

# Comprehensive Counseling Plan Working Session

The goal of the Pottsgrove School District Counseling program, which is in accordance with the American School Counselor Association (ASCA) National Standards, is to promote and enhance student development in the areas of **academics, career, personal/social skills**. Educators, families, community agencies, and post secondary institutions will assist the school counseling program in the promotion of, and advocacy for, equity and access to learning for all students.



# Agenda

- Introductions
- Specific improvements realized from previous advisory meetings
- Current and upcoming Pottsgrove School District wide events
- Comprehensive Plan Working Session - Now what?

# Goal Attainment

Juniors are over 95% complete for ACT 339 College and Career Readiness. Fully expect to be at 95% by the close school.

## Requirement

- Grade 5 Benchmark — 6 pieces of evidence between grades K-5
- Grade 8 Benchmark — 6 pieces of evidence between grades 6-8, including individualized career plan
- Grade 11 Benchmark — 8 pieces of evidence between grades 9-11, including 2 pieces of evidence that demonstrate career plan implementation

The four Career Education and Work standards (strands) must be addressed at least once in the benchmark pieces of evidence:

- Career Awareness and Preparation
- Career Acquisition
- Career Retention and Advancement
- Entrepreneurship

# Grades Kindergarten through 2nd Grade

- **Junior Achievement Goals-Work Readiness, Entrepreneurship, Financial Literacy**  
K-2 Lesson Topics (K-Ourselfs, 1st-Our Families, 2nd-Our Community)
- **Community Helpers/PBIS Assemblies**
- **Community Partnerships**

