

1. Invited to and attended at meeting hosted by the Southern Alleghenies Museum of Art to explore opportunities for teachers and students.
2. All administrators attended (full day) part two of the PA Leadership Development Center training on customizing learning for students; held in our outdoor classroom. Presenters were Dr. Jay Scott and Dr. Pat O'Toole. Teams of administrators will complete a customized learning project as part of obtaining Act 45 hours.
3. Attended the PA Local Government Investment Trust (PLGIT) Trustees meeting in Bedford. All costs covered by PLGIT. I was elected (5 years) by the shareholders of PLGIT to continue as a Trustee and serve on the PLGIT executive committee. I serve on the Audit and the Participant Services committees. PLGIT manages over \$5 billion dollars for municipalities and school districts across Pennsylvania. As part of their new strategic plan, I presented on how PLGIT can best serve schools and municipalities. Highlights: Tax cuts and Federal spending increased the Gross Domestic Product; Labor market conditions are positive; the value of the dollar continued to improve; Geopolitical issues have caused oil prices to increase; expect the Federal Reserve to increase interest rates again.
4. The Stackpole-Hall Board of Trustees visited us just before school started. They were very impressed with their investment in the CNA program. Thank you to all involved in this success.
5. Opening in-services about celebrating our positives; building relationships with and get to know students; to identify and support students with difficult home lives; and curriculum mapping went well... I have been in all buildings and talked with many students and staff... my favorite spot is to sit on one of the benches outside the HS cafeteria as students are dismissed and having lunch with six 8th grade leaders (we took over Noel's office)... a very positive start.... so Go Dutch!!!
6. I received a call from Jean Dyszal at PDE. She requested that we present at the Standards Aligned Systems State Conference in December. She said, "I have heard that St. Marys has a fabulous career pathways model." I told her that I will work out the details and she can count on us.
7. Met with Tamara Kemmler of PLGIT this week. We finally have the procurement card (Pcard) process and application submitted. This will help streamline purchases, keep better track of expenditures, allow more flexibility in making purchases and depending how much we spend will provide a rebate check at the end of the year. The Pcard will be used to purchase anything from pencils to electricity. We will need to approve a new Board resolution for this in October.
8. Invited to attend the Northern PA Regional College special meeting with Powdered Metal/manufacturers to discuss curriculum needs and use of our facilities.
9. Met with Rod Sanders from Eidex about furthering our use of their data comparison product. We use it heavily already. Included a trip to the Elk Center for Rod.
10. Cooked hot dogs to support the PTO at the Elementary Night Football game. I DID NOT eat any of the kid's hot dogs.
11. Former student Bryce Lanzel had a recent honor bestowed upon him. He is a 2016 graduate of SMAHS and a member the Coast Guard's Honor Guard. He was chosen to be a pall- bearer at Senator McCain's funeral.
12. The Dance Team, led by Jen Tamburlin, was selected to perform at the PASA/PSBA Leadership Conference Student Showcase in Hershey on Thursday, October 18, 2018 from 7-9pm.

**Go Dutch!**