

Connecting Education and Nontraditional Careers – Focus on Success

The Hotel Hershey, Hershey, PA
March 1-2, 2008

Pre-Conference

The Bureau of Career and Technical Education and Penn State Greater Allegheny is sponsoring a pre-conference workshop prior to the Pennsylvania Association of Vocational Education Special Needs Personnel (PAVESNP) Mid-Winter Conference. Registration is open to all personnel who work with students enrolled in career and technical education programs and is limited to 50 participants.

The Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Improvement Act advocates a continuous quality improvement process using core indicators and performance measures to help learners succeed in career and technical education programs. To ensure that all learners have the opportunity to attain the highest level of performance, it is critical that a continuum of quality support be coordinated to guide and reinforce improved performance among students with barriers to success. The Perkins Act establishes accountability in eight areas – two of the areas are (1) **nontraditional participation** and (2) **nontraditional completion** of career and technical education programs.

To assist locals in meeting these core indicators of performance for nontraditional participation we have invited Barbara Bitters, Equity Coordinator and Assistant State Director from Wisconsin who will present a session on the national perspective and what other states are doing to accomplish this goal. She is very involved in the National Alliance for Partnerships in Equity and will discuss their role in improving the achievement of special population students in secondary and postsecondary programs that lead to high-skill, high-wage and nontraditional careers.

In addition, Lynn Reha, Director, and Aimee Julian, Research Coordinator, from the Illinois Center for Specialized Professional Support at Illinois State University will discuss the New Look Project that helps educators identify strengths and challenges in programs which prepare learners for occupations which are nontraditional with regard to gender. The goal of the self-study process is to enable local programs to identify strengths and challenges in recruiting and retaining learners preparing for nontraditional occupations.

This pre-conference and workshop will be held on Saturday, March 1 beginning at 1:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m., with registration at noon; on Sunday, March 2, beginning at 8:00 a.m. and conclude at noon with lunch. The PAVESNP Mid-Winter Conference will begin at 1:00 p.m. and conclude on Monday, March 3 after the Luncheon. Act 48 hours will be available to those participants who complete the entire eight-hour workshop.

There is no registration fee. Overnight room rates for this pre-conference workshop are:

Single/Double room – \$119.00 (Meals paid by workshop)

Meals (Saturday dinner, Sunday breakfast and Sunday lunch) will be provided by the workshop. You must ask for the group reservations office and mention *Penn State Greater Allegheny* as the group name. Overnight guests will pay the overnight room rate directly to the Hotel Hershey. Hotel reservations must be made directly with the Hotel Hershey at (717) 533-2171 or (800) 437-7439.

Register me for the pre-conference workshop, *Connecting Education and Nontraditional Careers* . . .

NAME _____

TITLE _____

INSTITUTION _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

WORK PHONE _____ E-MAIL _____

If you have any questions concerning this pre-conference workshop, please call (412) 675-9065. Return this registration form to: *Education Resource Center, Penn State Greater Allegheny, 4000 University Drive, McKeesport, PA 15132. Fax: (412) 675-9067 E-mail: lvb6@psu.edu.*

PAVESNP MID-WINTER CONFERENCE

Connecting Education and Careers for Special Populations

March 2-3, 2008 – The Hotel Hershey, Hershey, PA

TENTATIVE AGENDA

SUNDAY, MARCH 2, 2008

11:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Conference Registration
1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.	Keynote Session
2:00 p.m. – 2:55 p.m.	Concurrent Session
3:15 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.	Concurrent Session
4:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	PAVESNP General Membership Meeting
6:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.	PAVESNP Professional Awards Recognition Dinner

MONDAY, MARCH 3, 2008

7:00 a.m. – 8:15 a.m.	Breakfast
7:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.	Conference Registration
8:15 a.m. – 8:55 a.m.	General Session
9:00 a.m. – 9:55 a.m.	Concurrent Sessions
10:00 a.m. – 10:55 a.m.	Concurrent Sessions
11:00 a.m. – 11:55 a.m.	Concurrent Sessions
12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.	PAVESNP Life/Work Challenge Awards Luncheon

TENTATIVE PRESENTATION TOPICS

- *State Update from PA Department of Education Representatives*
- *Promote and Retain Nontraditional Students in Career and Technical Education*
- *Review Strategies for All Disciplines – Engaging Students*
- *Providing Math Support in Career and Technical Education Programs*
- *How Workforce Development Partners are Championing Career Development*
- *Career Facilitation for All Students*
- *Easy CEWS Integration: Department of Labor and Industry's Career Publications*
- *How to Use and Benefit From the Pennsylvania Shared Work Website*
- *Using O*Net Labor Market Information and Resources*
- *How to Convince a Student in 20 Minutes That High School is Not Enough!*
- *Reading Apprenticeship Program*



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REGISTRATION FORM

Up to 7 Act 48 Hours available (3 on Sunday and 4 on Monday)

Please register me for the PAVESNP Mid-Winter Conference. (Registration is at 11:30 a.m. and the Conference begins at 1:00 p.m. on March 2, 2008.)

NAME _____

INSTITUTION _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

WORK PHONE _____ HOME PHONE _____

FAX _____ E-MAIL _____

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION (Refunds available prior to February 28, 2008)

\$40.00	Pre-Registration	PAVESNP Members
\$50.00	Pre-Registration	Non-Members
\$45.00	On-Site Registration	PAVESNP Members
\$55.00	On-Site Registration	Non-Members

COMMUTER MEALS PACKAGE for those not staying at the hotel (all tax and gratuities included).

Sunday Dinner	\$70.00
Monday Breakfast	\$21.00
Monday Lunch	\$34.00

I have enclosed a check for the following: Pre-Registration \$ _____

Commuter Meals \$ _____

Total \$ _____

HOTEL RESERVATIONS MUST BE MADE DIRECTLY WITH THE HOTEL HERSHEY AT (717) 533-2171. Ask for Group Reservations. PAVESNP Conference Overnight Package includes your room for Sunday night, dinner, breakfast and lunch.

Double room with meals	\$188.00 (you must find your own roommate)
Single room with meals	\$255.00

ALL CHARGES ARE INCLUDED IN THIS PRICE. You must ask for group reservations at the Hotel Hershey and mention that you are with the PAVESNP Conference. Overnight guests will pay the *Conference Overnight Package* directly to the Hotel Hershey (excluding conference registration). Hotel reservations made after February 1, 2008 will be on an availability basis. Refunds available until 4:00 p.m. Wednesday, February 28, 2008.

Return this form and your Conference Registration check payable to PAVESNP to:
Kenneth Deitmen, PaTTAN Harrisburg, 6340 Flank Drive, Suite 600, Harrisburg, PA 17112
1-800-360-7282 ext. 3713