is a resource for parents to use to foster conversations about appropriate social media use.

<https://smartsocial.com/post/using-social-media-responsibly>

Additionally, please be aware if a student makes inappropriate choices while at the Career Center, their behaviors are subject to consequences based upon on student handbook. For your reference, the handbook is linked to this newsletter.



Important Dates

[PCCTC Campus Calendar](#)

October 8: End of Grading Period 1

October 11 & 12: NO SCHOOL-Fall Break

We are aware there are many Fall Break dates throughout the month of October. Students are encouraged to attend their CTE classes at the Career Center during their Fall Break, but they are not required. Additionally, many school corporations will not provide transportation to the Career Center during a Fall Break. We do ask, however, if a student is going to be absent, a parent communicates with the Career Center regarding the absence.

Relationships

October's SEL focus is Relationships. Our programs will be conducting activities throughout the month surrounding this topic. It would be helpful to engage your student in a conversation about the importance of building relationships and how it impacts the work place.



DIPG Fundraiser

When

Friday, Oct. 8th, 8am-2pm

Where

1005 Franklin Street Valparaiso, IN

More information

An average of 250 children are diagnosed per year with 0% chance of survival. Less than 4% of the government research dollars goes to Pediatric Cancers.

DIPG, or **diffuse intrinsic pontine glioma**, is a type of brain tumor found in an area of the brainstem. The name diffuse intrinsic pontine glioma describes how the tumor grows, where it is found, and what kinds of cells give rise to the tumor.

Students who pay only \$10 (With all proceeds going to pediatric/DIPG cancer research) would get to tie-dye 2 shirts, one for themselves and one for a pediatric cancer patient. We are making arrangements for Indiana 105 to be here that day. We are going to have the Video Productions class video record the event so we can get it on social media and out to the community.

ACT/SAT information

Some universities are no longer demanding an ACT or an SAT assessment for admissions purposes.

Below are dates and deadlines for students who need the ACT or SAT. A current senior who plans on pursuing traditional postsecondary education should take ACT or SAT as soon as possible. Even though his or her college may not require it, having test scores on file could help with scholarships and placement. It is wise to take these assessments while a student is still actively studying English, math, and in some cases, science.

[ACT Testing information](#)

[SAT Testing information](#)



Women in STEM Program Explorer

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Ivy Tech Valparaiso Campus Room B114

Tuesday, 10/12, 5-7 pm

Why?

- To acquaint area women with lucrative career opportunities in Technology fields in Northwest Indiana
- To offer an empowering message to all women seeking careers
- To show cool live demos of technology processes in action

What?

- Keynote speaker – Adela Ortega, the 'Locomotive Lady'
- 'Why Women Succeed in STEM'
- Program Explorer Session – find out about lucrative career fields
- Live demos of emerging technology in Machine Tool, Design, Welding, AART, Energy and more!

From the Desk of Mrs. Ellis

October is Anti-Bullying month.

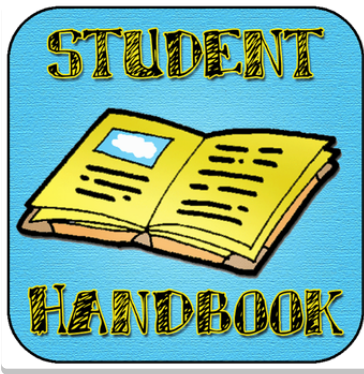
- Bullying affects all youth, including those who are bullied, those who bully others, and those who witness bullying. The [effects of bullying](#) may continue into adulthood.
- There is not a single profile of a young person involved in bullying. Youth who bully can be either well connected socially or marginalized, and may be bullied by others as well. Similarly, those who are bullied sometimes bully others.
- Solutions to bullying are not simple. [Bullying prevention](#) approaches that show the most promise confront the problem from many angles. They involve the entire school community—students, families, administrators, teachers, and staff such as bus drivers, nurses, cafeteria and front office staff—in creating a culture of respect. Zero tolerance and expulsion are not effective approaches.
- Bystanders, or those who see bullying, can make a huge difference when they intervene on behalf of someone being bullied.
- Studies also have shown that adults can help prevent bullying by talking to children about bullying, encouraging them to do what they love, modeling kindness and respect, and seeking help.



Resource <https://www.stopbullying.gov/>

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Porter County Career Center

If you have an emergency, please contact 911 or the local police. You can also connect with the Suicide Helpline at 1-800-273-8255 or text HOME to 741741.



Student Handbook

Below is a link to a digital version of the PCCTC Student Handbook. Students will be held to the expectations outlined in this document.

[Student Handbook](#)

Socials

Do you follow us on social media? Why not!?!

If you click on the links below, you can follow us on whatever platform you would like.



- [Porter County Career Center Facebook](#)
- [PCTV Facebook](#)
- [Porter County Career Center Twitter](#)
- [PCTV Twitter](#)
- [Video Productions YouTube: PCTV News](#)
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