# Career Dress Up Day



# Plenty of Pizza



# Monthly Character Trait Assemblies



# Honesty and Integrity

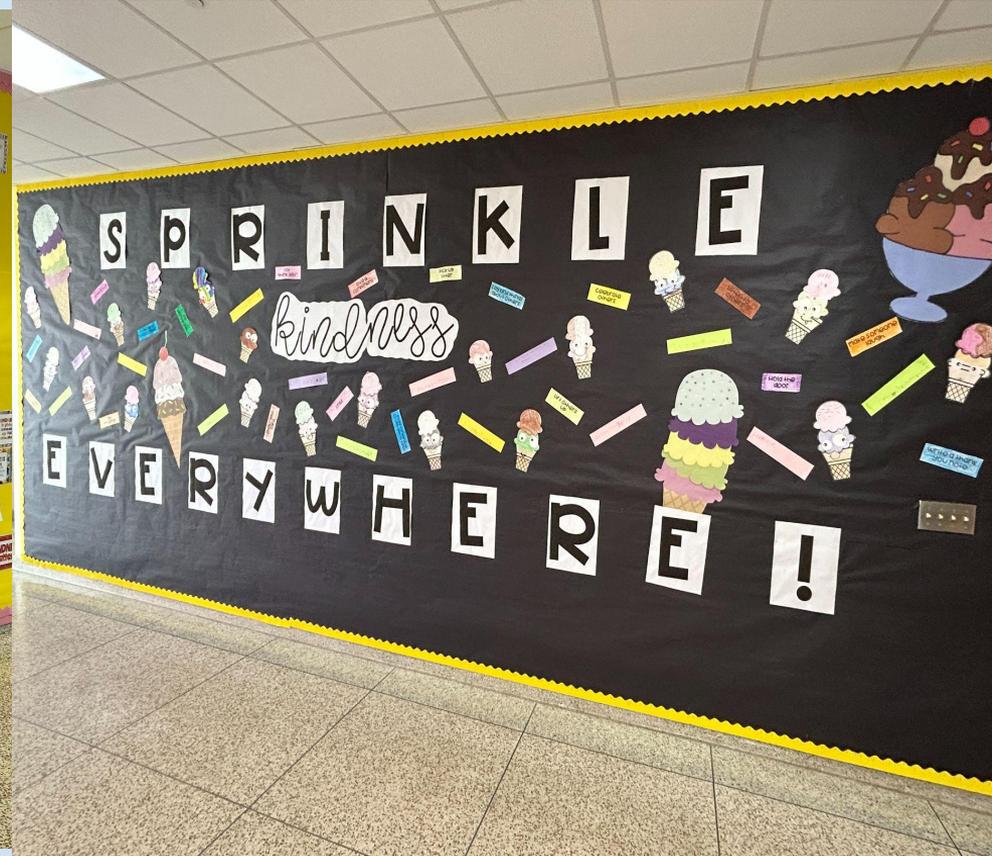


# West's School Spirit





# Planting Seeds of Kindness



# PBIS Teamwork Award



# Falcon Four Fun at Rocks!



# Rockin School Spirit through the Walk-a-Thon!



# Ringing Rocks Community Helpers



This year students participated in Peter's Place groups from West Pottsgrove, Ringing Rocks, and Lower Pottsgrove.

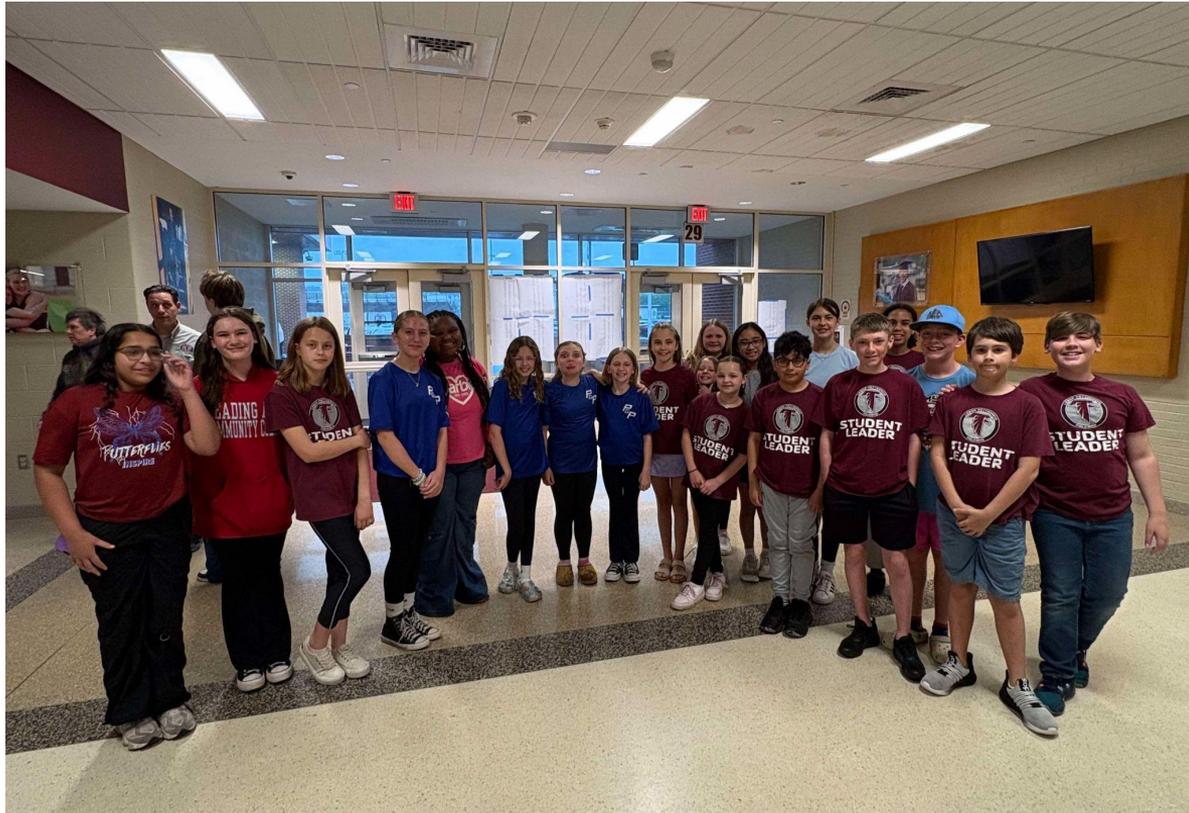


# Keeping Touches Safe and Healthy Lesson (K-3)



# Upcoming Community Helper Events





# STUDENT LEADERSHIP



# 2024-2025 ASCA STUDENT COUNCIL SCHOOL OF EXCELLENCE AWARD



In Recognition of the Four Pillars of ASCA:  
*Community Service*  
*Student Leadership*  
*Citizenship*  
*School Spirit*

**LOWER POTTSGROVE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

Your wings already exist  
All you have to do is fly!



