



- Congratulations to our students who have been selected as Outstanding Students of the Marking Period for the first quarter. They will be honored at an awards ceremony on Monday during 2<sup>nd</sup> period. Students being honored are: Carmen Aurisano, Ashten Balkam, Gabryelle Barnett, Alexander Best, Taegan Bortree, Roslyn Burke, Kristopher Castillo Lopez, Leslie Castro, Tommy Dodd, Adam Gardiner, Christopher Garey, Mikayla Haraschak, Alessandro Hernandez, Wyatt Hollar, Shawn Hollowell, Kameron Hudson, Gavin Humanick, Donovan Llewellyn, Amali Paderwski, Calli Peiffer, Xavier Philipovich, Analysis Rodriguez, Sierra Scheirer, Savannah Singles, Kairi Stashefski, Violet Steele, Mackenzie Stein, Kyla Trumbore, and Kelsey Williams.
- Thank you and congratulations to our Student Council for a very successful Halloween Spirit Week and Color Run (which benefitted the American Cancer Society). Photos of the events throughout the week will be posted to our Facebook and Instagram pages as well as our Flickr online photo album soon. Flickr link may be found at the end of this message.

- Thank you to all of our students and staff who contributed to the Interact Rotary Club's donation drive for the local cat shelter. We appreciate your generosity in helping us help our local organizations!
- Congratulations to two of our DECA teams who had a great Round 1 of the Virtual Business Challenge. Team "Strikers" (Leah Hofmann, Isabella Harris, and Kiera Lager) won 3rd place, and Team "Mighty Hornets" (Jeremiah Donadi, Jaxon Schaeffer, and Ethan Zettlemoyer) won 6<sup>th</sup> place.
- Underclassmen are reminded to please join the Google Classroom for their respective grade. This is where information about class officers, special events, and other important announcements will be posted.

The Google Classroom codes are:

Junior Class: 3wjk7gkh

Sophomore Class: yvisqw3h

Freshmen Class: rlbczums.

- Student dress code reminder: According to our student handbook, pajama tops or bottoms are not permitted to be worn to school.
- Seniors, it's time to sign up for the LCCC job fair which is taking place on Thursday, November 6th. Please see the Google Form in the Senior Google Classroom to sign up, and reach out to Ms. Benyo with any questions. Those attending the job fair should bring resumes and wear professional attire as over 80 local and regional employers will be available to discuss full-time, part-time, seasonal, and internship opportunities.

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- Information for Seniors from the Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Agency:

With the 2026-27 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA®) opening last month, the Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Agency (PHEAA) has been working to prepare our PA State Grant processing system, GrantUs<sup>SM</sup> for the upcoming award year. We are now pleased to announce that processing for the 2026-27 PA State Grant Program has been initiated.

- We ingested our first batch of FAFSA records overnight on October 14 and will continue to ingest received FAFSA records in batches, over the next week.
- New this year, a pre-screening methodology allows us to perform immediate review of the student's FAFSA data to determine whether the student meets initial PA State Grant applicant criteria through pre-eligibility checks (for example submitted a complete FAFSA, is a PA resident, not in default, etc.) If the student's FAFSA data passes these initial checks the student's record will be created in GrantUS.
- An account activation notice will be sent after the student's FAFSA data successfully passes the pre-screening process if the student does not have an existing account.

- Activation notices will be sent from [noreply@grantus.pheaa.org](mailto:noreply@grantus.pheaa.org).
  - Activation notices are time sensitive and will expire after 5 days. If the student does not access the link before it expires, they can use Forgot Password on the GrantUS log in page.
  - Students that have an existing account are not required to make a new account but instead should log in with their existing credentials. Students can select Forgot Password on the login page if they do not remember their password.
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- Please remember that attendance is extremely important for students at CCTI and eventually in the working world. Poor attendance and truancy at CCTI may result in fines, and loss of privileges. Due to excessive absenteeism (including days absent accompanied by a parent note), students may also experience loss of credit for the courses taken during the school year (20 Day Policy).
  - Parents, please ask your student to show you their Google Classroom so you can see what students are working on in their classes. Also, if a student is absent, he/she is expected to check Google Classroom to retrieve and complete assignments to avoid falling behind.
  - After school tutoring and clubs and activities are available. Please see Ms. Hyjurick in room 311 for more information about after school tutoring or see Ms. Benyo in room 203 for more information about staying after school to attend a club/activity meeting. Please consider using our free tutoring resource to maintain a positive grade point average and/or for extra support. Please consider getting involved in a CCTI club/activity.

