

CTE CHATTER

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New Faces in the CTE Department

April Blanchard



Mrs. April Blanchard is the new CTE Department Secretary. Mrs. Blanchard is a graduate of PNG. After high school, she moved to Oklahoma for school but after that returned to Mid County. April was in the banking industry for 16 years before coming to work for PNG. She and her husband also pastor at ThrivingHouse together and have two beautiful daughters. *"I am so excited to back at PNG. Everyone has been so helpful and welcoming and just makes me proud to be part PNG and the CTE Department!"*

Morgan Jones



Ms. Jones is the new Computer Programming and Business Information Management teacher as well as coaching Freshman Basketball and Junior Varsity Softball at PN-GHS. She has been teaching for five years. Ms. Jones graduated from PN-GHS in 2006 and is excited to be back in the tradition of excellence. Before teaching, Ms. Jones was the Photographer/ Photo Editor at the Port Arthur News. In her spare time, she enjoys training and running marathons.

Jerry Honza



Coach Jerry Honza is the new Statistics teacher at PN-G High School. Well known in Southeast Texas as a passionate champion for youth and youth development initiatives, Coach Honza brings a unique set of skills and experience to the assignment. A graduate from Texas A&M University with a BBA in Finance and extensive coursework in Engineering, Coach Honza is coming back to his "math" roots. *"When I was approached and asked to consider the opportunities here at PNG, I knew this was something I needed to do. These types of opportunities don't come along very often."* Coach Honza, who is also a certified PGA Professional will also be coaching the Boys Golf Team. He is married to Sharon Milner Honza, a Groves native, and together they have three (mostly) grown children and two grandchildren.



John Guerrero



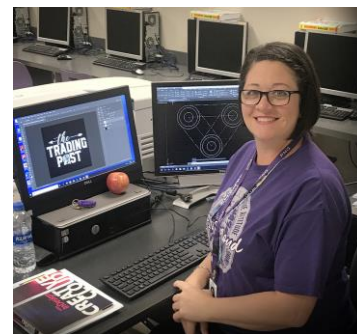
Mr. Guerrero is the new automotive shop teacher at PNGHS. Mr. Guerrero has been a mechanic all his life or at least as far as he can remember. At the age of 8 he says he was the neighborhood bike mechanic! As a high school student at Thomas Jefferson HS in Port Arthur, he started his first job at Firestone his senior year in the automotive program. Mr. Guerrero worked for 13 years with General Motors, managed a retail tire store for 3 years where he learned the skill set for being a lead worker/manager and a teacher to the young upcoming technicians. Prior to coming to PNG, Mr. Guerrero worked for TxDOT as a technician in the Beaumont district shop for 5 years where he performed multiple tasks including welding/fabrication, became a more involved manager/lead worker to his peers, was an interim office manager, and learned more in depth the “safety in the workplace” aspect that he says has been life changing. In his spare time, he enjoys fishing with his son, antiquing with his wife, and tinkering with cars and trucks at his shop.



Ms. Siau is the new Principles of Architecture teacher in the CTE department. She is also the teacher for a new class that PNGHS is proud to have this year, Printing & Imaging. Ms. Siau graduated from PNGHS in 1988. Her oldest daughter graduated in 2012, and she has two young children that attend PNE and PNMS.

After working as a graphic designer for nearly 25 years for several print shops and at e.Sullivan Advertising, she decided to go back to college and complete her art degree that she started at age 18. She couldn't be happier to start this new class at PNGHS, and she is so proud of how creative the students have been already at the beginning of the year. Ms. Siau hopes to show off the talents of each student, around the district as the year goes by, with different projects they will be doing.

Tish Siau



Jeremy Brister



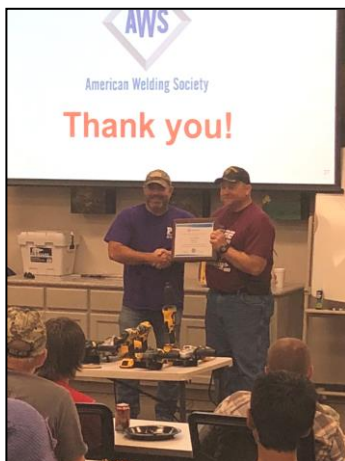
Mr. Jeremy Brister joined the CTE faculty last spring as our new welding teacher. Mr. Brister is a graduate of Hamshire-Fannett High School and served in the U.S. Army – scout – first sergeant in Iraq and Afghanistan from 1996-2014. After his service in the U.S. Army, he was the JROTC instructor at Channelview ISD. Mr. Brister has an AWS in Welding Technology and is a Certified Welding Inspector. Thank you for your service to our country, Mr. Brister, and welcome to the Reservation!



