

# BOARD HAPPENINGS

March 4 and 18, 2014

## MARCH 4<sup>th</sup>

- Asst. Supt. [Marilyn Hissong](#) and [Kurt Dager](#), Corporation Test Coordinator, presented information to the Board regarding the state mandated ACCUPLACER and Core-Link tests which will begin this school year.
- [Dr. Folks](#) and [Mrs. Hissong](#) presented findings of the recent unscientific District Climate Survey. In total 454 surveys were completed. Results have been disaggregated and specific comments about specific schools have been shared with school administrators to take action with their staff if necessary. It appears that 75% of respondents are satisfied with the district. Board discussion followed. This same survey will be run again next year so that answers can be compared against this year's baseline.

## MARCH 18<sup>th</sup>

- A revised plan for make-up days was approved. This plan adds 6 days to the end of the school year, cancels teacher collaboration days on Wednesdays, and adds 30 minutes to the end of each school day (60 minutes each Wednesday) through and including Thursday, May 8<sup>th</sup>. This still leaves 5 hours to be made up at the secondary level with an eLearning Day in April. The last day of school is currently Wednesday, June 4<sup>th</sup>.
- [East Allen University](#) Principal [Doug Hicks](#) and Student Council Staff Advisor [Nichole Decker](#). Were on hand as freshmen [Landrie Jones](#), [Isaiah Rivera](#), and [Katie Watson](#) who presented information on behalf of [EAU](#) as to how the student body arrived at choosing their school mascot. They respectfully asked that the Board approve the Blue Jay as the official mascot for [EAU](#). Board Members complimented the students for a job well done on how the whole process was carried out at their school, for their due diligence, and for their presentation. Formal action was taken that night instead of waiting until the next Board meeting.

## RECOGNITIONS

Members of the [Heritage High School](#) FFA were recognized for their participation in the National FFA Floriculture and Farm Business Management Career Development Events. The Floriculture team was awarded a Bronze emblem. Individual emblem awards went to [Austin Franz](#) - Silver; [Olivia Scott](#) - Bronze; [Logan Heimann](#) - Silver, and [Grant Hood](#) - Bronze. The Farm Business Management team was awarded a Silver emblem. Individual emblem awards went to [Sidney Mumma](#) - Silver; [Tori Scott](#) - Bronze, [Connor Scheumann](#) - Gold, and [Noah VanHorn](#) - Silver. The FFA Advisors are [Mike Shirey](#) and [Chris Hall](#).



Several [Leo High School](#) students were recognized for designing safety posters for the district. The posters help students and staff to remember the importance of safety. Student poster designers include: [Chandler Yoder](#), [Chandler Fields](#), [Hannah Thomas](#), [Alli Miller](#), [Aubrey Groves](#), and [Hannah Zimmerman](#). Thank you!



The annual EACS' Digital Day Video contest 1st place winners were recognized: [Edward Stuckey](#) - 4<sup>th</sup> grade - [WOIS](#) - "Unique Skills"; [Coren Paige](#) - 7<sup>th</sup> grade - [NHMS](#) - "Dream It. Do It."; and [Jacob Cooper](#) - 12<sup>th</sup> grade and [Jeneca Cooper](#) - 10<sup>th</sup> grade - [LEHS](#) - "Dream It. Do It." These videos are posted on the EACS website. Congratulations!



## PERSONNEL

### ~ Welcome New Hires ~

- [Annette Buzzard](#), bus monitor, eff. 3/19/14
- [Lola Curry](#), bus driver, eff. 3/13/14
- [Tia Doughty](#), paraprofessional, EACS Alternative School eff. 3/5/14
- [Mark Elrod](#), bus driver, eff. 3/13/14
- [Cheryl Good](#), bus driver, eff. 3/13/14
- [Jerry Handschy](#), bus driver, eff. 3/17/14
- [Alfred Lee](#), bus driver, eff. 3/13/14
- [Bonnie Sarrazine](#), bus monitor, eff. 3/19/14
- [James Shwe](#), district bilingual parent liaison, eff. 3/5/14
- [Jennifer Thompson](#), paraprofessional, SOEL, eff. 3/19/14
- [Frederich Ulrich](#), bus driver, eff. 3/13/14

### ~ Resignations ~

- [Sarah Curl](#), paraprofessional, PHJH, eff. 3/28/14
- [Stephanie Gerig](#), paraprofessional, WOHS, eff. 2/28/14
- [Linda McKee\\*](#), teacher, NHMS
- [Sara Moody](#), paraprofessional, SOEL, eff. 2/21/14
- [Paige Mostella](#), teacher, WOHS, eff. 2/20/14
- [Leah Mutton\\*](#), teacher, HEHS

### ~ Retirements ~

- [Roberta Buroff\\*](#), teacher, CEEL
- [Ronald Crosby\\*](#), teacher, LEHS
- [Richard Lightfoot\\*](#), teacher, LEHS
- [Claudette Minniear\\*](#), teacher, CEEL
- [Annie Saalfrank](#), food service manager, HEEL, eff. 8/1/14
- [Nancy Zimmerman\\*](#), teacher, LEEL

### ~ New Administrative Change ~

- [Interim Director Keith Madsen](#) to [Director of Technology](#), eff. 7/1/14

\*Effective end of school year