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College Pathways

College Within The High School

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SCHOOL IN THE SPOTLIGHT: DUBOIS CENTRAL CATHOLIC



We were recently invited to Mr. Jim Murphy's Research Writing class at DuBois Central Catholic. DuBois Central Catholic, in DuBois, PA has been offering College Within the High School classes since the summer of 2003.

This particular class is currently working on their research papers. I was impressed with their topics and the time they have taken to reach out to Subject Matter Experts in their respective fields of study. Various topics include: "How Music Instruction Affects the Brain," "Sexual Assault on College Campuses," and "Should Accused Steroid Users be in the National Baseball Hall of Fame?" One particular student had an opportunity to

interview Dr. Alexander "Sandy" Shor, Associate Dean for Research, School of Ocean and Earth Science and Technology at the University of Hawaii for her paper on "Ocean Research and Funding."

In addition to Research Writing taught by Mr. Jim Murphy, Mrs. Kate Kunkle is offering Speech, and Mrs. Deidre Minns is teaching a section of General Psychology.

All photos and student quotes seen in this edition are of the Research Writing class.

VISIT THE BC3 ARMSTRONG CAMPUS

Butler County Community College's roots in Armstrong County have deepened and spread since the August 2015 opening of an off-campus center in Ford City.

Today there are 80 collegians taking 19 classes at BC3 @ Armstrong, housed in Lenape Tech's NexTier Adult Learning Center, a student body increase of 248% in 18 months.

"There is a demand for higher education and we are an affordable option," says Karen Zapp, BC3 @ Armstrong student services and support specialist.

BC3 @ Armstrong offers associate degree programs in psychology, general studies and business administration, and is implementing a technical trades-radiologic technology degree in partnership with Armstrong County Memorial Hospital.

Nine BC3 @ Armstrong students last fall were named to the President's List with grade-point averages of at least 3.75. Six students, with GPAs of 3.50 to 3.74, earned dean's list honors, Zapp says.

BC3 @ Armstrong also offers pre-nursing support courses.

Four high school students are currently taking college-level courses through BC3's College Pathways program at BC3 @ Armstrong. Twenty students took a general psychology course held in Armstrong Junior-Senior High in fall 2016 and in spring 2017 twenty-one students from Lenape Tech are enrolled in American National Government and Principles of Sociology as part of the College Within the High School program.



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STUDENTS IN THE SPOTLIGHT

BC3 continues its partnership with DuBois Central Catholic to offer English 101 & English 102 with Mr. Murphy. We took the time to meet up with Mr. Murphy's English 102: Research Writing class and here's what we learned from the current students:

- 1. What is the topic of your research paper?
- 2. What do you like best about the College Within the High School program?
- 3. What would you tell students who are interested in the College Within the High School classes?

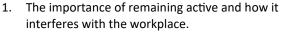


- . The use of illegal drug use in rural towns and how these drugs get here
- It's awesome because you can save a lot of money taking classes now. It also gets classes out of the way for college.
- Take these classes now so you don't have to later. Save money & time.

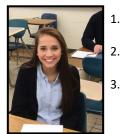
Noah Pettenati



Mark Latuska



- 2. The preparation we receive and the familiarity with the workload are resources.
- Make the most of the class. Come to every class with attentiveness and an eagerness to learn. Take advantage of the wonderful teacher and instructor that Mr. Murphy is.



- Sexual Assault on College Campuses focusing on the 1 in 5 study
- Definitely getting the credits early. Specifically this class because it fits into my normal schedule.
- Do it!! You may not want the extra work, but it will literally pay off. These classes are a lot cheaper and easier. You really can't pass it up.

Alexsis Kosko



Riley Assalone

- 1. Ocean Research & Funding
- I like taking college classes in high school because it prepares me for college in the future. It's also a good feeling knowing I could potentially have a whole semester of college completed before I even get to campus, while saving money.
- I would encourage grades below me to take classes in high school for the reasons stated above. It's a great preparation and takes some of the stress out of preparing/paying for college.



Alex Pendolino

- 1. How music instruction affects the brain
- I can get several college credits for a fraction of the original price before I get out of high school.
- 3. It's a very good idea and can let you get a head start on life.



- 1. Sexual Assault on College Campuses
- 2. Small class sizes help us learn material extremely well and prepare us for college
- 3. Take this class! It's fun writing about a topic of your choice and learning how to write papers for college.

STUDENTS IN THE SPOTLIGHT



3.

Jackson Frank

They will help you out so much and get you ready for college. It will also save you money.

1. Should accused steroid users like (Barry Bonds, Rodger Clemens,

2. I like it because then when next year comes around, I won't have to take these college courses in college and it will lighten up my

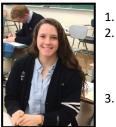
I would tell them that you definitely want to take these classes.

etc.) be in the National Baseball Hall of Fame?

schedule. It also gets you ready for college.



