

Title I
January PSCC Agenda
1-16-2024

Rescheduled 1-18-24 Due to inclement weather



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- PAC Review
 - Mindy Payne – Thank you!

CTE offers 16 programs that prepare PPS high school students for careers in high demand fields that are crucial to our infrastructure as a society.

Think about the jobs that have been designated as essential.

- Healthcare
- First Responders
- Food Service
- Childcare
- Information Technology
- Banking
- Business
- Construction
- Internet Management
- Entertainment Technology
- Heating/Cooling
- Machining
- Automobile Repair
- Personal Care Services

The Career and Technical Education programs offered in Pittsburgh Public Schools (PPS) can help prepare high school students for one of these careers (higher skill level/higher pay). PPS students can enroll in CTE beginning in 10th grade. Through these programs, students learn 21st century job skills, earn industry certifications and college credits.

CTE Features:



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- Hands-on/minds-on learning
- Interdisciplinary learning
- Authentic problem solving
- Industry partnerships
- Early career experiences

CTE Outcomes:

- Increased graduation rates
- Career and college readiness
- Equity for underserved students
- Student motivation and engagement
- Academic and technical proficiency
- Creativity, critical thinking, problem-solving, communication

CTE Advantages:

- **CTE programs allow students to earn cost-free industry certifications.** Certifications provide students with a competitive advantage over their job-seeking peers after graduation. CTE offers the skills training needed to pass certification exams and covers the costs associated with the exam, saving parents thousands of dollars.
- **CTE programs give students the opportunity to connect with potential employers.** Students meet industry professionals who can help with their future career goals. They also participate in work-based learning activities and field trips.
- **CTE is a College Prep program.** CTE programs not only allow students to earn college credits while in high school through dual enrollment, but can reduce the overall cost of post-secondary education because students can earn college credits for the CTE coursework completed in high school.
- **CTE is STEM.** CTE programs incorporate science, technology, engineering and mathematics, using an interdisciplinary approach.
- **CTE also provides students with the 21st Century transferable skills.** These vital skills are necessary both in the workforce and in



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post-secondary education (communication, critical thinking, computer skills, teamwork etc.).

- Envoy Program
 - Student Envoys are a selected group of students who serve as leaders at each school.
 - These students actively participate in trainings and then use what they'd learned to teach other students.

- Fundraising
 - Pepperoni Roll Sale-Delivery January 22, 2024
 - We sold 168 packs and raised \$924 toward student activities.
 - Chipotle Night February 7, 2024 from 4-8
 - Please invite your friends and neighbors.
 - Concord gets 33% of the sales.

- Upcoming Events
 - Family Movie Night – January 24, 2024 (5-7pm)
 - Watching Elemental
 - Movie is free, but snacks are for sale.
 - Valentine's Dance – February 12, 2027

- Volunteer opportunities
 - Help needed selling concessions on movie night.
 - Help needed selling concessions and decorating for Valentine's Dance.

- Presentation by community partner Casa San Jose



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- (Due to weather and scheduling, Casa San Jose will reschedule this presentation)
- Parent Concerns – Late school cancelations
 - This is at a district level, please fill out 2024-2025 parent survey.