

The Crossroads Connection

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PBL PRESENTATIONS TONIGHT

Thank you for joining us for Crossroads' second PBL Presentation night.

The students have been preparing for this evening since the quarter started in November.

Every student was given the opportunity to take a PBL (project based learning) class for the last two classes of the day. The class has an overall topic, but the students were allowed to choose their own focus and project.

Students were given the academic standards they had to meet, but they came up with their own driving questions... and their projects are created to answer those questions. They have spent the last 3 months researching their topics and determining how to present them.

Some students will be earning academic credit, some will be earning elective credit, and some used the opportunity to do credit retrieval for a class they failed previously.

Please enjoy your walk around Crossroads this evening and ask the students questions! They have worked very hard on these projects and (most of them) are excited to share their research with you.

Your feedback is important to us. If you have any input about how to improve our presentation, or possible PBL topics, please let a staff member know.

The staff would like to thank all the participating students, tonight. This was new to you, and not an easy task.

WE ARE PROUD OF YOU!

Important dates to remember

Mid Winter Break	2/14- 2/17
Social Media Presentation	3/10
Sr. Project Presentations	
Presentations	3/24
Spring Bunny Fundraiser	3/21
Student Led Conferences	3/23 - 3/30
Spring Break	3/30- 4/3
Voices of Youth Presentation Crossroads Commons	4/28
PROM	5/15

4th Annual Bunny Fundraiser

The 4th Annual Bunny Fundraiser will be held on March 21st at Crossroads HS from 11 to 2. Come join us for:

- ◆ Petting and pictures with live bunnies
- ◆ Rock painting
- ◆ Canvas painting classes
- ◆ Craft Sales
- ◆ Easter Bunny Pictures
- ◆ Bake Sale

This is a great way to spend the day with your family and friends, painting and having fun, all while supporting a very important cause: PROM!

Money raised from this fundraiser goes directly to the PROM fund.



We feel that it is important for all Crossroads students to be able to participate in prom night so the Crossroads Prom is FREE for all students to attend.

Your donations will help pay for the venue, dinner, a DJ, a photographer, dessert and decorations.

The bunny fundraiser is the last of this year's fundraisers for prom. So bring your checkbook, get your painting clothes on, and join us on March 21!

Social Media Presentation: The White Hatter

On March 10th, Crossroads will be hosting a “White Hatter” presentation about the dangers of social media with today’s teens. Some of the topics they cover are:

- ◆ The apps that our kids are using today
- ◆ How parents use social media
- ◆ How schools use technology
- ◆ Sexting and Online Dangers

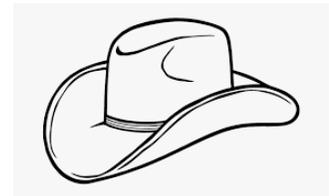
Here is an excerpt from their website, thewhitehatter.ca :

With our over 25 years in business, 30 years of law enforcement experience, Investigative practice, and research background, we offer a completely comprehensive approach to our training programs and services.

We are an internet safety and digital literacy education specialist company based in North America that travels everywhere facilitating workshops and providing presenta-

tions on technology safety and privacy subjects.

The White Hatter is the brand icon of Personal Protection Systems Inc. a company established in 1993. Our mission is to provide students, teachers, parents, adults, businesses, and law enforcement with the knowledge and tools necessary in today’s world.



After School Clubs at Crossroads

The staff at Crossroads HS recognizes that sometimes students need activities after school to keep them busy and give them a positive outlet.

To that end, we have started 2 new clubs this year in addition to Voices of Youth .

The Gaming Club meets Monday’s after school in Mr. Nelson’s room. They are just getting started, and are looking for new members. Do you play

Magic the Gathering? Pokémon? Want to be a Dungeon Master for a game of D&D? See you next Monday!

The Music Club meets Wednesday after school in the Music Portable. Troy Welker, from the District Office, is a guitar player and leads the music group. Bring your instrument if you want, but you don’t have to play an instrument to come in and enjoy the music.

Voices of Youth is an established club that meets on Tuesdays on the stage. Bridgette McVay leads the students in discussions about teenage life and how to deal with the day to day issues of being a teenager. This club also puts on an annual presentation at Crossroads. This year it will be on April 28.

Bored? Lonely? Check out a club.

Most of them provide soda and snacks!

Why aren’t you in class? Do you have a PASS?

The Crossroads Staff is really trying to cut down the amount of students who are out of class during class time.

You can usually see Mr. Farley roaming the halls or Ms. Carlson standing in the hallway ushering students back to class.

WHY?

First, because you can’t be a productive student if you’re not in class for instruction or to complete work.

Secondly, remember when you enrolled,

you signed the Truancy Agreement that you would be on time and stay in class all period long.

And finally, at Crossroads we have 4 main rules...called the BIG 4

1. Stay off your phones
2. Be on time to class
3. **Stay in your class**
4. Don’t interrupt other classes.

As a result of too many students being out of class we have had to close the upstairs bathrooms. Now we’re attempting some new ideas.

Please understand that the staff wants students in class for their educational benefit as well as their safety. Staff will be requiring passes in all areas of the school.

Students skipping class, or defiantly out without a pass, will get a referral and possibly be required to attend Friday School.