

Career Ready Connections

Back to School Edition August 2023



#CareerReadyPA



A message from Career Ready PA

Welcome back! A new school year is here again, and the Career Ready PA team is here to assist with opportunities, resources, and updates in career readiness.

Please seek out new opportunities for learners and educators on the [Career Ready PA Coalition webpage](#). Students and families will find career awareness opportunities to experience with one of our many stakeholders!



Don't forget that our Career Ready PA regional liaisons are here to support you with training and resources. If you don't know your region, you can use the regions map located on the [Career Ready PA page](#).

- Resources are available at [SAS for Career Readiness](#).
- Join our [Career Readiness Learning Community](#). (PDE SAS login is required.)

- [Career Ready PA](#) is PDE's source for guidance and resources.

Find your Career Ready Liaison here!

Upcoming Events

Remake Learning Wonder

As we head back to school, Kidsburgh would like to invite you to a special, virtual session called "**Spark Wonder this School Year**" on **Tues, August 29, from 8-9pm EST**. Hosted by Gregg Behr and Ryan Rydzewski – the co-authors of [When You Wonder, You're Learning](#) – join us for this conversation on how you can be inspired to kickstart joy, curiosity and wonder this school year. We welcome all parents, caregivers and teachers. This event is free.

[Register here for this program.](#)

SAS Institute 2023

Save the Date

December 11-13, 2023



SAS INSTITUTE 2023
**Successful
Leadership**
Shaping your school's story

Registration opens September 12

Go to www.iu5.org/sas for more info.



Trainings - Don't Miss!

PDE Training – Act 158

The Department would like to announce the following professional learning opportunities on Pennsylvania's high school graduation requirements.

Webinars are 50-minute presentations with a brief question/answer period; whereas, office hours are open forums with brief introductory presentations. All sessions are scheduled from 11:00 am to noon.

September 26, 2023

HS Graduation Requirements Refresher (*webinar*)

October 3, 2023

Grad Report: Collecting & Reporting Data (*webinar*)

October 10, 2023

PDE Tracking Tool (*office hour*)

October 17, 2023

Grad Data: Informing Local Practice (*webinar*)

October 24, 2023

FAQ (*office hour*)

Sessions can be accessed using the following log-in:

<https://iu13.zoom.us/j/99586637885?pwd=Q25VVHR4TTB3VDgra1hTTktON0VYZz09>

Career Ready PA “Reboot Camps” this fall in conjunction with the Apprenticeship and Training Office (PA Labor & Industry)

The Pennsylvania Department of Education (PDE) is pleased to announce a training to update and assist districts designed in meeting the statewide postsecondary attainment 2025 goal of **60 percent of Pennsylvanians with a postsecondary credential, certificate, or degree.**

The goal of this training is to introduce new staff and acquaint existing staff with new developments, trainings, and initiatives that utilize stakeholder and workforce partnerships to expand the classroom to career connections and build schoolwide momentum for career readiness.

Look for an email from your Career Ready PA Liaison soon!

Grants - Apply Now!



Agriculture and Youth Grant Program

The Pennsylvania Ag & Youth Grant Program provides direct grants and matching grants to help fund eligible projects, programs and equipment purchases conducted or made by an organization composed mainly of youth, or an organization with programs that benefit youth, and organized to promote development in the areas of agriculture, community leadership, vocational training and peer fellowship.

The program aims to address the looming workforce deficit the industry is expected to face in the next decade.

[For more information and application...](#)

Building and Supporting a Teacher Apprenticeship Program

The PA Department of Labor & Industry (L&I) announces the availability of up to \$400,000 in funding for the Building and Supporting a Paraprofessional to Certified Teacher Apprenticeship Program in Pennsylvania. The purpose of this Notice of Grant Availability (NGA) is to competitively award \$400,000 to one Pennsylvania-based entity/individual to develop an apprenticeship template that will allow for the creation of teaching pathways.



[For more information and application...](#)

Industry Partnership (IP) Grant

The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania (PA) Department of Labor & Industry (L&I) announces the availability of up to \$4 million in funding for Pennsylvania Industry Partnership Grant awards of up to \$250,000 each that support IP initiatives across Pennsylvania.

The application deadline for the Pennsylvania Industry Partnership Grant is Friday, September 29, 2023, at 4:00 p.m. ET.

[For more information and application...](#)

Fall Career Ready PA Coalition Webinars

The Coalition and Career Ready PA will be hosting a series of webinars highlighting career pathways, resources, and best practices. Educators can view our upcoming webinars and register online on our [Eventbrite page](#). Recordings of the webinars, as well as materials shared during the sessions, can be found on our [Career Ready PA Coalition page under Career Ready Webinars](#).

How to meet Act 158 requirements using the Dream-Learn-Pitch program

When

Tuesday, Sep. 12th, 10am

Where

This is an online event.

More information

Don't miss this opportunity to learn how Dream-Learn-Pitch can enrich the classroom and inspire students to start their own business!

[Register here for the webinar](#)

Guiding Students on Life After High School

When

Wednesday, Sep. 20th, 10am

Where

This is an online event.

More information

Join College Board to hear about the great resources they have for your students!

[Register here for the webinar](#)

Workforce Innovation Now (W.I.N.): Get Your Students Career Ready

When

Wednesday, Sep. 27th, 10am

Where

This is an online event.

More information

Workforce Innovation Now (W.I.N. Program), a turnkey career readiness course curriculum covers financial/digital literacy, employability skills and work-based learning components to our course by empowering students to demonstrate mastery of the competencies and employability skills necessary for any post-secondary career pathway.

[Register here for the webinar](#)



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