# COMMUNITY SERVICE

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# TACKLE HUNGER

HELP LOWER POTTS GROVE ELEMENTARY

## BE A GAME CHANGER



JOIN OUR TEAM TO HELP OTHERS



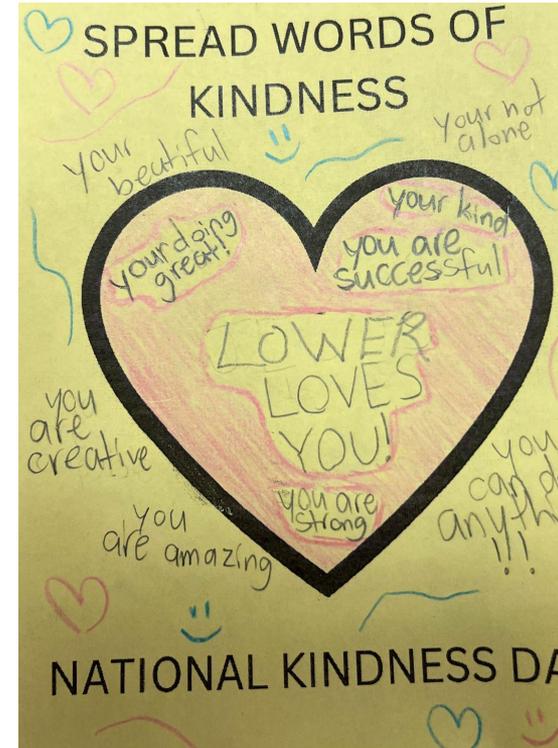
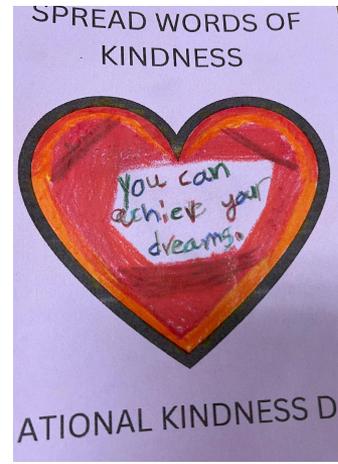
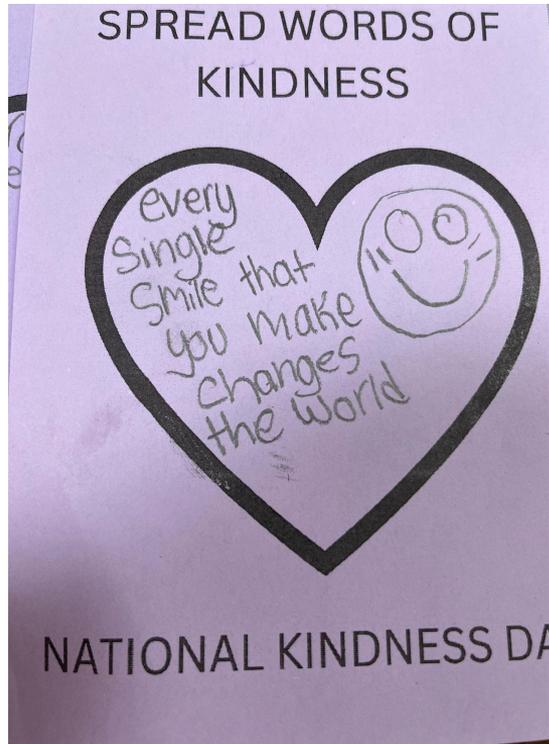
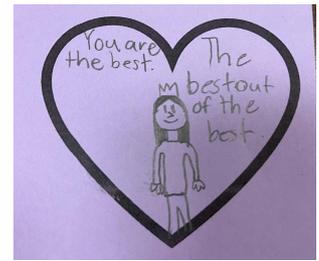
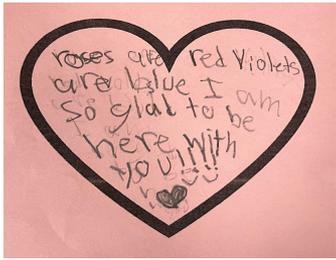
TAKE PART IN OUR SOUPER BOWL BY DONATING SOUP TO PREDICT WHICH TEAM YOU THINK WILL WIN SUPERBOWL LIX



