

FREDERICK V. PANKOW CENTER

CONNECTIONS



Dates to Remember:

September 30
Open House
6:30-8:00

October 13
Evening Parent
Teacher
Conferences

October 14
Afternoon and
Evening Parent
Teacher
Conferences

October 15
No School for
Pankow
Students and
Teachers

The
L'Anse
Creuse
Annual
Report
can be found
at:

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NEW PANKOW STAFF

The Frederick V. Pankow Center is proud to welcome the following new staff members:

Melissa Emke

Special Education/CI Teacher

Melissa graduated from the University of Michigan-Flint with a B.A. and M.A. For the past four years, she has been working as a substitute teacher in the Flint area. She has also worked as a volunteer in various Genesee Intermediate School District special education facilities.



Greg Henery

Mandarin Chinese Teacher

Greg learned Mandarin Chinese in the Army at the Defense Language Institute in Monterey, CA. Greg spent almost 9 years in the Army serving as a Chinese translator. After leaving the Army, he spent over two years working at a nonprofit youth camp, doing experiential education. He will finish his Master's program at MSU in May.



James Nuechterlein

Biology / AP Biology Teacher

Jim comes to us with many years of teaching at High School – North. He has experience with all levels of Biology including AP. He is a graduate of Michigan State.



Claire Stuve

Algebra II / Physics Teacher

Claire Stuve joins us from L'Anse Creuse High School – North. She has degrees in math and physics, and she is currently finishing her Master's degree in instructional technology.



ASVAB Testing

The Frederick V. Pankow Center will be offering the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB) on December 9th, 2010. The aptitude test includes multiple sections: General Science, Arithmetic Reasoning, Work Knowledge, Paragraph Comprehension, Mathematics Knowledge, Electronics Information, Auto and Shop Information and Mechanical Comprehension. The assessment results come back with a career assessment that allows students to use their test results and career interests to identify possible career options. Students who plan on entering the military after high school are encouraged to sign-up in the main office of the Pankow Center to take the assessment. Students who are thinking about the military or have an interest in using the results to research career options are also encouraged to sign-up.

Financial Aid Night

On Monday, November 22nd, L'Anse Creuse will be hosting a Financial Aid Night in the JAPAC Auditorium. Parents of students who are seniors in high school should attend if they would like to learn more about completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FASFA). Nancy Gibson from Macomb Community College will be the guest speaker and will help walk participants through the FASFA application process.

New Course Offering—Mandarin Chinese

Mandarin Chinese I is an introductory course to the Mandarin Chinese language. During this 1-year course, students will be introduced to approximately 400 words on topics such as greetings, family, dates and times, hobbies, visiting friends, making appointments, school life, shopping, and transportation. Course materials will focus on both oral and written language to ensure that students are progressing towards literacy and fluency in Mandarin Chinese.

Want to learn too? Hello! = Nǐ hǎo! = 你好

High School Credits for Working

The co-op program, also known as the externship program, lets students earn elective credits toward graduation. The job must be related to the Career and Technical Education program that students are taking at the Pankow Center or a Marketing class at their high school. Students must apply for the program with Mr. Brisson in room 301 at the Pankow Center as soon as possible. Students must log 150 work hours in a semester in order to earn one credit. All students are encouraged to participate in co-op even if they don't need the credits to graduate as it looks good on college applications and a resume.

If students or parents have any questions about co-op, please contact:

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No 'I' in Team!

Ninth grade students entering their first year in the L'Anse Creuse Math, Science and Technology program at the Pankow Center were building connections with their classmates. During their first few days, Mrs. Pyper and Mr. Nuechterlein, set-up some interactive team building exercises for them to participate in. Pictured below are students during the activities.

