



THE EDGE

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Connecting2Tomorrow, Inc. Newsletter

"SKILLS TAUGHT TODAY CONNECT US TO A BETTER TOMORROW"

Congratulations to the Chicora Teens!

Connecting2Tomorrow was proud to present its "Teen Life Coaching Skills for Success" workshop to teens in Chicora this summer. Thank you to Pastor John Pistorius and St. John's Reformed Church for hosting us. A special thank you to Devine Inspirations for providing a wonderful concert for the youth who participated in the summer workshops.

C2T Returns to PAR:

We are excited to return to the PAR Program through Butler School District again this year. Our workshop facilitators will provide hour long, weekly sessions with topics including: goal setting, overcoming obstacles, respect, bullying, job skills, work ethics and more!

"Building a Better Tomorrow":

Presented by Connecting2Tomorrow, Inc. This 2 hour workshop is on preparing and marketing for employment for those ages 18 and older as well as those seeking internships. Are you looking to gain an edge

in interviews, advance to the next level and secure the job you've been seeking?
This workshop is for you.



Topics include: marketing yourself with **professional resume skills**; promoting your attributes and experiences on the application process; and **interviewing like a pro**, building an image and brand that will establish you as a professional who is reliable, knowledgeable and credible.

To request this workshop in your area or for your organization call 724-431-6025.

EMPOWERING THE FUTURE!

"Initiative":

Initiative is what keeps us moving forward. It gives us purpose, motivation and direction. Many teenagers and adults lack initiative. In a recent article in *Psychology Today* wrote how "initiative is a misunderstood ability." Grades and knowledge are powerful, but without initiative a teen cannot develop a future. "Initiative is developed in adolescence, through mastery experiences and through supportive relationships that teenagers form with adults. These relationships account for more than 75% of life success – more than IQ and genes combined" (*Psychology Today*, November 2011).

Connecting2Tomorrow teaches skills to foster initiative in each teen so he/she may become a successful adult.

Give your teen the opportunity to exceed in his/her potential and the confidence to succeed in the classroom, at home, on the job, with peers and in life!

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Volunteers:

We are currently accepting new volunteers to be workshop facilitators, mentors, martial arts facilitators and program advisory members. It only takes a few hours a month to help a young person become successful.

Call: 724-431-6025

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BOARD UPDATES

Connecting2Tomorrow Board of Directors, Volunteers and Organizational Staff continually build upon and improve our mission of: "Assisting teens and young adults to obtain basic skills to become productive, responsible and successful members of society."

Congratulations to our newly elected Board Officers:

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Teen Life Coaching Skills for Success

A seven (7) week workshop series for ages 14 to 18.
Topics include: Creating a Vision for Your Future; Motivation; Team Building; Leadership; Conflict Resolution; Taking Barriers and Making them into Resources; The Secret to Succeeding

Banking and Budgeting Workshop

A four (4) week workshop for 18 to 24 year olds.
Skills include: Managing Checking and Saving Accounts; Creating and Maintaining a Personal Budget; Dealing with Credit and how to Protect Yourself

Work Ethics Workshop

A four (4) week workshop for 18 to 24 year olds.
Skills include: Professionally Completing and Submitting Applications; Improving: Occupational Skills; Communication Styles and Interpersonal Skills; Resume Development; Sharpening Interview Skills; Preparing to Enter the Workforce

Workshops are planned and scheduled in various locations in Butler County. To register for an upcoming workshop, please call 724-431-6025, and we can let you know when the next available workshop is in your area.

CONTACTING US

For more information about Connecting2Tomorrow, please visit us on the web:

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Or Email us:

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Or Call us:

724-431-6025

Interested in Volunteering?

We always have room for more! Volunteer a few hours a week or a month.

UPCOMING FUNRAISING EVENTS



Fundraisers

Autumn Evening Dinner Benefit
Enjoy a delicious homemade German dinner

When: November 2, 2013
Where: St. Peter's Hall
127 Franklin Street, Butler
Time: 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm
Presale Tickets: \$8.00
At the Door: \$10.00
Children 11 and under: \$5.00
Take outs are available
Raffle and Bake Sale, too!

To order Tickets, Call: 724-431-6025 ext. 803
or online at:

www.autumndinner.eventbright.com



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Donations are always appreciated:

- * Monetary Donations/Gift Cards
- * Construction Paper
- * White Poster Board
- * Copy Paper
- * Pens/Pencils
- * Scissors
- * Glue
- * Balloons
- * Disinfecting Wipes
- * Hand Sanitizer
- * Colored Markers or Sharpies
- * Colored Pocket Portfolios