# CITIZENSHIP



# NATIONAL KINDNESS DAY



## SCHOOL SPIRIT



# CAREER DAY



# Middle School

Recap of our year:

Naviance lessons:

6th Grade- Strength Explorer. Students answer questions to determine their top 3 strengths.

7th Grade- Career Key Explorer. Students answer questions about Holland Themes.

8th Grade- Career Cluster Finder. 8th grade also toured the Western Center and we had a Career Fair on Nov. 15th, just after our last Advisory Meeting in the Fall.

More on the Career Fair on the next slides!

REACH Program- Resiliency, Empowerment, and Creating Hope.

For year 2, we have a REACH Counselor in our building. This year, Mrs. Conrad was with us full time.

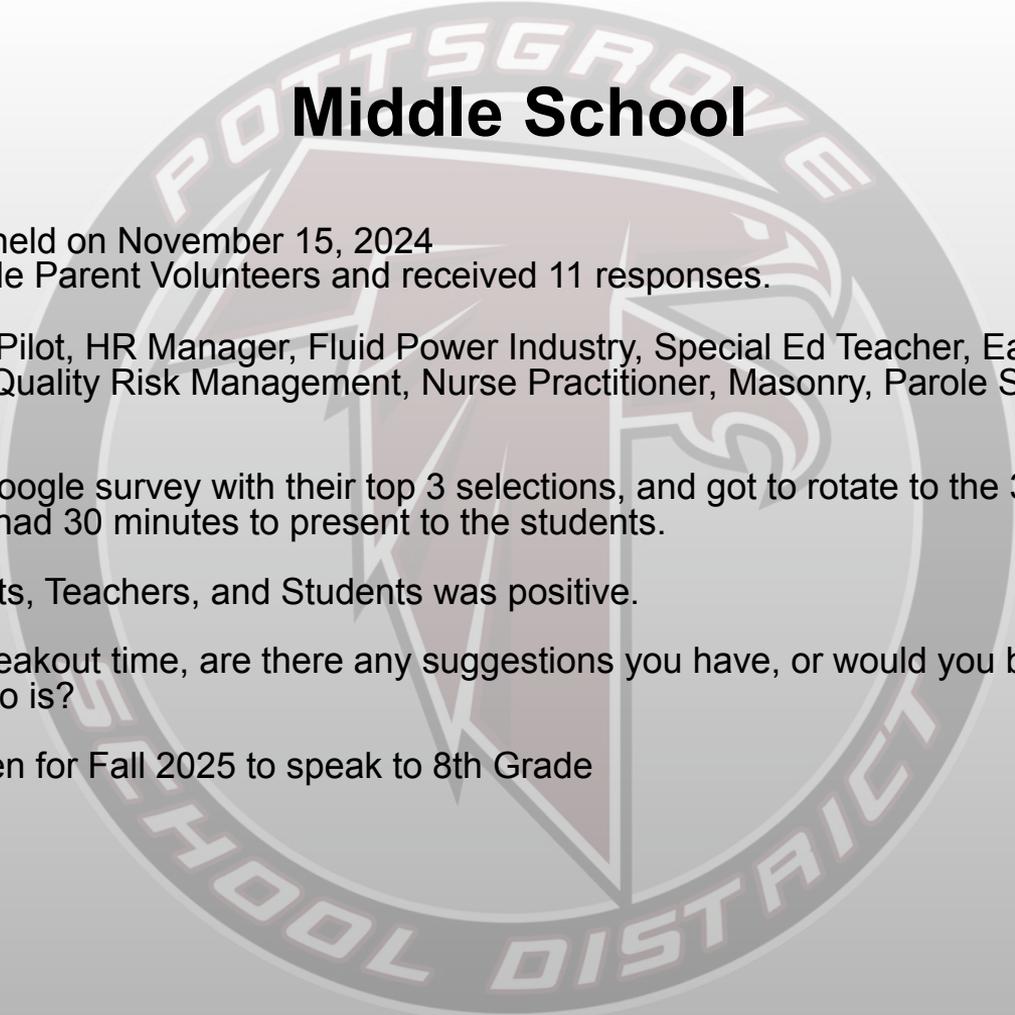
This is a school based intensive counseling program.

