

Palmer Ridge High School
January 10, 2019

REMINDER!
**CAREER START (formerly AVP) STUDENT/PARENT
INFORMATION NIGHT**

The Career Start Information Night for the 2019-2020 school year is on **Wednesday, January 16th at 6:00 pm. This is a district meeting in the auditorium at Palmer Ridge High School** and is for interested students who will be juniors and seniors in the 2019-2020 school year (current sophomores and juniors). This meeting is for **new** Career Start students only.

If your student is even remotely interested in Career Start, I urge your attendance as **the parent meeting is a mandatory component of the application process**. Your student's application will not be considered unless parents have attended the parent meeting. It is pivotal that parents and students have a complete understanding of the Career Start Program and its requirements before they apply.

Is Career Start for me?

Is your student passionate about Zookeeping? Culinary Arts? Welding? Career Start at Pikes Peak Community College provides occupational skill development and training for junior and senior high school students from all over the Pikes Peak region. Students select a program of their interest and attend PPCC five days a week. The programs are listed on PPCC's website under High School Programs- here is the link for more information (programs are listed at the bottom of this link)
<https://www.ppcc.edu/high-school-programs/Information-for-counselors>

Students attending Career Start earn credit which can be applied toward high school graduation as well as college credit. They will attend Career Start at PPCC and return to PRHS for their 4th and 8th periods every day. Transportation is provided. For more information about Career Start in District 38, please visit PRHS's Counseling Department page, under "College Credit Opportunities".
<https://www.lewispalmer.org/Page/9824>

In the weeks following the Student/Parent Information night, there will be a field trip opportunity for students who want to apply to Career Start. The students will go to PPCC and visit two of the Career Start programs. The field trip options are during the school day on **Friday, February 1 or Friday, February 8th**. The Career Start bus will transport the students to PPCC and will depart from PRHS at 7:45 am and return at approximately 12:30pm. Students will be able to eat 2nd lunch and proceed to their last period class at PRHS. A parent permission form for this field trip must be signed and returned to **Mrs. Feil in Neighborhood C** by January 24th. There are only 45 seats per school per field trip. The student will also need to sign up for the field trip with Mrs. Feil when turning in the permission form. The permission forms and field trip forms will be

available at the Parent/Student information night for your convenience. The field trip is the second mandatory component of the application process.

If you have any questions about if Career Start is right for your student, please contact your student's assigned counselor.

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If you have any questions or concerns about the parent night, please contact Lindsey Eason at leason@lewispalmer.org.

**If your student is CURRENTLY in the Career Start program, you do NOT need to attend this parent meeting.

**If your student is interested in the Cosmetology program at the International Salon and Spa Academy, your attendance at this night event is not mandatory.