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January marks the beginning of "new goals" for many individuals, which includes those of us immersed in this field of inclusive postsecondary education. In the last newsletter, you were encouraged to reflect on your Fall semester and ask the tough questions that might spark change or even be a bit bold to "live on the edge" and embark on something new or innovative.

As each of you envisions your programs growth and development and breath fresh new ideas and life into your Spring semester, I encourage you to strengthen your partnerships within your campus community. Building on the naturally existing resources that are for all students, helps all staff members understand that students enrolled within your initiative are, by rights, college students. College students are highly valued individuals with interests, opinions, and filled with ideas. College students are not a "charity" or a service project. Students within your initiative are enrolled to learn, achieve, and expand their capacity as individuals. And yes, at the end of their experience, land a job within a field that gives them meaning and full participation within our world and society.

As you are taking a brisk walk around your campus this month, think of all the ways that you can expand your partnerships with the existing departments. Everyone will benefit and capacity is built for your program.

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Registration for all ThinkCollege webinars is FREE, and includes live participation as well as a link to the recorded webinar, transcript, and presentation materials to use after the event.

To find more go to: <u>https://thinkcollege.net/think</u>_college-news/think-college-spring-2019-webinar-series-is-top-notch

WHAT IS HAPPENING

- "Who's on Your Team: Connecting Your Goals with Great People," a FREE, live webinar on self-determination hosted by the dynamic poet and advocate, LeDerick Horne on January 15, 2019
- Think College will be hosting their first Zoom webinar of 2019 on January 15th at 3:00 PM. The topic is How one University does Inclusive Coursework: Strategies and Examples from University of Kansas.
- Kaitlyn Servanti from Office of Vocational Rehabilitation will be the guest speaker at our next PA IHE Consortium Meeting held via zoom platform on January 28, 2019 at 2:00pm.
- Register for ThinkCollege Spring Webinars at : https:// thinkcollege.net/tc-events-upcoming? field event cal categories tid=203
- 2018-2019 PA Community on Transition Webinar Series –
 Planning for the LifeCourse on February 6, 2019 and April 1, 2019
- Registration is now open for Pennsylvania Inclusive Higher Education Consortium's Spring 2019 Symposium: Inclusive College Experiences in PA: Imagine the possibilities that will be held on March 30, 2019 at Doubletree by Hilton Pittsburgh/ Cranberry.
- Save the Date April 8-10, 2019 Disability Policy Seminar that will be held at Renaissance Hotel, Washington, DC.

DID YOU KNOW?

The Pennsylvania Inclusive Higher Education Consortium consists of 20 membering Institutions of Higher Education that are at varying stages of implementation of providing inclusive educational experiences for students with intellectual disability.

Go to <u>https://pihec.com/consortium-members/</u> to see a complete list of our members.



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