- We are excited to announce that CCTI's salon is now open to the public on Thursdays and Fridays from 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. For more information or to schedule an appointment, please call 570-325-3682 ext. 1129.
- Please be aware that our school has installed vape detectors in bathrooms. These detectors are in place to promote a healthy environment and discourage vaping on campus.

### Key Points to Keep in Mind:

- Detection: The detectors can identify vaping in real-time, meaning that if you vape in the bathrooms, you will be caught. Unfortunately, some students have already been caught as a result of the detectors.
  - Consequences: If detected, there will be disciplinary actions, including out-of-school suspension, expulsion, and referral to law enforcement officials (refer to JOC Policy 227 – Controlled Substances/Paraphernalia/Mood Altering Substances, Chemical Use, Abuse, and Dependency Policy in the Student/Parent Handbook, and JOC Policy 233 – Suspension and Expulsion – all are on our website).
  - Health Matters: Remember that vaping can pose significant health risks, and it's important to prioritize your well-being.
- SkillsUSA advisors have been coming into technical areas to tell students how to sign up and compete in a TON of interesting competitions. Some of these competitions are related to technical fields, but others are open to anyone in ANY field. This is a wonderful experience for our students and ANYONE in ANY grade can join. For more information about SkillsUSA ask your technical or academic instructor.

- Parents, please help your student get to school on time by dropping them off no later than 7:40 a.m. This will allow students to get to their locker and get ready to start their day at 7:45. Thank you for your cooperation.
- Parents and students- Please review CCTI's Dress code policy (see pages 20-21 handbook).
- Please see the following informational flyers, etc. below:
  - Position Vacancy - Custodian/Cleaner/Groundskeeper/Maintenance Worker
  - Student/Parent Financial Aid Webinar Sign-Up Information.

**Sincerely,**

**Dave Reinbold**  
**Administrative Director**  
**570-325-3682 ext. 1502**

*and*

**Michele Connors**  
**Principal**  
**ext. 1505**

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- Felicitamos a nuestros estudiantes que han sido seleccionados como Estudiantes Sobresalientes del Primer Trimestre. Serán homenajeados en una ceremonia de premiación el lunes durante las 2 de la tarde. Los estudiantes homenajeados son: Carmen Aurisano, Ashten Balkam, Gabryelle Barnett, Alexander Best, Taegan Bortree, Roslyn Burke, Kristopher Castillo Lopez, Leslie Castro, Tommy Dodd, Adam Gardiner, Christopher Garey, Mikayla Haraschak, Alessandro Hernandez, Wyatt Hollar, Shawn Hollowell, Kameron Hudson, Gavin Humanick, Donovan Llewellyn, Amali Paderwski, Calli Peiffer, Xavier Philipovich, Analysisia Rodriguez, Sierra Scheirer, Savannah Singles, Kairi Stashefski, Violet Steele, Mackenzie Stein, Kyla Trumbore y Kelsey Williams.
- Gracias y felicitaciones a nuestro Consejo Estudiantil por una exitosa Semana del Espíritu de Halloween y Carrera de Colores (a beneficio de la Sociedad Americana Contra El Cáncer). Pronto publicaremos fotos de los eventos de la semana en nuestras páginas de Facebook e Instagram, así como en nuestro álbum de fotos de Flickr. El enlace a Flickr se encuentra al final de este mensaje.

- Gracias a todos nuestros estudiantes y personal que contribuyeron a la campaña de donación del Club Rotario Interact para el refugio de gatos local. ¡Agradecemos su generosidad al ayudarnos a apoyar a nuestras organizaciones locales!
- ¡Felicitaciones a dos de nuestros equipos DECA que tuvieron una excelente primera ronda del Desafío Empresarial Virtual! El equipo “Strikers” (Leah Hofmann, Isabella Harris y Kiera Lager) obtuvo el tercer lugar, y el equipo “Mighty Hornets” (Jeremiah Donadi, Jaxon Schaeffer y Ethan Zettlemoyer) obtuvo el sexto lugar.
- Se recuerda a los alumnos de los cursos inferiores que se unan al aula virtual de Google Classroom correspondiente a su curso. Allí se publicará información sobre los representantes de la clase, eventos especiales y otros anuncios importantes.

Los códigos de Google Classroom son:

Clase Junior: 3wjk7gkh

Clase de segundo año: yvisqw3h

Clase de primer año: rlbczums.

- Recordatorio sobre el código de vestimenta para estudiantes: De acuerdo con nuestro manual del estudiante, no está permitido usar pijamas (ni la parte superior ni la inferior) en la escuela.

