

Dear High School Colleague:

It's another exciting year at Pittsburgh Technical Institute and we would like to share important news and key college dates for you and your students.

#### **Early Admissions comes to PTI**

For the first time, PTI offers an early admissions program to 2014 high school graduates. It's simple, there's no cost to apply, and the program extends exclusive benefits. **All participants receive a \$500 Early Admissions Grant**, and the opportunity to receive one of three \$3,000 Early Admissions Scholarships. Plus, early admission students are assured their choice of on-campus or off-campus housing. The details can be found at [www.pti.edu/earlyadmissions](http://www.pti.edu/earlyadmissions), but please note: the deadline for early acceptance is November 15. All paperwork must be received by this date.

#### **AACA cooks up a storm at PTI**

The American Academy of Culinary Arts kitchens are open under the direction of Chef Director Norman Peter Hart and Chef Instructor Amanda Flesch. AACA offers a 15-month certificate and a 21-month associate in science degree, both inclusive of an industry internship.

#### **From braising to brazing**

While culinary students master braising and other cooking methods, welding students are perfecting their MIG, TIG and stick welding techniques. PTI introduced a certificate in Welding Technology and is set to welcome its first capacity class October 15, 2013.

#### **Meeting healthcare's needs**

The School of Nursing at PTI expanded its course offerings and now offers an Associate in Science, Nursing for students interested in a 21-month program that prepares them to sit for the NCLEX-RN licensure exam. Under the capable direction of Dr. Lynette Jack, students in the Practical Nursing program have met extraordinary success on the NCLEX-PN exam exceeding state and national pass rate averages. We expect the same level of success for our NCLEX-RN students.

#### **Energy Technology fuels the region's future**

As Marcellus Shale, Utica Shale and related energy companies expand their footprint in western Pennsylvania and surrounding states, PTI is poised to offer specialized training for mid-stream instrumentation and controls positions. PTI has connected with employers to develop a special Oil and Gas Electronics associate degree program to prepare students for these highly skilled positions.

## Key dates

November 7, 2013 – Grand Opening & Ribbon Cutting, Energy Technology Center

November 15, 2013 – Early Admissions Program Deadline

November 16, 2013 – PTI College Open House

December 6, 2013 – Art and Design Scholarship Deadline

January 16, 2013 – High School Teacher Workshop

February 26, 2014 – Design and Drafting Competition

March 7, 2014 – High School Club and Organization Scholarship Deadline

March 15 – Delivery Deadline, Visions & Voices High School Student Show\*

April 11, 2013 – High School Teacher Workshop

April 12, 2014 – Closing Reception, Visions & Voices High School Student Show\*

July 21, 2014 – Summer Classes Begin

October 14, 2014 – Fall Classes Begin

PTI's website provides detailed information about these events and financial aid programs which are available to all students who qualify. Visit [www.pti.edu](http://www.pti.edu) to learn more.

As the 2013/2014 school year continues, our team of Career Development Specialists looks forward to visiting your classrooms, attending your college fairs, hosting your field trips and welcoming you to one of our workshops that we offer for teachers and counselors every January and April.

Sincerely,



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Associate Director of High School Relations

\*Enclosed is our poster announcing the 2014 Visions & Voices High School Student Show. Please post it on a bulletin board, in a hallway or in a classroom where your students will see it. Thank you.