Season's greetings! The Career Ready PA team wishes you and your families a safe and happy season. Since our last newsletter, the team has offered virtual boot camps, and we plan to offer more in 2021. Also, the Career Ready PA Coalition webpage is ready for you to use to access stakeholder opportunities, and other resources.

Don't forget that our Career Ready PA regional liaisons are here to support you with training and resources. If you don't know your region, you can find it here. Take time to share your news and photos at #CareerReadyPA on Twitter, or email us at pacareerready@iu1.org so that we can include it in our next newsletter.

- Resources are available at SAS for Career Readiness here.
- Join our Career Readiness Learning Community here. (PDE SAS login is required.)
- Career Ready PA is PDE's source for guidance and resources.
Ask the Advisor Webinar Updates

In late fall, the Career Ready PA team hosted PDE’s Career Readiness Advisor, Laura Fridirici, in two webinars with updates on the Career Ready PA Coalition, classroom resources, and the new guidance on Reporting and Identifying Industry Credentials for Non-CTE students. There were over 700 educators who asked over 150 questions. Related resources are included on PDE’s Career Ready PA webpage.

Career Ready PA Region Spotlight

Region 5 - Spotlight on Manufacturing

Region 5 (Tioga, Bradford, Susquehanna, Sullivan, Wyoming counties)

Career Ready Region 5 liaison, Brooke Beiter, co-hosted Spotlight on Manufacturing on October 7, 2020, in conjunction with the Pennsylvania College of Technology. Parents and students were invited to hear about the misconceptions in manufacturing and learn more about the high-level skills needed and the demand of advanced manufacturing jobs, while providing information on advanced manufacturing career pathways. Companies represented included: Overhead Door, First Quality, Kellogg’s, Jersey Shore Steel, Lycoming Engine, Ralph S. Roberts Company, and West Pharmaceutical. There were over 85 participants, and three lucky winners of Apple watches.

Career Ready PA Coalition

The Pennsylvania Department of Education’s Career Ready PA Coalition held a virtual kick-off in five sessions from late October to mid-December. The sessions brought together “champions” from stakeholder forums held last October in each of the 10 Career Ready PA regions. Participants shared best practices and strategies to increase awareness of career awareness and work-based learning opportunities between education and stakeholders to advance career pathways for all learners. Stakeholders were represented from K-12 educators, postsecondary, STEM, Workforce, Employers, Military, Community/Non-Profit, and State Agencies and Libraries. Learn more about the Career Ready PA Coalition by accessing the Coalition website, which will connect you to your regional liaison, stakeholders, and training opportunities.

Upcoming Trainings and Events

Career Ready Boot Camps: Career Ready Classroom to Workforce Connection
The Pennsylvania Department of Education (PDE) is pleased to announce a boot camp (Act 48) designed to assist districts in meeting the statewide postsecondary attainment 2025 goal of 60 percent of Pennsylvanians with a postsecondary credential, certificate, or degree. Training will include the following:

- Career Readiness and Workforce in PA (Career Education and Work Standards)
- Industry-Based Learning
- Stakeholder and Workforce Partnerships
- Classroom and Workforce Alignment
- Supporting Resources

The goal of this training is the development of an action plan that utilizes stakeholder and workforce partnerships to expand the classroom to career connections and build school wide momentum for career readiness. Team members will be poised to provide support in the implementation of the action plan.

Your Career Ready Regional Liaison will send an email out in early 2021 with registration information.

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**Financial Literacy Student Lunch and Learns**

[Troutwood](#) is offering free Financial Literacy Lunch and Learns for all grades. Troutwood Live is a weekly series that teaches students how to prepare and plan for their financial future. Each week they will present a finance term and a feature company from the S&P 500. This week's feature company is Pittsburgh local, PPG industries. Join live every Wednesday on Youtube at 12:00 EST. Link [Here](#). The sessions are also recorded and can be found [here](#).

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**Defined Careers Webinar**

Learn more about [Defined Careers](#) during a webinar on January 11 at 11am.

Defined Careers™ is a comprehensive career exploration solution that offers a personalized career assessment in combination with relevant hands-on projects across all career pathways.

[Register here](#).

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**Remake Learning**

REMAKE LEARNING DAYS are going statewide in April and May. For more information, go to [https://remakelearningdays.org/](https://remakelearningdays.org/).

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**PDE Resources**
Find your Career Ready Regional Liaison

Guidance and Resources for Schools During COVID-19:

COVID-19 Compensatory Resources – Special Education:

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