- Estudiantes de último año, es hora de inscribirse en la feria de empleo de LCCC, que se llevará a cabo el jueves 6 de noviembre. Por favor, consulten el formulario de Google en el aula virtual de Google para estudiantes de último año para inscribirse y comuníquense con la Sra. Benyo si tienen alguna pregunta. Quienes asistan a la feria de empleo deben llevar currículum y vestir ropa formal, ya que más de 80 empleadores locales y regionales estarán disponibles para hablar sobre oportunidades de empleo de tiempo completo, medio tiempo, por temporada y pasantías.
- Personas mayores, es hora de inscribirse en la feria de empleo de LCCC que tendrá lugar el jueves 6 de noviembre. Para inscribirse, consulte el formulario de Google en el aula virtual de Google Classroom para alumnos de último año y comuníquese con la Sra. Benyo si tiene alguna pregunta. Quienes asistan a la feria de empleo deben llevar currículum y vestir de manera profesional, ya que habrá más de 80 empleadores locales y regionales disponibles para hablar sobre oportunidades de empleo de tiempo completo, medio tiempo, por temporada y prácticas profesionales.
- Información para personas mayores de la Agencia de Asistencia para la Educación Superior de Pensilvania:

Con la apertura de la Solicitud Gratuita de Ayuda Federal para Estudiantes (FAFSA®) 2026-27 el mes pasado, la Agencia de Asistencia para la Educación Superior de Pensilvania (PHEAA) ha estado trabajando para preparar nuestro sistema de procesamiento de subvenciones estatales de Pensilvania, GrantUs.<sup>SM</sup> Nos complace anunciar que se ha iniciado el proceso de solicitud para el Programa de Subvenciones Estatales de Pensilvania 2026-27, con motivo del próximo año académico.

- El 14 de octubre por la noche procesamos nuestro primer lote de solicitudes FAFSA y continuaremos procesando los registros FAFSA recibidos en lotes durante la próxima semana.
- Como novedad este año, una metodología de preselección nos permite realizar una revisión inmediata de los datos FAFSA del estudiante para determinar si cumple con los requisitos.Criterios iniciales para solicitantes de la subvención estatal de Pensilvania mediante comprobaciones previas de elegibilidad (por ejemplo, haber presentado una FAFSA completa, ser residente de Pensilvania, no estar en mora, etc.). Si los datos de la FAFSA del estudiante superan estas comprobaciones iniciales, se creará el registro del estudiante en GrantUS.
- Si el estudiante no tiene una cuenta existente, se le enviará un aviso de activación de cuenta una vez que sus datos FAFSA superen con éxito el proceso de preselección.
- Los avisos de activación se enviarán [desdenoreply@grantus.pheaa.org](mailto:desdenoreply@grantus.pheaa.org).
- Los avisos de activación tienen una vigencia de 5 días. Si el estudiante no accede al enlace antes de que caduque, puede usar la opción «¿Olvidó su contraseña?» en la página de inicio de sesión de GrantUS.
- Los estudiantes que ya tienen una cuenta no necesitan crear una nueva; deben iniciar sesión con sus credenciales. Si no recuerdan su contraseña, pueden seleccionar «¿Olvidó su contraseña?» en la página de inicio de sesión.

- Recuerden que la asistencia es fundamental para los estudiantes de CCTI y, posteriormente, para su futuro laboral. La inasistencia y el absentismo escolar en CCTI pueden acarrear multas y la pérdida de privilegios. Debido al absentismo excesivo (incluidos los días de ausencia justificados por los padres), los estudiantes también podrían perder los créditos de los cursos realizados durante el año escolar (Política de 20 días).
- Padres, por favor, pidan a sus hijos que les muestren su Google Classroom para que puedan ver en qué están trabajando. Además, si un alumno falta a clase, deberá consultar Google Classroom para recuperar y completar las tareas y así evitar atrasarse.
- Se ofrecen tutorías, clubes y actividades extraescolares. Para obtener más información sobre las tutorías extraescolares, diríjase a la Sra. Hyjurick en el aula 311; para información sobre cómo quedarse después de clase para asistir a una reunión de un club o actividad, diríjase a la Sra. Benyo en el aula 203. Le animamos a utilizar nuestro servicio gratuito de tutorías para mantener un buen promedio de calificaciones o para obtener apoyo adicional. Le invitamos a participar en un club o actividad de CCTI.
- Nos complace anunciar que el salón de CCTI ahora está abierto al público los jueves y viernes de 8:00 a. m. a 1:00 p. m. Para obtener más información o programar una cita, llame al 570-325-3682 ext. 1129.

- Les informamos que nuestra escuela ha instalado detectores de vapeo en los baños. Estos detectores se han colocado para promover un ambiente saludable y desalentar el vapeo en el campus.

