

CAREER MONTH

MARCH 2018

This year the Future Planning Center has really **beefed up** Career Month to offer Spring-Ford students a variety of different **career focused programs** throughout the month of March. All Career Month programming is listed with descriptions below. It is never too early to start thinking about careers you may be interested in pursuing. The first step is identifying your **“spark”** —What are you really good at? What are you passionate about? After you identify your spark, then you want to find a career that needs people with those skills and passions. If you are having trouble identifying your spark or aligning that spark with a career goal, come visit the **Future Planning Center!** We can help you get started and introduce you to a number of great resources that can help you along the way. Remember, you don't have to know what you want to do for the rest of your life right now, but that doesn't mean you should put off exploring your options!

WORKSHOPS

Resume Workshop —————

Thursday, March 15, FPC period 3

Friday, March 16, FPC period 7

Resumes are helpful (and sometimes required) when applying to colleges and jobs after graduation. Come learn what goes into a resume and what tools you can use to help create your resume.

Interviewing Workshop —————

Thursday, March 15, FPC period 6

Friday, March 16, FPC period 2

Whether you are interviewing for college admission, scholarships, or your first real job after high school, this workshop will give you the tools you need to be successful and feel confident in your first interview.

****Sign up in the Future Planning Center**

Spring College & Career Fair- Wednesday, March 21

Are you ready to start exploring your options for life after Spring-Ford? Come join us from 6-8:00pm in the 10-12 Gym to meet and chat with college, military, and career recruiters!

Junior Financial Reality Fair— Tuesday, March 20-21

All juniors will attend this NEW interactive fair during their social studies classes. Students will choose a career/education path that will determine their starting salary and debt. Students will then choose their desired housing, cell phones, cars, etc. to create a mock budget for themselves. They will then work with real financial advisors to determine whether or not their budget works.

FAIRS

CAREER TRENDS

Wednesday, March 14

7:00pm in 9th Grade Auditorium



Looking for direction on which careers to consider? Not sure what the right path is after high school? Want to make sure you get hired after college?

Come learn which careers are now “trending” and what our high need careers of the future will be. Get advice from our panel of current career counselors, employers, and job recruiters on what employers find most valuable in a job candidate. This panel discussion will cover careers that require all levels of education (training and certificate programs through bachelor degrees and beyond)

SPEAKERS

Monday, March 5: Aerospace Engineer, Period 3, FPC

Steve Garvin graduated from Penn State University in 1980 with his degree in Aerospace Engineering. He spent 32 years working for Lockheed Martin where he worked on Intercontinental Ballistic Missiles (ICBMs), radar and missile systems for US Navy ships, missile defense systems, and Intelligence Earth Imaging Satellites.

Wednesday, March 7: Realtor, Period 6, FPC

Thinking about becoming a realtor? Come learn more about the business from a man who has been in it for 51 years! Jim Cassidy has been actively engaged in all phases of the real estate business and even teaches pre-licensing and continuing education classes for two real estate schools.

Thursday, March 8: Attorney, Period 3, FPC

Interested in becoming a lawyer? Curious about what to expect in law school? This speaker is for you! Deanna Watson is a graduate of Widener Law who is currently licensed in PA and NJ. She practices in real estate law, family law, and employment/civil rights law.

Monday, March 12: Chef, Period 6, FPC

Thinking about a career in the food industry? Get some tips and insight from this executive chef and business owner. Brett Naylor is currently the executive chef at Oyster House in Philadelphia and owns Mission Taqueria in Philadelphia and is working on opening another restaurant in Los Angeles.

Tuesday, March 13: Clinical Behavioral Consultant, Period 2, FPC

Not sure what to do with your interest in psychology? Thinking special education or occupational therapy? This may be a career path you want to consider. Amy Alford works for the Bureau of Autism Services (BAS) and assists in the implementation programs for adults and children with autism both inside and outside of school. Come learn about this unique career opportunity.

Thursday, March 15: Wealth Advisor Period 7, FPC

Thinking about a career in business? Considering a major in finance? Proud PSU graduate, Curt Johnston, will give you a realistic perspective on the banking and financial industry as he shares his career journey story.

Wednesday, March 14: Digital Marketing, Period 6, FPC

Samantha Gower is a Sr. SEO Associate at Seer Interactive, a digital marketing agency in Northern Liberties, Philadelphia. She graduated from Temple University in May 2013 with a degree in Communications. At Temple, she was the Firm Director of PRowl Public Relations, a student-run firm, and interned with Flyers Charities, Target Corporation, and Trinity Insight.

Monday, March 19: Physical Therapist, Period 3, FPC

If you are thinking about a career in Physical Therapy, this is a must see speaker! Dr. Fritsch will not only share with you what his experience is like day to day as a physical therapist, but as a recent Drexel graduate, he can also share with what is like to be a physical therapy student.

Friday, March 23: Accountant & Recruiter, Period 7, FPC

Do you want to work in business? Have you considered an accounting degree? Ms. Safa graduated with from Temple's Fox School of Business with a degree in both accounting and Spanish. She started her career in tax for PwC and has since transitioned into a recruiting.

Monday, March 26: Law Enforcement, Period 3, FPC

Thinking about a career in law enforcement? Come hear what it's really like keeping our streets and our school safe from David Egleston!

****Look out for more speakers being added throughout the month! Sign up in the Future Planning Center!**