Macey Hanes

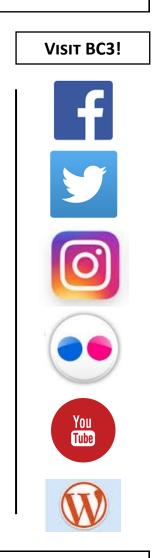


- What is impulsivity and how does it relate to why people murder? Looking at the biology of the brain and linking it with murders.
- I know my peers very well as I have grown up with them. The 2. student to teacher ratio is very small which helps get more one on one time. Mr. Murphy is one of the wisest teachers I have ever had. I also know him very well.
- I would tell them to take advantage of as many classes that they can 3. take. It is so beneficial to take them in high school and get them out of the way. They will be thanking themselves later.



Jordy Frank

- Dream Research
- 2. I like this class because it gives me an insight as to what college work is going to be like and what college professors expect. It is helpful because I can transfer this class credit to the college I'm going to attend.
 - I think every high schooler should consider taking these classes. It is very helpful to already be ahead when you start college.



SAT PREP CLASS

Do you plan on taking or re-taking the SAT? Need some help? BC3's SAT Prep class may be just what you need to get a good score or improve your score.

BC3 Main Campus:

July 10th-13th & July 17th-20th; 8 sessions (Mon-Thurs.)

The course includes preparation in writing, critical reading and math and reflects the current content of the SAT. Students will take a practice exam, use simulated materials, and learn test taking strategies. Tuition of \$169 includes textbook.

For more information, contact Paul Lucas, Director of LifeLong Learning, at 724-287-8711 ext. 8229.

FAQ: HOW DO I TRANSFER MY BC3 CREDITS

Simply complete a **Transfer Request Form.** All students are mailed a Transfer Request Form in the Welcome packet that included their tuition bill or receipt. The form is found in the CWHS Student Handbook too. Students can also get a downloadable version from the Butler County Community College website:

- Go to bc3.edu. Type "Transcript Request Form" in • the search box
- Hit "Search" •
- Print the form, Complete it and mail or fax it to the • office of Records and Registration.
- The first one is free and each additional is \$4.00.

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SPRING 2017 COLLEGE WITHIN THE HIGH SCHOOL CLASS SCHEDULE

SUBJECT	TIME	DAYS	HIGH SCHOOL
Managerial Accounting	1:56-2:37pm	MTWRF	Mars
Marketing	12:15-2:50pm	F	E-Academy-Mercer
Marketing	12:15-2:50pm	F	E-Academy-Butler
Speech	10:31-11:02am	MTWRF	Mars
Speech	10:03-10:42am	MTWRF	Portersville CS
Speech	11:07-11:45am	MTWRF	Mars
Speech	9:00-11:45am	S	DuBois CC
Macroeconomics	6:50-7:50am	TR	Farrell
Microeconomics	9:22-10:04am	MTWRF	West Middlesex
Microeconomics	10:54-11:35am	MTWRF	West Middlesex
Microeconomics	11:07-11:48am	MTWRF	Mars
College Writing	12:30-1:12pm	MTWRF	Butler
College Writing	1:13-1:53pm	MTWRF	Mohawk
College Writing	1:56-2:36pm	MTWRF	Mohawk
Research Writing	9:11-9:51am	MTWRF	Portersville CS
Research Writing	10:15-11:00am	MTWRF	DuBois CC
Research Writing	11:00-11:45am	MTWRF	DuBois CC
World Geography	6:45-7:35am	MTWRF	Reynolds
20th Century History	6:30-7:25am	MWF	Knoch
20th Century History	3:00-4:30pm	MW	Summit Academy
Intermediate Algebra	3:30-5:00pm	TWR	George Junior
Elementary Statistics	11:53am-12:34pm	MTWRF	Mars
Intro to Music	3:30-6:30pm	М	Brockway
Intro to Philosophy	12:17-12:59pm	MTWRF	Seneca Valley
Intro to Philosophy	3:30-6:30pm	W	Evangel Heights
Intro to Religions	10:44-11:23am	MTWRF	Portersville CS
Amer. National Gov't	8:23-9:18am	MTWRF	Lenape
General Psychology	7:45-8:36am	MTWRF	Lincoln
General Psychology	11:07-11:48am	MTWRF	Mars
General Psychology	1:10-1:51pm	MTWRF	Mars
General Psychology	2:02-2:44pm	MTWRF	Butler
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General Psychology	6:30-7:20am	MTWRF	Keystone
General Psychology	3:15-6:25pm	Т	Brockway
General Psychology	10:30am-12:00pm	TR	Summit Academy
Prin. Of Sociology	2:02-2:44pm	MTWRF	Butler
Prin. Of Sociology	3:00-4:30pm	TR	DuBois CC
Prin. Of Sociology	2:23-2:52pm	MTWRF	Union
Prin. Of Sociology	9:21-10:16am	MTWRF	Lenape
Prin. Of Sociology	1:45-2:40pm	MTWRF	Lenape

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BC3 Bookstore	x8503	
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Continuing Education	x8246	
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