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Hello, Counselors - Whew! October is over. What a crazy month! We held 5 GuidanceFest sessions across the state with a total attendance of 248 counselors! We hope you were able to attend. If not, you can find the power point here: <http://www.okcareertech.org/educators/career-and-academic-connections/guidancefest/guidancefest>

Happy Thanksgiving! Tommi



You are invited to attend the **OKCRC Annual Conference** on November 6 at Moore Norman South Penn Campus, 13301 S. Pennsylvania, Oklahoma City. There is no cost to attend the OKCRC Annual Conference--[register today](#).



Starting next year, there will be a **National Counselor of the Year!** Take time to watch this video: [First Lady Addresses School Counselors at the ASCA 2014 Convention](#)

How Much College Help Can You Really Give? – from HS Counselor Week

This is the time of year that truly tries a high school counselor's soul. Sure, it's busy, but when isn't it busy in a high school counseling office? We may have to deal with college applications and testing now, but financial aid will come next, and just when the college application process is dying down we'll get to pick up the scheduling responsibilities we have as part of those "other duties as assigned"....[More](#)

[Report offers alternatives to standardized testing](#) – from ASCD SmartBrief

Schools should focus more on ongoing, "formative" assessments, rather than annual standardized testing, according to a recent report. The report also supports more flexibility for states to design accountability systems and more effective funding strategies. [EdSource](#)

- ✿ A great lesson on identity and self esteem. This video is a great conversation starter with middle or high school students. <http://www.themiddleschoolcounselor.com/2014/10/borrowed-lessons-identity-a-lesson-on.html> (from themiddleschoolcounselor.com)
- ✿ **A veteran teacher shadows 2 students for 2 days – a sobering lesson learned**
<http://grantwiggins.wordpress.com/2014/10/10/a-veteran-teacher-turned-coach-shadows-2-students-for-2-days-a-sobering-lesson-learned/>
- ✿ **Man sacrifices his own health to help others...**
http://sfglobe.com/?id=15150&src=share_fb_new_15150
- ✿ **8 Reasons why your middle school student is overwhelmed**
<http://newsok.com/8-reasons-why-your-middle-school-student-is-overwhelmed/article/5343319>

Oklahoma Labor Market Information

Want to see the top 30 fastest growing jobs in Oklahoma or the declining jobs in Oklahoma? Go to the Oklahoma Employment Securities Commission website at:

http://www.ok.gov/oesc_web/Services/Find_Labor_Market_Statistics/Projections/trends2018.html

[Current Students Share Advice on Making the Right College Choice](#) - US News

High school seniors deciding among multiple college acceptances may wonder how they can be sure they are making the right choice. It is no small decision, as this selection will affect the course of their next four years academically, professionally and socially.

- ✿ Great message for girls... [Always #LikeAGirl](#)
- ✿ [Muscatine teacher's invention could save your child's life](#)
- ✿ This is a very enlightening article. **Why kids sext?** – from highschoolcounselor.com
http://www.theatlantic.com/magazine/archive/2014/11/why-kids-sext/380798/?single_page=true

[College Board to overhaul more AP courses](#) – from ASCD SmartBrief

The College Board plans to revise its 36 Advanced Placement courses. Changes include covering fewer topics in courses and emphasizing imaginative thinking over rote memorization. AP biology and physics courses already have been revised. AP European History and AP Art History are scheduled to undergo changes next year. [The Hechinger Report](#)

CTE is the starting point... - from Jim Stone, Director, NRCCTE

As countless headlines have blared recently, there is a growing demand for what are often called "middle-skill" jobs. Jobs that require more than high school typically but less than a baccalaureate degree; jobs that pay well. *USAToday* reported on, "[Where the jobs are: The new blue collar.](#)"

[Spotlight: 25-plus job titles that fall under STEM](#) – from ASCD SmartBrief

Seventy-four percent of individuals with science, technology, engineering and math degrees do not hold jobs in STEM fields, according to U.S. Census Bureau data. This blog post shines a light on more than 25 job titles -- from actuaries to natural sciences managers -- that the Bureau includes under its STEM occupations' umbrella. [The Washington Post \(tiered subscription model\)/Answer Sheet blog](#)

And just for you... [Just sharing an inspiring video](#) – from the MiddleSchoolCounselor

I love when people share news clippings, videos, quotes, and other tidbits to make the day brighter. Today my principal emailed our faculty this video. It's great and I felt the need to share it with you.

This video is perfect, as we have been working in Lunch Bunch about how we inspire others. This story is in itself inspiring and this football player definitely will be inspiring others, whether he knows it or not.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gbYGCu26xVU>

This is a story about a remarkable young man from Cherokee, OK, named Tanner Bowman. You will be inspired...

<http://bit.ly/1DvuOcm>

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