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NEW YEAR NEW START

NEW VICE PRINCIPAL

Featured Article: Freshman
Advice

8 New Teachers



Freshman Tips

By: Israel Alford

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Teachers want to get to know their students. When you get to know your teacher you begin to know what your teacher expects of you and when you develop a certain friendship with a person it creates a responsibility on your side of the friendship. This way you will be steward over your academics and areas of life. Your teachers are there to help so it is vital that you be the highly unpleasant, abominable and loathsome student. You have to be the best student that you can possibly be in school.

2. You do not want to begin to apply for college activities between your academics and something.



Newark Tech academics you will find yourself falling into depression because you have not created a balance in your life.

3. **Don't stay up late**-You may want to get in the habit of falling to sleep a bit early. But at the same time you want to find the sleep schedule that works for you. I have a different kind of sleep schedule. On day's I don't have to do something immediately go somewhere afterschool; I go home and go straight to sleep. I then wake up at 3:00am to do homework and stay up until its time to go to school. On the days I do that I find myself less tired and getting a lot of work done but everyone has a different schedule that fits them.

4. **Make a Study Plan**-Figure out the days you can study and the hours and conditions that you study best. I find that I study best during lunch time and after school at Rutgers. Note taking and paying attention in class should be part of your study plan for freshman year success. Paying attention in class and taking good notes will make your studying light and easy. The moment you find out about a test create a plan to start studying test material. If you study early you will have time to ask a teacher or friend about

confusing or missing information in your notes. Don't wait until the last minute to study or 15 minutes before the tests especially if you did not pay attention to the lesson in class. Freshman year success requires a plan.

How to Survive Your Freshman Year in High School



TEAL 10

In November 2014, the Newark Tech campus expanded The Technology Enhanced Active Learning (TEAL 10) concept to grade 10 with the distribution of one-to-one laptops. TEAL 10 is in the novice stages one year later as Newark Tech continues to meet the needs of the 21st century learner. Sophomores received either a DELL and Macbook laptop. TEAL 10 is equipped with a large screen TV for interactive lessons and online tools. TEAL 10 will include a SMARTboard, 21st century learning platforms and additional flexible learning spaces. As a result of a large sophomore population TEAL 10 functions out of two classrooms as future plans continue to develop and expand at Newark Tech.~~~Mrs. Love-Kelly

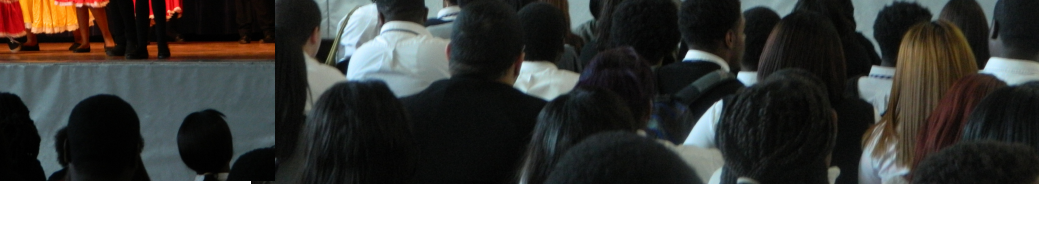
The Beginning...**To be continued...**

Hispanic Heritage Month "Hispanics on Broadway"

By Salimah
Brown

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On 10/24/14, many Newark Tech students witnessed what could be said to be the most amazing Hispanic Heritage performances. Newark Tech delivered outstanding dance numbers, musical pieces, and insightful information packed presentations on Hispanic culture. The theme focused on three major productions *West Side Story* (1960), *Evita* (1980) and *In the Heights* (2000). The music production class opened the assembly with songs from the popular play and movie *West Side Story* and *In The Heights*. The singing generated a throng of people to stand up and applaud, followed by roaring cheers which became rampant throughout the audience. The *West Side Story* vocals were brought to the present day generation reminding us that love will always prevail over hate. One word to describe the vocals "EXCELLENT". The Class of 2015 gave an adroit performance that had the audience avid for the next dance number. The audience was on the edge of their seats after each performance as the student audience shouted "ENCORE"!



**Mr. Bryan Raiford,
Robotics**



1. How does it feel to be back at Newark Tech in a different department ?

I feel great after four months of being in Newark Tech. In September I did not know what to expect, however, one advantage is that I know many of the teachers here. I'm also enjoying my new deptment and especially the students.