What's ahead for next year:

Naviance work will continue

Career Fair- with your input

Continuation of REACH program

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# Middle School

Our Career Day was held on November 15, 2024  
We asked for 8th grade Parent Volunteers and received 11 responses.

Careers were: Airline Pilot, HR Manager, Fluid Power Industry, Special Ed Teacher, Early Learning Administrator, VP of Quality Risk Management, Nurse Practitioner, Masonry, Parole Supervisor, and an HR for the Army

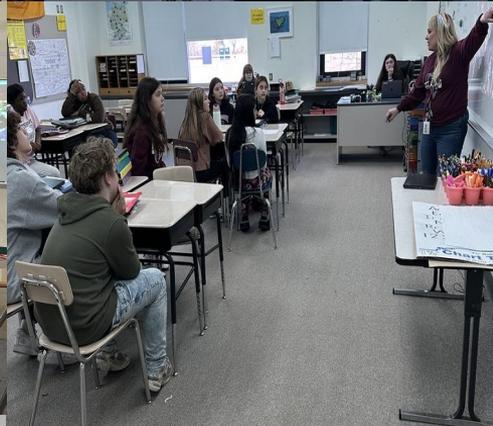
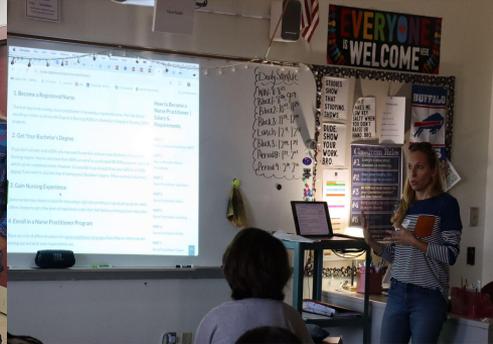
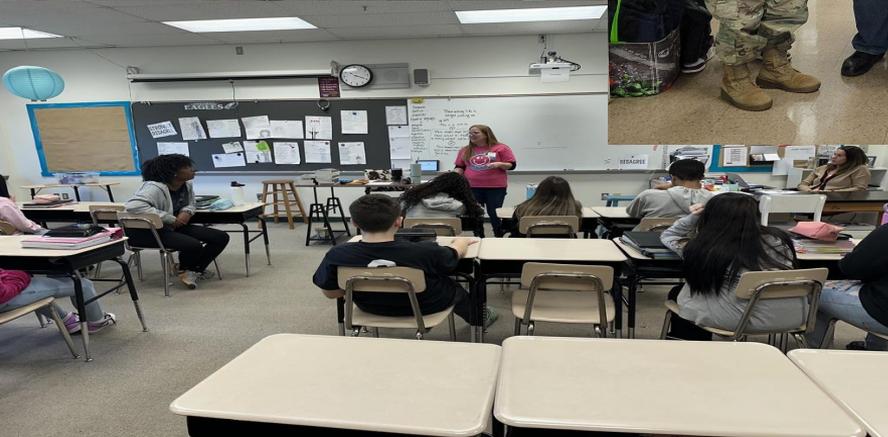
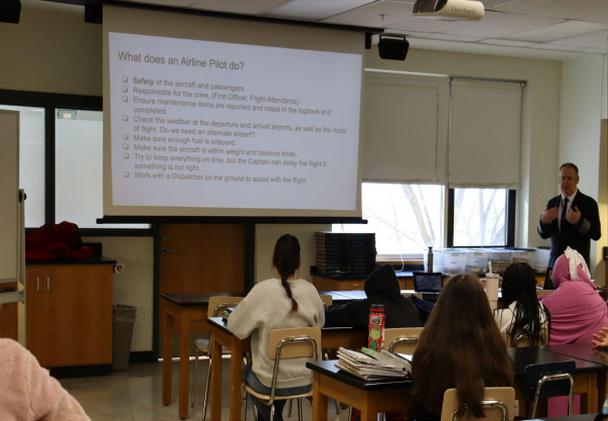
Students filled out a google survey with their top 3 selections, and got to rotate to the 3 speakers.  
Each Guest Speaker had 30 minutes to present to the students.