Ken Mitchell



Mr. Ken Mitchell is from West Orange, Texas, and is at Groves Middle School. After graduating from West Orange, he joined the US Navy in 1978 and worked night flight operations on the USS Kitty Hawk and the USS Enterprise. In 1984 he moved to Dallas and worked as a Service Manager for the largest copier dealer in the region until 1989. Mr. Mitchell says this led him to joining the Corporate Office of JC Penney Communications Department for 13 years. Following a layoff in 2001, he started his own business as a contractor for the City of Frisco, Texas. In 2004 he obtained a job with Schoolhouse Audio/Visual until 2010. Mr. Mitchell says that, “Of all the jobs I've had in the past, I find that teaching is the most rewarding of all!”



DID YOU KNOW?

The National Career Clusters® Framework provides a vital structure for organizing and delivering quality CTE programs through learning and comprehensive programs of study. In total, there are 16 Career Clusters in the National Career Clusters Framework, representing more than 79 Career Pathways to help students navigate their way to greater success in college and career.



AWS Award

Jeremy Brister, PNG welding teacher, was recently nominated for an award for outstanding service to the American Welding Society.



Industry Certifications

A record number of 130 Perkins grant industry certifications were earned for the 2017-2018 school year in the following areas:

- Certified Nurse Aide = 20
- AWS D1.1 Welding = 3
- Microsoft Office Specialist Master = 1
- Microsoft Office Specialist Word = 18
- Microsoft Office Specialist Excel Expert = 2
- Microsoft Office Specialist Excel = 10
- Microsoft Office Specialist PowerPoint = 17
- Microsoft Office Specialist Access = 1
- Cosmetology, Operator License = 3
- NCCER Core = 11
- Adobe Photoshop = 16
- Adobe InDesign = 12
- Introduction to Incident Command System ICS-100 by the US Dept. of Homeland Security – FEMA = 16

Other certifications earned by CTE students in 2017-2018 include:

- Highly Qualified Paraprofessional = 21
- Adobe Illustrator = 6

Congratulations to our CTE students earning industry certifications! We look forward to 2018-2019!

Computer Programming

Ms. Jones' computer programming students take a break from CodeHS on Fridays to code Spheros around a maze in the classroom.



Cosmetology Services



Cosmetology students are taking appointments on Thursday and Friday each week.

All appointments are in the afternoon from 12 – 2 p.m. Schedule appointments by calling 729-7644 ext. 239 or see any cosmetology student.

COSMETOLOGY PRICE LIST

Shampoo & Style/Set	\$ 5.00
Haircut	\$ 4.00
Perm Wave.....	\$ 12.00
Color (short hair) \$10.00 & (long hair) \$ 20.00	
Foil Highlights (up to 6 foils).....	\$ 10.00
Foil Highlights (7 or more foils)	\$ 15.00
Eyebrow Wax/Arch.....	\$ 2.00
Eyebrow Tint	\$ 3.00
Hot Oil Manicure.....	\$ 5.00
Manicure.....	\$4.00
Pedicure	\$ 6.00
Facial.....	\$ 6.00

CTE Advisory Committee

The PN-GHS CTE Advisory Committee serves in an advisory capacity to provide leadership in and promote the development of the CTE program as it relates to and meets the needs of the students, the community, and the public.

The first meeting of this school year will be held in October.



Criminal Justice Happenings

The PNGHS Criminal Justice students have been busy this fall. Events include volunteering at the *Port Arthur Guns and Hoses Benevolent Fund* annual clay shoot fundraiser in September and at the Port Neches Police Department's *National Night Out* event in October.



PNG CRIMINAL JUSTICE CLUB



STEM Grant Award

CTE teachers Brian Cates at Port Neches Middle School and Paul Paris at PN-G High School were recently awarded STEM grants from Huntsman. Way to go!!



A “thank you” goes out to the CTE teachers who provided information for this newsletter!