

Report to the Director
From
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I'm very proud and impressed with the team effort put in this past year to educate more students and families in the opportunities provided by Region III programs. We're very happy with the higher numbers and all of the Instructors are saying how good their students are. Homeschool student numbers have increased over last year; we now have 9 homeschooled students.

A UM Fort Kent Admissions representative will be visiting us on Friday, 9/28 and Monday, 10/1; a Washington Co. Community College will have a representative here on 10/30 and 10/31; a Beal College rep will address our Health Science students and be available to talk with any other students on 10/24 and 10/25; and a UM Augusta rep will be here on 10/25 and 10/28. I'm working to get other college reps here this fall. We plan to take some students to the NMCC Open House on Friday, 10/12.

I'm helping Terry Mitchell (PVHS Guidance Counselor) find speakers for his MELMAC 8th grade aspirations/career exploration project. David Shedd will present the construction industry to them and I'll present Region III programs to them on Wed., 10/3. This seems to be a win-win for both Region III and PV schools' efforts to reach out to the middle school population.

Mila Tappan with FAME will be here on 10/17 and 10/18 to get our students logged into their FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) forms for college. This will be different from a general FAFSA presentation because Mila will be actually getting students' accounts set up on-line, which is the trickiest step.

I'm developing a marketing plan for the Bridge program and will be working hard to educate more counselors, students, and families on this wonderful program which gives students the chance to earn 26 or more college course credits AND get technical training and education here at Region III. This combination gives students the college marketing edge in their applications and has helped them figure out what career path they want to pursue.

NOCTI, ASE, IT, and CTECS industry testing will be upcoming soon to ascertain student knowledge levels in their fields of study. Students will test again toward the end of the school year to tell Instructors how much they learned.

Tom Baer (CDL Instructor) received news at the end of last year that CTEs can use our tractor trucks to also teach the Class B license curriculum. Some students who only want the Class B license (more than 26,000 lbs.) and some others need more time to get their Class A license.

Thank you for your support.

Respectively,

Hugh Porter