Puntos clave a tener en cuenta:

- Detección: Los detectores pueden identificar el vapeo en tiempo real, lo que significa que si vapeas en los baños, te pillarán. Desafortunadamente, algunos estudiantes ya han sido pillados gracias a los detectores.
  - Consecuencias: Si se detecta, habrá acciones disciplinarias, incluyendo suspensión fuera de la escuela, expulsión y remisión a las autoridades policiales (consulte la Política JOC 227 – Sustancias controladas/parafernalia/sustancias que alteran el estado de ánimo, política sobre uso, abuso y dependencia de sustancias químicas en el Manual del Estudiante/Padre, y la Política JOC 233 – Suspensión y expulsión – todas están en nuestro sitio web).
  - La salud importa: Recuerda que vapear puede suponer riesgos importantes para la salud, y es importante priorizar tu bienestar.
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- Los asesores de SkillsUSA han estado visitando las áreas técnicas para informar a los estudiantes sobre cómo inscribirse y participar en una gran cantidad de competencias interesantes. Algunas de estas competencias están relacionadas con campos técnicos, pero otras están abiertas a cualquier persona de cualquier área. Esta es una experiencia maravillosa para nuestros estudiantes y cualquier persona de cualquier grado puede participar. Para obtener más información sobre SkillsUSA, consulte con su profesor técnico o académico.

- Padres, por favor ayuden a sus hijos a llegar a tiempo al colegio dejándolos antes de las 7:40 a.m. Esto permitirá que los alumnos lleguen a su casillero y se preparen para comenzar el día a las 7:45. Gracias por su cooperación.
- Padres y alumnos: Por favor, revisen la política de vestimenta de CCTI (véanse las páginas 20-21 del manual).
- Consulte los siguientes folletos informativos, etc.:
  - Puesto vacante: Conserje/Limpiador/Jardinero/Trabajador de mantenimiento
  - Información de inscripción al seminario web sobre ayuda financiera para estudiantes y padres.

**Atentamente,**

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*The above listed position will be filled on the basis of certification, qualifications, experience, and interest.*

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date: October 1, 2025

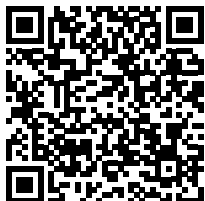
# 2025 PHEAA Statewide Webinars



## PA State Grant Form Completion

PHEAA Access Partners will present an overview of the 2025–26 PA State Grant process to guide college students and families through a step-by-step process of filing the PA State Grant Form.

Thursday,  
July 10



Register

Noon–1:00 PM (ET)

Wednesday,  
August 6



Register

6:00–7:00 PM (ET)

## Creating Your StudentAid.gov Account

In order to fill out and submit the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA®) you will need a StudentAid.gov account. Join us to learn more about what the StudentAid.gov account is, and when and who should create an account.

Wednesday,  
September 17



Register

6:00–7:00 PM (ET)

Tuesday,  
November 4



Register

6:00–7:00 PM (ET)

## Searching For Scholarships

The cost of a postsecondary education can add up quickly for students and families. Thankfully, there is funding to help cover those expenses. Join us as we share tips to help students successfully search and apply for scholarships. After attending this webinar, students will understand the different types of scholarships, resources for finding scholarships, and tools to help increase their chances of earning those scholarships.

Wednesday,  
September 10



Register

6:00–7:00 PM (ET)

Wednesday,  
September 24



Register

Noon–1:00 PM (ET)

## Financial Aid 101

PHEAA Access Partners will present information on the financial aid application process, what types of aid are available for students, and strategies to start thinking about affordability before getting ready to apply for postsecondary school admission. Time will be built into the presentation to allow you to ask any questions you may have regarding the financial aid process.

Tuesday,  
November 18



Register

6:00–7:00 PM (ET)

Wednesday,  
December 10



Register

6:00–7:00 PM (ET)

## FAFSA Overview—Line by Line

Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Agency (PHEAA) Access Partners will present an overview of the 2026-27 FAFSA® process to guide students and families through a step-by-step process of filing the FAFSA and PA State Grant applications.

Thursday,  
December 18

Register

6:00–7:00 PM (ET)



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Wednesday,  
January 14



Register

6:00–7:00 PM (ET)

Wednesday,  
March 11



Register

6:00–7:00 PM (ET)

### Understanding and Comparing Financial Aid Offers

The PHEAA Access Partners will present information on the steps students should take after completing the FAFSA®. They will discuss the financial aid process, strategies to review and understand financial aid offers from colleges, and how to compare different types of aid.

Wednesday,  
March 18



Register

6:00–7:00 PM (ET)

Thursday,  
April 16



Register

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Tuesday  
February 10

Register

6:00–7:00 PM (ET)



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