

FIRST CHOICE REPORT

February 16, 2023

First Choice Career Fair:

- The First Choice team did a spectacular job in getting 55 local employers and post-secondary institutions to come to PV on February 1st for the First Choice Career Fair. All grades 9-12 heard a keynote speaker on the importance of having the right mindset in approaching career development, followed by a 40-minute period of circulating through the fair to engage with employers, schools, and programs. Positive feedback about the event was received from both learners and the employers.
- Events like this are critical to the success of the non-traditional education that we are fostering here at PV. The learners, and hopefully parents, get to see the benefits of the First Choice program, along with the opportunities that are available in our community. The employers and post-secondary institutions get to see the value of the atypical education that PV provides, and the high quality of learners that we are generating.

First Choice Trips

- 2 Learners attended the Cyber Security Awareness Day through the Chamber of Commerce in Downtown Lancaster in January.
- 6 Learners will attend the second round of LGH's A Day in a Life Job Shadowing Day in April
- 20 learners were invited by Mr. Corrao and Mr. Erb to fill out applications to attend the Rock Lititz Live Event Career Conference
- In March, Ms. VanLeer will be leading a trip to Millersville's Art Program
- CORE will be attending a trip to ABC Keystone
- March 24th: The entire 10th grade will go on job shadow industry tours associated with their first choices.

Other First Choice Updates

- On February 8th, we had our practice rounds of senior first choice presentations in which underclassmen had the opportunity to hear the first-choice stories of their senior upperclassmen. This exposure allows our freshman, sophomores, and juniors to expand their thinking of what is possible for their high school careers.
- Pre-Apprenticeship: Our 5 pre-apprentice learners continue to engage in blueprint making and shop design challenges at the Manufacturing

Association's Pre-apprenticeship. This week they traveled out to York for their classes.

- First Choice Club: Robin McCracken has hosted a nursing club every Wednesday during flex inviting professionals from the healthcare industry as well as offering CPR Certification.