Feedback from Parents, Teachers, and Students was positive.

When we have our breakout time, are there any suggestions you have, or would you be willing to present?  
Or know someone who is?

We have 11 spots open for Fall 2025 to speak to 8th Grade

# Middle School Career Day!



# High School - Current Progress and Upcoming Events

- 177 students took 206 Advanced Placement Tests (AP) in 21 different subjects
- Spring '25 74 students in 101 MONTCo Classes - Fall '25 99 students in 130 MONTCo classes
- Over 95% Completion on ACT 339 College and Career Readiness Goals
- Over 100 students gained valuable information from 5 career speakers
- Over 1000 visits to March Madness featuring a wide variety of post secondary options
- Collaborating with the Pre Apprenticeship and Recruiting Coordinator of the IBEW 98, to bring Rosie's Girls a pre-apprenticeship program focused on getting women in the trades to Pottsgrove.

# High School - Pathways and Partnerships

**Constellation Energy Presentation  
November 21st - Recruiting our  
students for two summer internship  
opportunities in both degreed and  
craft positions.**



**March Madness Career  
Speaker Series -  
Local Law Enforcement  
Business Owners  
Former College Coach  
NFL Referee**



**UA LOCAL 420**

**Building relationships  
with local trade unions -  
Steamfitters Local 420  
and  
IBEW Local 126  
Planning a visit to the  
Local 420 in January**



**Increased Community  
Connections through  
Tri County Chamber of  
Commerce**



# High School - Pathways and Partnerships

## Expanding Possibilities

Field Trips to Limerick Generating Station and  
The Steamfitters Local 420  
MADE - Free Training in the Trades



## MADE - Free Training in the Trades

Jordan R., Senior



## March Madness

Year two - Students are beginning to understand the importance of this event and request specific options be available to them.



# High School - Pathways and Partnerships

## ESL Leadership Program -

20 PGHS students are reading to, encouraging and mentoring our growing ESL population at Ringing Rocks and West Pottsgrove. Special thanks to ESL teacher, Mrs. Jen Godinez and senior Savannah VanHorn



## Fall College Update

52 Post Secondary Schools have visited PGHS - 106 student visits  
**Over 500 applications** have been submitted for the class of 2025

## Job Shadowing Program -

Current Partnerships with 10 local businesses. 8 students have shadowed at 4 local businesses.



**MADE (Making a Difference Economically)** - Recruiting students in 8th grade through 12th to complete a FREE 10 week pre-apprenticeship program where they can earn industry certifications in Electrical, Plumbing and Carpentry. Cohort should begin in February.

19 PGHS students participating in our internship program



# High School - Pathways and Partnerships

## ESL Leadership Program -

Looking to expand the ESL leadership program to all students and all buildings. Rising Senior Brooke Perfetto is looking to bring this program to the next level.

Brooke P. -  
Rising Senior



Thank you to the Board of School Directors for amending school board policy to allow the school counseling budget to support trips to postsecondary institutions.

## Job Shadowing Program

- Current Partnerships with 13 local businesses. Over 15 students have shadowed at local businesses.

Addison M. - Rising Senior  
Pottstown YWCA - Pre-K



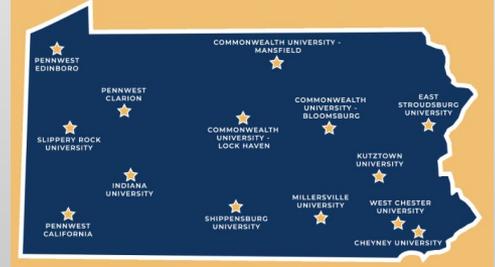
30 PGHS students participating in our internship program 25-26



Rising Seniors Giana V. and McKenzie K. - Pottstown Hospital Internship

## PASSHE Universities

Click university locations below to learn more.



