

Cliff Cole Superintendent

Dear Parents,

The Paulding County School District is dedicated to helping all of our students reach their highest potential *For Success Today and Tomorrow*. Tomorrow for us is success through the post-secondary years and beyond. The challenge lies in discovering each student's unique set of talents and understanding how those talents will drive major college, career, and even life choices. That's why we are excited to share with you that we have partnered with YouScience and RKR Construction to bring an innovative new program called the YouScience Profile to our students.

YouScience is being offered this year to our 10th and 11th grade students. With this program, our students will discover their unique set of talents and our staff will deliver even more effective and accurate guidance. This program takes students through a series of assessments and interest questions, designed to determine their 14 key aptitudes. The results include a review of the student's strengths, suggested environments where they will succeed, detailed information on possible careers, majors, and much more. A school counselor will help them review and interpret the comprehensive results. Learn more about how the program works and watch video demonstrations at www.YouScience.com.

Here's what to expect:

- Your student will need an email address to which results will be provided electronically.
- The assessment will be taken online at school and will take about 1 ½ hours to complete.
- For results to be accurate, students will need to provide their honest effort.
- You will need to have a conversation with your student regarding the educational and career experiences of your family's past generations as that will help them in their responses to some of the exercises.
- There will be follow-up assessments and resources provided that can be completed by the student on their own as well as a YouScience account they will have access to for many years.

Based on the science behind the YouScience Profile and our review of the program, we believe that this will help students to make more informed decisions and staff to provide quality guidance. Please feel free to contact your local school counselor if you have any questions. Thank you for your continued support of the Paulding County School District.

Very truly yours,

Cliff Cole