

DVR Student Services End of the Year Report 2016-17

Career Based Activities Multiple Schools Participated in:

- The following schools administered the “Do What You Are” Personality Inventory, thru Naviance to either Freshman or Sophomore students: Oak Park River Forest, Proviso Math and Science Academy, Proviso West, Proviso East, Riverside Brookfield, Elmwood Park, and Ridgewood
- The following schools administered the “Career Cluster Finder” and/or “Career Interest Profiler” thru Naviance to either Freshman or Sophomores: Oak Park River Forest, West Leyden, Proviso West, Riverside Brookfield, Elmwood Park, Proviso Math and Science Academy, Proviso East, Ridgewood, and East Leyden.
- The following schools administered the “Strengths Explorer” in Naviance: Riverside Brookfield, Elmwood Park,
- The following schools held career fairs: Elmwood Park, Ridgewood, West Leyden, Proviso East, Proviso Math and Science Academy and Proviso West.
- The following schools have taken part in the DVR Career Spotlight Field Trips: Oak Park River Forest, Riverside Brookfield, Proviso Math and Science Academy, West Leyden, Proviso West, Ridgewood, East Leyden, Elmwood Park, and Proviso East. These trips highlighted Engineering, Health Care, Information Technology.
- The following schools have taken part in the DVR Counselor Roundtables: Elmwood Park, Oak Park River Forest, Riverside Brookfield, Proviso Math and Science Academy, West Leyden, Proviso West, Ridgewood, East Leyden, and Proviso East.
- Counselors from the following schools have gone into classrooms to discuss with students post-secondary options, including career and work options: Elmwood Park, Oak Park River Forest, Proviso Math and Science Academy, Proviso West, West Leyden, East Leyden, and Proviso East
- Guest Speakers/Representatives came to the following schools to speak about individual careers or choosing a career path: Riverside Brookfield, West Leyden, Proviso West, Elmwood Park, Proviso East, Ridgewood, PMSA, East Leyden
- All schools promote Triton College Dual Credit programs.
- All schools meet with their students to discuss post-secondary goals.
- All schools in the DVR District attended the DVR School Alliance Workshop in October.

Other Items Unique to Each School:

East Leyden (Emily Wine)

- Group Guidance presentations to all grade levels
- Students invited to Junior Jump Start, an evening event designed as a combination of mini seminars focused on 4 year, 2 year, financial aid, trades, military and undocumented students

Elmwood Park (Alison Till)

- Held a college/career night for juniors and their families
- Held a non-traditional career night for parents and students
- Attended Connections Conference

Oak Park River Forest (Sarah VenHorst)

- Discussions with Proviso Township and Mrs. Robinson’s Beauty School for a potential partnership and course offerings

- Parent Night for Junior called “What Can I Do Without a Four Year Degree: Additional Post-Secondary Pathways”.
- New course for 2017-18 called Fundamentals of Nursing, as well as a couple new Dual Credit offerings.
- Triton on-site testing and Triton orientation.

Proviso East (Linda Alvarez)

- Work with their students on additional Naviance lessons including Resume Builder, Game Plan, Strengths Explorer and Learning Styles.
- Has lunch informational sessions highlighting jobs and military.
- Weekly announcements regarding college and careers.
- Guidance presentations discussing vocational topics (i.e. career exploration, career planning, setting goals, job application process, resume writing, setting goals, etc.)
- Placed 2020 students into Career Academies
- Continue to enroll students in the Cosmetology program.

Proviso Math and Science Academy (Stephanie Nix)

- Promote their PULSE Program (Proviso United with Loyola Students for Educational Enrichment)
- Promote University of Illinois RAP Program
- Informational sessions at lunch for students including college, career, military, etc.

Proviso West (Carla Williams)

- Guidance Presentations discussing vocational topics (i.e. career exploration, career planning, setting goals, job application process, resume writing, etc.)
- Implement individual Learning Plans at Senior Meetings to Discuss Career Goals
- Administer Career Interest Surveys to all students
- Loyola Health Care Program (H Prep).
- Parent University career presentation
- Attended Connections Conference
- Career workshops (have speakers present from different career clusters)
- Introduction/Enrollment of student students into Cosmetology Program
- Ongoing informational sessions during lunch periods (i.e. UPS, Army, National Guard, Navy, etc.)
- Loyola health care program (H prep)
- Dual credit registration fair for students and parents- Dual credit registration increased
- Parent University career presentation
- Naviance Webinar Trainings
- Triton Accuplacer Testing

Ridgewood (Gretchen Selzer)

- Collaboration with freshman English teachers for push in classroom lessons—highlighting Naviance, Career Interest Profiler, and Road Trip nation.
- Fall newsletter with introduction to Naviance and various inventories.
- Special Education annual reviews focusing on class selection and involvement to support career goals.
- Representatives from TMA and the German American Chamber of Commerce came to speak to juniors and seniors about opportunities in the field of manufacturing.

- Summer jobs and opportunities circulated throughout the school year.
- Naviance SuperMatch tool explored and explained to match career aspirations with major, test scores and 2-year and 4-year education programs
- Approval and planning for next year's Post-Secondary Bootcamp for all seniors is under way
- Increased push-out of information regarding Cosmetology program at College of DuPage
- Field trip to the Illinois Institute of Technology and architecture summer program pushed out to students
- Professional development and UTI and campus tour

Riverside Brookfield (Mike Reingruber)

- After completing Do What You Are, Strengths Explorer, Cluster Finder, and the Career Interest Profiler, students complete an information sheet they go over with their counselor, detailing their career interests and college majors they may want to explore for that career.

West Leyden (Marijana Uremovic)

- Had a week where there were numerous breakout sessions for seniors including trade-schools and other non-college post secondary options.
- Held 3rd annual Junior Jump Start. The evening was designed as a combination of mini seminars focused on 4 year, 2 year, financial aid, trades, military, undocumented students, and college. The focus this year was manufacturing and Rand Haas presented on Manufacturing Careers Internship program.
- All sophomores did a career research project and learned about the Holland Code.