# Post 12 and Community Based Job Training

Financial planning Workshop  
OVR Workshop  
Think College Workshop

-10 PGHS students  
participating in our work  
program  
Next year will have a  
special ed transition  
coordinator..

Expanded Work Opportunities in the  
Local Community:  
CareNShare  
Pottstown Hospital  
Liberty Thrift  
Elementary Schools and Cafeterias  
Redners  
Pottstown YMCA



FEBRUARY 2025 *Pottsgrove Village NEWSLETTER*

## The Pottsgrove Village

Parents and faculty together in action, to support our students with special needs



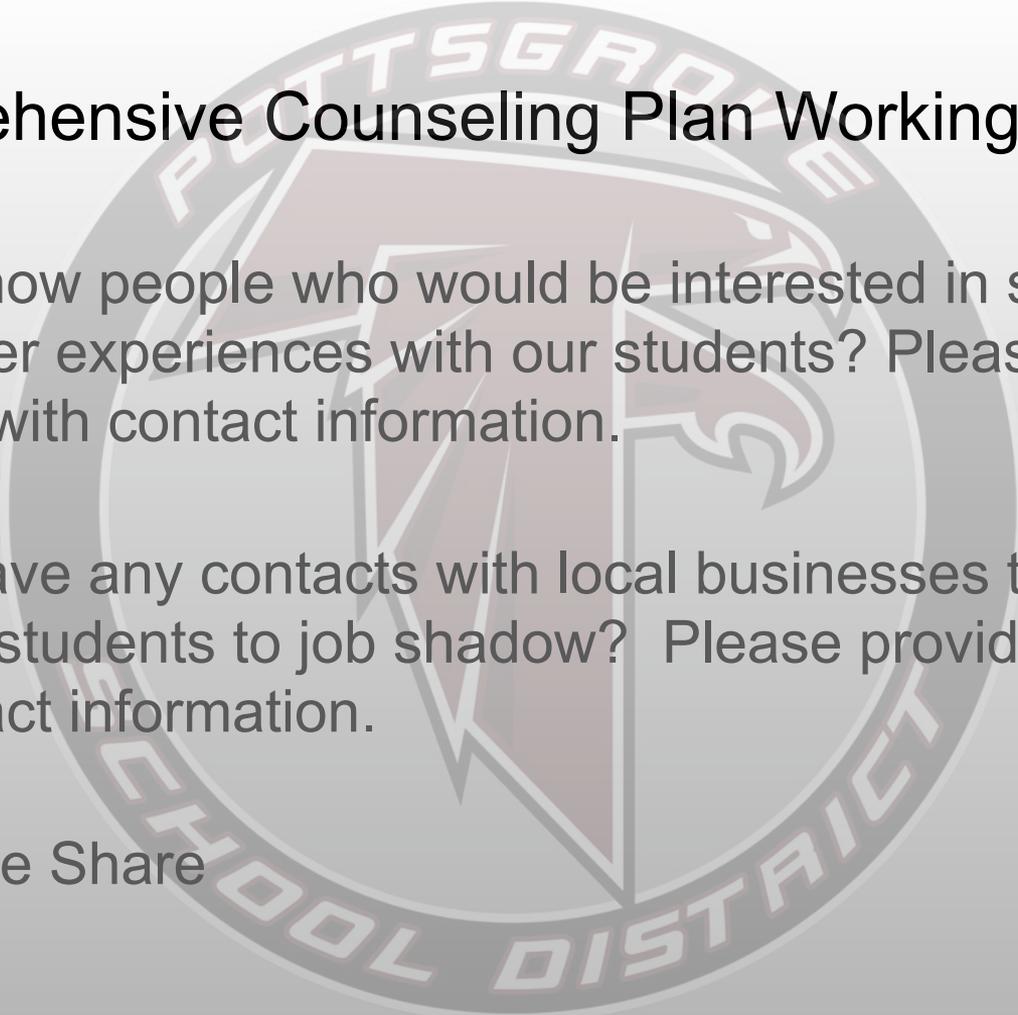
Ringin' Rocks Elementary students in Ms. Sheehan's life skills/multiple disability support classroom began hosting a monthly Farmer's Market, selling treats to staff.