2. How long have you been teaching? I have been teaching for 16 years.

3. What do you enjoy about your new CTE course?

Robotics is very challenging and it make you think on a constant basis. I enjoy seeing the students working together in groups and designing and building their robots. Then programming the robotics to make the move. The 9th graders actual have been racing their robots. The Robotics Team which have built 2 robots for competition through out the state. Which we have placed third and second in two of the competition. These students are work very hard in designing, building, and programming these robots for competition. I'm enjoying this year very much.

4. How do you view your role as a teacher in the classroom?

In robotics critical-thinking is very important, students thinking for themselves, planning and coming up with the solution on their own. I see myself and an adviser.

5. What advice do you have for Newark Tech students to be successful?

My advice is to be more creative in class, anyone can stand in front of a classroom and teach. We need to have the students be engaged in the subject matter. Do research papers, magazine reports, create games within the class, make teaching and learn fun. We need to make our students do'er and allow them to think for themselves. They our the future.

1. What are your impressions of Newark Tech ?

My impression of Newark Tech is that here students do follow the motto "the pursuit of Excellence." I really like the culture and all the things the school has to offer to our students.

2. How long have you been teaching?

This is my 3rd year teaching and the first time teaching High School and I love it!

3. What do you enjoy about the world language department?

What I enjoy the most about the World Language department is that we all help each other. I liked how everyone welcomed me and made me feel like I have been here for a long time.

4. How do you view your role as a teacher in the classroom?

I view my role as a teacher as being the role model in the classroom. I want my students to learn the most they can from me, learn the language of Spanish and be able to use it when they leave Newark Tech. I want to be able to make a difference and ensure that every student achieves excellence.

5. What advice do you have for Newark Tech students to be successful?

The advice I have for Newark Tech students in order to be successful is to learn everything they can from the teachers. This school is great and everyone should take advantage of all the programs that are offered at this school. Focus on what you want and on what you are doing. Prioritize, education is the number 1 priority and always remember the school *motto* "The pursuit of Excellence!!!!"

**Ms. Maciel DeJesus,
World Language**



1. **What are your impressions of Newark Tech ?**

I have really enjoyed my time here over this past 4 months. I was surprised and happy how welcoming the staff was and the students.

2. **How long have you been teaching?**

I have been teaching in Essex County Vo-Tech for 15 year. I am my own trivia question, being the only teacher to teach at all 4 of our schools.

3. **What do you enjoy about your CTE course?**

The subject matter is really interesting. Also, this shop gives a real heads up for students wishing to go into a health profession.

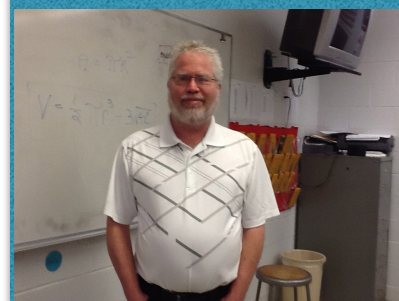
4. **How do you view your role as a teacher in the classroom?**

I believe I am here to help students learn. It is important to try to provide a successful experience whenever possible for students in our classes.

5. **What advice do you have for Newark Tech students to be successful?**

This is a great opportunity. Take advantage of it.

**Dr. Dennis Salmanowitz,
Nursing**



1. **What are your impressions of Newark Tech?** As an alumna of Newark Tech (Class of 1995), I am so very proud of where Newark Tech is today. It has come a long way since I attended .Newark Tech has the beautiful state of the art Terrier Dome and a newly renovated first floor with addition of the *TEAL* Center. The staff and students are amazing and work hard everyday to make Newark Tech one of the best high schools in Essex County. I am proud to call myself a Terrier!!

2. **How long have you been in administration?** I have been a Vice Principal for 2 years.

3. **What is your favorite subject?** My favorite subject is History. I love to learn about the past because, as quoted by Edmund Burke, "those who don't know history are destined to repeat it".

4. **What do you consider the main challenges for a vice principal?** I believe that the two most challenging aspects of a Vice Principal's role is discipline and attendance issues. Discipline issues are time-consuming and can interrupt the flow of the day. When a crisis erupts, we must quickly respond and handle the situation expeditiously.

