

PUTNAM COUNTY COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #535

Recommendation for the Board of Education

Meeting: June 24th, 2025

Item: Approval of PaCE Frameworks for PCJH and PCHS

Recommendation: I recommend the Board of Education approve the PaCE Frameworks for PCJH and PCHS.

By July 1st, 2025, all school districts are required to adopt and implement a <u>PaCE Framework</u> (Post-Secondary and Career Expectations) for grades 6 through 12. These frameworks are designed to guide students as they prepare for college and careers after high school. Each grade level includes specific benchmarks that build upon one another, helping students develop essential skills and knowledge over time. Examples of these tasks include completing a career interest survey, writing a resume, learning about financial responsibilities such as bills and loans, and participating in career exploration activities.

PCJH and PCHS have been developing and refining these frameworks over the last year. I consider these frameworks to be in the early stages, as they will continue to evolve and improve with ongoing input from teachers and staff as they integrate the benchmarks into their curricula.