

# CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION

## 7-12 Secondary Newsletter

### Greetings from the Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment Office!

This newsletter is to share important information and keep you informed. Our department will send a newsletter each semester but we also welcome questions at any time. Curriculum & Instruction wishes your family the best as we move toward the winter holiday season!

We have been busy training teachers, developing curriculum, and working collaboratively to address student needs. The past two school years of disrupted learning continue to impact students. We are focused on increased support in reading and math at all grade levels. In this newsletter, you will learn about some of our initiatives to support teachers and students.

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### GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS



Parents, don't forget to have conversations with your students early and often about what classes they will take and when. School counselors are great sources of information for guidance and understanding options available to your student. The new program of studies will be available in February. It will have a complete list of courses offered and pathways for students.

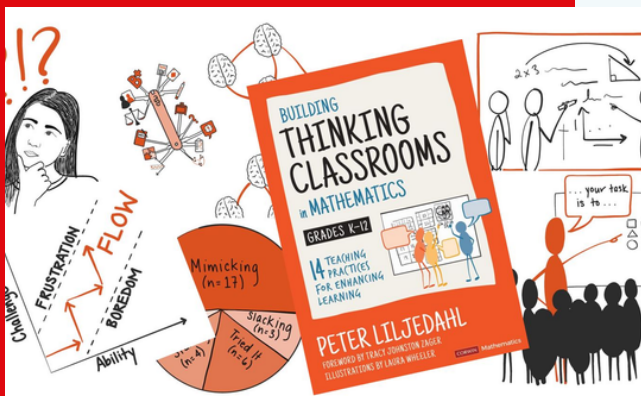
### PARENT TIP:

Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA®). Completing & submitting the FAFSA is free and easier than ever. It gives you access to the largest source of financial aid to pay for college or career school.

Many states and colleges use your FAFSA information to determine your eligibility for state and school aid, and some private financial aid providers may use your FAFSA information to determine whether you qualify for their aid.

### Building Thinking Classrooms in Mathematics:

Wayne High School and Weisenborn math teachers joined teachers from across the district to learn math strategies' to use in their classrooms. "If we want our students to think, we need to give them something to think about—something that will not only require thinking but also encourage thinking."



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### Career Tech

Is for EVERY STUDENT!

#### What is Career Tech?

- Career Tech inspires students to identify paths to future success and provides students opportunities to demonstrate the knowledge and skills necessary for high school graduation and beyond. Students learn through career exploration, take college courses and earn industry credentials. They receive customized learning that matches their passions and interests with their career aspirations.

#### Career Tech @ Weisenborn Junior High:

- Project Lead the Way: Introductory Courses in Biomedical, Computer Science and Engineering
- NEW COURSE for 23/24! Career Tech Intro Lab: Introduces 5 pathways in Agriculture, Interactive Media, HVAC, Construction and Welding

#### Career Tech @ Wayne High School:

- NEW COURSES FOR the 23/24 SY!
  - Welding, HVAC and Construction
  - Introductory Courses for 9th/10th Grade in each new pathway!
- 9 Pathways Available 23/24 SY: Welding, HVAC, Construction, Interactive Media, Engineering, Biomedical, Computer Science, Agriculture and AFJROTC
- Students who successfully complete course work may be eligible for a \$3000 Sinclair Scholarship.
- Students who engage in CT pathways also go on to 4 year universities, trade schools, earn additional certifications or enter the workforce after graduation.



### Career Exploration

IN ACTION!

#### Wayne High School

- Career Fair: 20 Vendors, 900 student participants.
- Construction Expo in Miamisburg
- Biomedical/Engineering Students: Ohio Tech Day @ Dayton Arcade. Participate in Sinclair Industry Days
- Manufacturing Day: Site visits to Pella Windows and McGregor Metal
- All sophomores went to the MVCTC to explore TWO LABS!
- Classroom experiences: Guest Speakers, Mock Interviews, Resume Writing
- YouScience Career Inventory: 10-12 Grade students engaged in WH and ELA

#### Weisenborn Junior High

- All 8th grade students visited MVCTC. Engaging in TWO LABS and a TOUR!
- YouScience Career Inventory: All 8th grade students engaged in Warrior Period with intentional touchpoints in the Spring.



### Assessment Corner

Spring Ohio State Tests will begin for our district starting March 27th-April 24th for English Language Arts (ELA) and April 24th-May 12th for math, science, and social studies. Building testing schedules will be published in late January or early February.