5. **What advice do you have for Newark Tech students to be successful?**

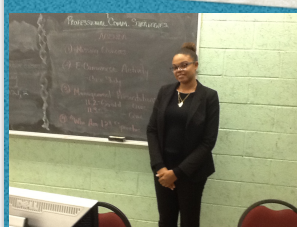
I am going to reference one of my favorite books by Stephen Covey, *The Seven Habits of Highly Effective People*. If you follow these steps, I believe that you can be successful in anything you do:

1. Be Proactive - Take responsibility for your choices and consequences that follow.
2. Begin with the End in mind - Create your success in your mind, then work to bring them into physical existence.
3. Put First things First - Prioritize! It is important to know what activities are important and what are urgent.
4. Think Win-Win - The belief that it's not your way or my way; it's a better way, a higher way. It seeks mutual benefits in all human interactions.
5. Seek first to understand, then to be understood – Communication is the most important skill in life. Be a good listener!
6. Synergize – TEAMWORK! Synergy lets us discover jointly things we are much less likely to discover by ourselves.
7. Sharpen the Saw – Continue to improve!

**Ms. Carmen T. Morales,
Vice Principal**



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Business**



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Mathematics**



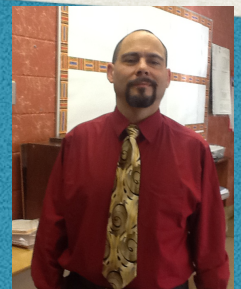
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Robotics**



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Physical Education**



**Mr. Gerald Kollath,
History**



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Creative Literature

Agonizing Confession of Life

BY
DOMONIQUE T. CAMPBELL

It is incredibly preposterous; people say they can never be with the person they love.
No one knows that torturous pain quite like myself, **(Satire)**
My heart is chained to that of a being I can never embrace.
He is my very opposite; if we were to ever touch all worlds would be obliterated,
This is the true meaning of an agonizing and traumatic love.

I birthed bouncing baby boys and gladly gifted giggling girls, **(Alliteration)**
And as I watched them live life; he only reared his haunting face once.
But was it truly his fault?
For who wishes to reside in a place where their very existence is unwelcomed?
His obligation is that of the worst tasks to ever carry out.
Proving once more, not all is accomplished with ease; someone has to take the blame.

He was so cold, even the harshest winters could not chill him. **(Hyperbole)**
Dark too, so dark not even the most brilliant of flames could make him out.
This very darkness is what they feared.
Appearing before them suddenly taking their hearts,
The very thing they'd hoaxed themselves into believing would always be theirs.

Shocking to both our senses there are few who wish to return my gift in exchange for his.
Those that see his beauty and run to his dark light, **(Oxymoron)**
Finding his gift much more befitting and appealing.
They are the few to accept that I am nothing more than a mere beautiful lie
And he, the horrifyingly ugly truth.
I start the "throbbing" that is one's timed heartbeat. **(Onomatopoeia)**
While he is the one to forever silence it.

The sun smiles to those I create, while the moon weeps on those he has taken. **(Personification)**
I was the ever so anticipated joyful summer, while he was the unwanted merciless winter.
I was the ice to your aching pain, while he was the mirage to your well-traveled desert. **(Metaphor)**
Though his very existence tortured the minds of humans,
As they breezed through life casually being reminded that their time on earth was limited
I loved him like the fish loved the seas, like the birds loved the sky.
Sadly, like an ice cube in the hot sun I could not stay with him. **(Simile)**

Who are we you question?
In the ever so simplest forms, I was light for I was life
And he was darkness for he was none other than death. **(Symbolism)**
Though we go hand and hand we are absolute opposites.
Though we are the only two that can understand and love each other,
We can never be together. **(Irony)**
Can life and death ever be united by touch? **(Rhetorical)**

"When The Boy Dreams"

by
Domonique T. Campbell

In slumber the boy sleeps, dreaming of the day that he would become someone worth comparing to his father; a man of great power and strength. The day he would conquer his enemies and save his kingdom that had fallen to shambles. With a sword in hand but no shield for his opponents he would never get the chance to take a swing. His flesh covered in scars marking how far he'd gone and how tough the journeys were. In the night yes the dear boy was engulfed in those very thoughts and in his mind there was nothing stopping him but mere years that would fly by in an instance.

"Starkard" The voice of a fragile woman erupted in the room.

"Starkard awaken my son" She said nudging him, turning to the drapes and opening the room letting in the sunlight. "A new day has begun Starkard and there is much to do."

