

Board of Education Update

Michael Knott
High School Director
October 7, 2021

Staff Recognition

We would once again like to extend a big thank you to Gail Gillett for all of her hard work in collecting, analyzing, and submitting the correct data for our Ohio School Report card. Gail continuously is talking with teachers, students, and other community members to find out where our former students are working (along with all of the other EMIS information she goes through as part of her daily duties).

Upcoming Events

October 22 -- End of 1st Quarter
November 3-4 -- Parent-Teacher Conferences

Report of Supervisory Area Progress, Current Initiatives

Mike Knott - Director

On Tuesday October 5, we will induct new members into the National Technical Honor Society here at Vantage. These students have earned at least a 3.5 GPA, attended school at least 95% of the time, and been positive examples for themselves and our school. They have earned our congratulations, and will continue to volunteer and represent Vantage in a positive light for many years to come. There were 71 eligible students this year.

Ted Verhoff – Trade and Industry Supervisor

So far this school year there have been 6 business presentations given to various students, as well as one college presentation. The businesses are very impressed with the students and are making contact with them once they have filled out an application.

The Construction Equipment Technology program is in the process of doing concrete work on the Vantage campus. They are doing a great job, while at the same time saving the school district quite a bit of money.

Paula VanTilburg – Business and Service Supervisor

Vantage once again hosted the Business Professionals of America Regional Officer Elections & Executive Council Meeting on Monday, September 27th for Region 16 which included Vantage, Benjamin Logan, Graham, Ohio High Point, Riverside, Tri-Star, Upper Scioto Valley, and Apollo. Three students from each school have the opportunity to run for an office. The BPA Advisors are Larry Regedanz and Jill DeWert.

Vantage Preschool is officially open for the school year. Preschoolers and high school students are adjusting well. Preschool students are eating in the Commons this year with the high school students, which has been awesome.

Advantage Salon will have its soft open October 12th. Seniors are working hard practicing their skills in preparation for clients.

Health Technology students are in our local schools performing hearing and vision screenings on various days this fall as well as completing them in our building.

Network Systems has officially opened their Help Desk to allow students to be able to assist with customers' personal computer and phone issues. Students are also currently getting shadowing experiences with our Technology Department here at Vantage.

Tonya Temple – Student Services Supervisor

Student Services staff members have been working with students to ensure they are in the programs and academic courses that they prefer.

We are also working with our associate school counselors to schedule 8th Grade Tours. These are taking place November 8th- 12th. Because 8th grade tours were cancelled last year, we are also working on a week to bring 9th graders to Vantage for tours. Sophomore homeschool visits are currently being scheduled and will begin after Christmas break.

We are working with students who will need to be retested in any of the End of Course Tests. These tests will be administered the week of December 6th. Student Services are also working with the homeschool counselors to identify senior students that are at risk of not meeting the End of Course Points requirements and determining what career-focused activities and readiness seals would best show the competency to graduate.

College Night is scheduled for Wednesday, September 29th from 6-7:30pm at the Lincolnview Community Center.

The English and Math departments have tested all students with the STAR Reading and Math Inventories, which identifies the reading and math levels of each student. Each student will then be assigned goals to reach by the end of the year. School wide, all teachers are encouraging students to read in their free time in order to reach this goal as well as incorporating reading and math skills into their daily lessons.

Adult Education Director's Report

Oct. 7th, 2021 BOE Meeting

HEALTH CAREERS MOVE

- Working with Luke Compton and Nursing Staff to make accommodations as needed to labs, classrooms and offices in the Thomas Edison Building.
- Miriam Owens is working on signage.
- PNP to RN Transitions Program has been getting a lot of attention and we have not started advertising yet. Will submit to COE for approval as soon as our accreditation is finalized so we can start advertising. They are hoping to accommodate 30 students for the initial class.

SHORT TERM CERTIFICATE GRANT PROGRAM

- Any program considered as in demand and less than 900 clock hours that can be completed in under 12 mos.
- Programs can be Pell eligible.
- Maximum award is \$2,000 per short-term certificate. Covers tuition and fees only.
- Students may receive up to 3 awards for different short-term certificates.
- Application submitted September 17, 2021.
- Award Decision November 2021.
- Funds Disbursed December 2021 – January 2022.

BRAUN INDUSTRY CUSTOMIZED TRAINING

- Phase I Electrical Troubleshooting class
 - 3 – 4 hours sessions
 - 4 students per class
 - 5 classes completed to date, one class in process, and 4 more being discussed.
 - Braun Administration has indicated this course will be ongoing course.
- Phase 2 Electrical Troubleshooting class being planned.
 - Terri Schmenk & Marty Katterheinrich are working on the curriculum.
 - Braun will provide an ambulance for Terri Schmenk to create common electrical issues that the students will need to find and use the skills they have learned to fix.
- Train the Trainer Class
 - Braun will determine what individuals they would like to use as trainers.
 - Terri Schmenk & Marty Katterheinrich are creating the course and will teach the chosen individuals how to properly train coworkers.

EMT PROGRAM

- Co-contracting with Four County Career Center for classes at Spirit Medical Transport in Greenville, OH through the end of the year.
- Jan 2022 Vantage will be sole provider of the EMT courses for Spirit.
- EMT Basic classes will be held for the following:
 - 10/25/21 K&P Medical Transport
 - 11/9/21 Vantage Career Center Class - Tues/Thurs evenings from 6-10.
 - 12/21 Perry Port Jefferson Fire Department, Piqua OH. – date TBD.
 - Hoping to hold an EMR class in January.