The market promotes a sense of community and develops our youngest students early literacy and numeracy skills.

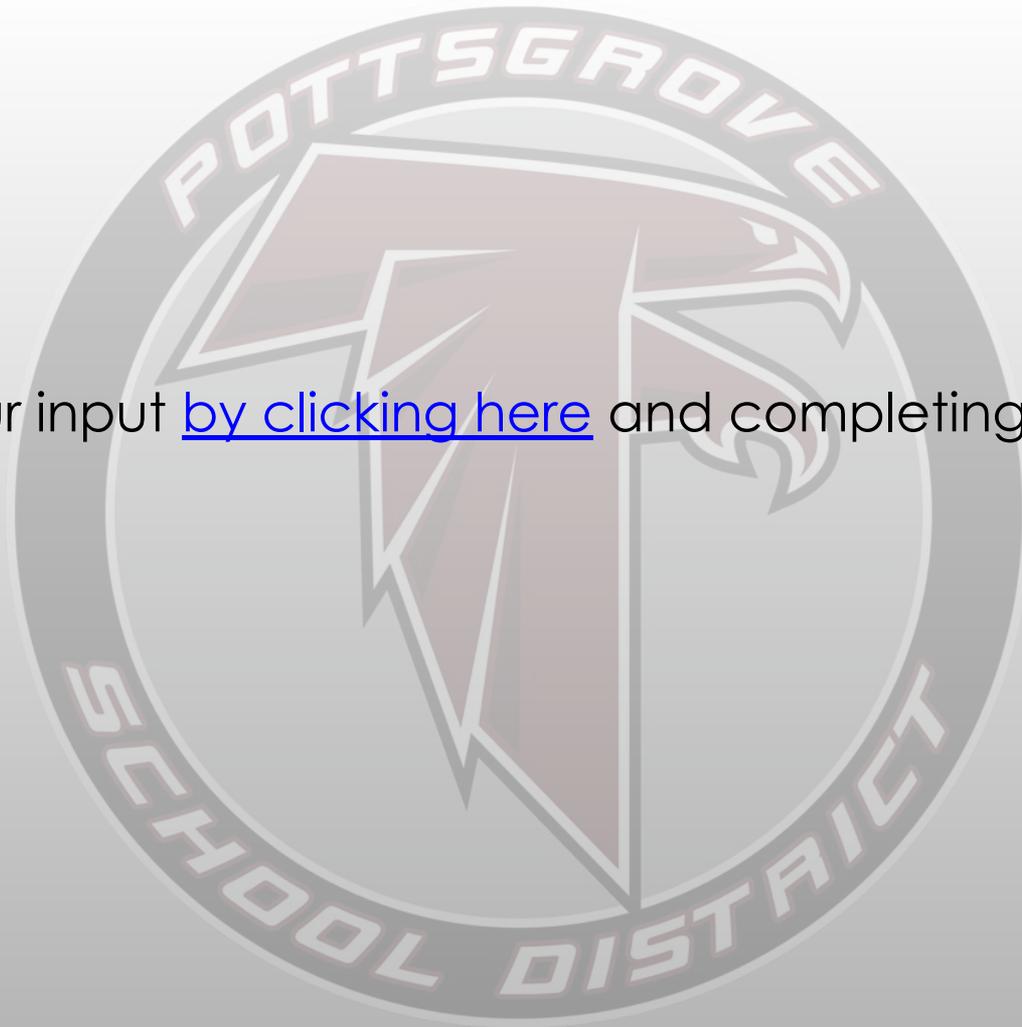
Ms. Sheehan, Dianna



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- Do you know people who would be interested in sharing their career experiences with our students? Please provide the team with contact information.
- Do you have any contacts with local businesses that would allow our students to job shadow? Please provide the team with contact information.
- Knowledge Share



- Share your input [by clicking here](#) and completing a brief survey.