His scrawny body crawled out of bed, only 13 but he had already become the man of the house; simply because there was no one else. He dressed himself and sat at the table where his "mother" of 74 had prepared him mutton. Her sweet rosy cheeks and soft skin wrinkled up on her face as she smiled at the boy who had actually been her grandson.

"Did you find sleep peaceful my son?" she asked with her soft spoken voice.

"Yes of course mother, I dreamt of the future and places I would travel to. How I would have become the man father once was. I saw the vastness of the ocean and the colors of the land. I beheaded treacherous monsters and ceased haunting demons. The world was my land and I roamed it with my worthy crew. Mother it was truly wondrous." He spoke with a smile so big showing his missing tooth on the top row.

Starkard finished his plate and flew downstairs threw the backdoor. The rays of the sun shined warmth and beauty. Golden hay swished in the breeze as the sheep called out. The smell of nature reminded Starkard of his father who would take him to the forest. The two would spend time playing swords and pretending to destroy all evil demons.

"Life was once so sweet" He spoke to himself. "I miss you father, you were my true hero and to all those who knew you. One day I will become just like you, and I will protect mother and raise children just as you raised me."

WHOPSH! The sound of an axe split the oak logs. He sweated in the hot sun, arching his back from sheer pain of hard work. Though he felt aches and soreness he did not complain. It was this very pain that he believed would make him into the man he dreamed to be. Wiping the sweat from his face Starkard looked to the sun where his dreams flew in the sky. To travel the world and create an army of brave fighters who would follow his every command. He reached to the sky as if he were going to fall into the heavens and find himself on a ship taking him to unknown lands of treasure, to monstrous demons that were in need of being vanquished. He laid in the soft grass and nodded off in the sun.

Sometime later:

"Ahh!" A scream in the distance awoken him, and as if he had the reflex of a cat Starkard turned his face to the house. Huffing up the small hill in his yard; land his father had left to him and his mother. Through the back door he found destruction in the home, a strange lizard like creature had broken down the gates and crawled its way inside. With intense purple eyes the monster locked onto Starkard.

"Run Starkard run!" His mother said from upstairs throwing mugs and dishes at the beast to draw away its attention.

It moved with incredible speed, zipping from the downstairs room to the stairs, onto the side of the walls to the very top of the staircase. His mother was elderly and incapable of outrunning such speeds.

"Mother!" Starkard cried out.

With a vicious snarl the demon sunk its razor sharp teeth in her body. Ripping her limb from limb, blood splattered against walls that were once home to sweet memories. Fear stricken Starkard couldn't move; the beast licked the ground where his mother's body had fallen. Now turned to him for another meal, it sniffed the air. In this moment life had become real; the world Starkard lived in was not what he dreamt of. He dreamt of a heroic life with adventure and merriment, alas Starkard was no such hero, he was no such savior. He was but a mere child who dreamed too big.

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Scales vibrating at the thought of Starkard's young blood and meat, it charged. With that Starkard's life flashed before him.

"It seems I was never meant to be like my father. All we have in common were that we perished unable to taste our dreams."

Starkard's world went dark and cold, the lizard slithered through the front door. Blood trails marked his presence as he left an empty home, which once held the big dreams of a small child named Starkard.

Music Appreciation

by Deja Ingram

Fall

By Bobbie Johnson

Change is a thing in life that we
are used to

The sky is no longer light blue
But sprinkled with sweet clouds
That tell stories In the sky without making a
sound

The air is not cold but crisp
Like lays potato chips
My closet is filled with scarves and knitted
ponchos

Getting rid of my old clothes
So my black furry boots can warm my toes
Trees strip there leaves
Exchanging bright greens for neutral scenes
The colors are changing
The seasons are rearranging
The time of diving in leaves, everything is
crystal clear

There's a change going on, fall is here

Music
technology is very
key thing here at
Newark Tech.

Music technology
is any technology,
such as a
computer, an
effects unit or a
piece of software,
that is used by a

musician to help make music, especially the use of electronic
devices and computer software to facilitate playback,
recording, composition, storage, mixing, analysis, editing,
and performance. Without music technology we would not
have music genres such as dubstep, techno, and house
music. Learning how to use music technology is part of what
we do in the music production class. In addition to learning
about music technology we are the music behind many
school events. The department also handles videotaping
around Newark Tech.



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