



What's Happening at the MCSESC!

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Math "24" Tournament

The Medina County "24" Math Tournament was held for area fourth-grade students on January 24, 2013, at the Cloverleaf Recreation Center.

Participating school districts included Brunswick, Medina, Wadsworth, and Cloverleaf. Each school district brought 24 students to take part in the day's five-round event.

During the "24" Tournament, the students know that 24 is the answer to each mathematical problem card that they are presented. Students must explain the process and patterns that they use to reach 24.

Top honors of the day belong to: Right front: Bayethe Rowell--Medina, 1st place; Left front: Nolan McNeal--Cloverleaf, 2nd place; Right rear: Emily Winnicki--Cloverleaf, 3rd place; and Left rear: Weston Mansier--Medina, 4th place.



Spelling Bee



The Medina County Spelling Bee will take place again this year at Medina High School auditorium on February 6, 2013.

Districts that choose to participate pre-register their schools each fall. The Bee is open to sixth-, seventh-, and eighth-grade students from public, private, and parochial schools in the county. The number of students a school is permitted to send depends on the student population of the building – the higher the student population, the more students are eligible to

represent that school at the Bee – up to five students. The students qualify for the regional competition through competing in their local building spelling bee.

The county Bee, which is sponsored by the Akron Beacon Journal, follows the Scripps Howard National Spelling Bee format. The top six winners of the Medina County Spelling Bee will advance to represent Medina County at the Akron Regional Bee in March.

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Buckeye Students Receive CPR Training



Mrs. Acks' junior high health class

The class addressed CPR, use of an automated external defibrillator, choking, and basic first aid. The course was offered over a week with **all** students completing the curriculum requirement for their health class.

Lori Hogue, Director of Nursing Services, provided the American Heart Association CPR/First Aid training at Buckeye Junior and Senior High Schools in December and January health classes.

Fifty-two Buckeye Junior High students in Mrs. Acks' and twenty-seven students from Mr. Sanders' Buckeye High School health classes received training and course completion cards.



Mr. Sanders' high school health class

College Goal Sunday

For the first time, College Goal Sunday is coming to Medina County! It is scheduled to be held on Sunday, February 10, at 2 p.m. at the Medina County University Center, 6300 Technology Lane, Medina.



This program focuses on providing free assistance to students (youth or adult) who need financial aid. Anyone, even from outside Medina County, is welcome to attend. Some local colleges, Tri-C and LCCC, will be engaged in this event. Students may register to attend at: http://www.ohiocollegegoalsunday.org/CGSStudent_2013.html. If you are interested in volunteering to assist with the Medina County College Goal Sunday, here is the link to the site: http://www.ohiocollegegoalsunday.org/CGSVolunteer_2013.html.

College Goal Sunday is co-sponsored by the Ohio Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators (OASFFA) and locally by the Post newspaper. The event is being hosted by the Medina County University Center in cooperation with the Medina County Schools' ESC. For more information, contact the site coordinator, Denise Testa, at dtesta@uakron.edu.



Inspirational Quote

The difference between school and life? In school, you're taught a lesson and then given a test. In life, you're given a test that teaches you a lesson.

Tom Bodett

Recycling to Make a Difference: It's a Win-Win for All!

For the past 14 years, Lori Hogue, who is currently the Director of Nursing Services for the Medina County Schools' ESC, has been working with the students in our Medina County schools. Previously she worked through a local hospital, but by working through an educational entity, the nursing services staff members team with educators to provide the best health and wellness program and educational opportunities possible for our students. The director seeks only to encourage the best possible health environment by working with each student's physician to provide needed care.



Lori is asking for the support from our communities to assist our nursing program by collecting recyclables. "What does nursing have to do with recycling?" you may ask. As a nonprofit, school-based organization, we can receive a check twice a year for all recyclables we send in. In turn, the money we receive can be used to purchase health supplies for our school clinics!

As part of any health plan, there are goals and objectives to be met. Here is her goal for the nursing department:

With items collected for recycling, money can be raised to assist in needed clinic and health resources for students in our communities. The TerraCycle program provides free UPS shipping on all items collected. So there is absolutely no cost to maintain or continue this program.

The objectives are as follows:

- For every item recycled, the nursing department receives 2 cents. It may not sound like much, but in 2010 we were able to use money earned to purchase a hand-washing station to utilize in our hand-washing program for students in the classroom. In 2011 we purchased needed pulse oximeters for schools to help assess the respiratory status of asthmatics and others.
- By educating community members about supporting this program, we hope to increase the number of items we collect and, thereby, increase the monetary funds needed to sustain our clinic supplies.
- The TerraCycle program has a wonderful curriculum for students about recycling. By starting children thinking about recycling at an early age, they will become more aware of its importance for their entire life. Just like promoting other aspects of health and wellness, we want to keep our environment healthy too!

Here is a list of items we are currently collecting:

- Used glue sticks or bottles (any brand)
- Empty juice pouches, with or without the straw (any brand)
- All used writing utensils, such as pens, Expo markers, mechanical pencils, or Sharpie markers (no crayons or pencils)
- Tape dispensers (core or entire plastic piece)

If you would like to start collecting, drop off items at the following location:

Medina County Schools' ESC
124 W. Washington Street
Medina, OH 44256

For more information about the TerraCycle program, visit the following Web site: www.terracycle.com.

Thank you for supporting nursing services and our students' good health!

Did You Know...?

Nurses' Corner

Flu season is here and guess where we find the 10 germiest places in the classroom!

1. Water fountain toggle
2. Manual pencil sharpener handle
3. Computer keyboard
4. Sink faucet handle
5. Paper towel dispenser lever
6. Sink countertop
7. Computer mouse
8. Student desktop
9. Student desk chair
10. Soap dispenser lever



The dirtiest places in the workplace!

1. Breakroom sink faucet (tap) handles
2. Microwave door handles
3. Keyboards
4. Refrigerator door handles
5. Water fountain buttons
6. Vending machine buttons

Special Needs Initiatives

The Medina County Schools' ESC preschool, **The Growing Tree**, is accepting applications for the 2013-14 school year.



You can find more information about our preschool (including the handbook, application, preschool requirements, tuition contract, medical forms payment coupons, and media release forms), at the following link: [Preschool Forms](#)

Please submit checks payable to "Medina County Schools' ESC" along with the registration form to:

Medina County Schools' ESC
124 W. Washington Street
Medina, Ohio 44256
ATTN: Linda Gehring

If you have further questions, please contact Linda Gehring at 330-723-6393, ext. 125.

Technology Corner

Bonus Tip: Connect Your iPad to Your HDTV

You aren't just limited to the iPad's display if you are watching a movie or playing a game. You can also connect the iPad to an HDTV. The easiest way to do this is through [Apple TV](#), which supports AirPlay and lets you wirelessly "throw" your iPad's screen to your TV.

But even if you have no interest in Apple TV, you can buy an adapter to plug your iPad into your TV. The best solution is Apple's [Digital AV Adapter](#), but you can also get composite or component cables.

Clearing the cookies and website data off your iPad

Remove **ALL** cookies and website data:

- Go to setting apps.
- Click on the Safari in the left-hand column.

Clearing the cookies and website data off your iPad (continued)

Remove **ALL** cookies and website data:

- Click "Clear Cookies and Data" in the right-hand column.
- Confirm when screen pops up.

Remove cookies and website data from specific website:

- Go to setting apps
- Click on the Safari icon
- Advance
- Website Data
- Show all sites
- On the right side of screen, slide finger across numbers such as: 7.0MB or 3.3 MB or 12 KB.
- Tap on Delete.