

2016 Tom Magier Pursuit of Excellence Award



On Monday, March 28, 2016, the first annual, "Tom Magier Pursuit of Excellence Award" was presented at the Buckeye Wrestling Awards Program. The plaque was presented by former Buckeye coach, Tom Magier, to Nick Neitenbach. He is the son of Dylan and Nicole Neitenbach, both former students of Mr. Magier. Dylan also wrestled for Buckeye back in the 1980's.

Junior High coaches John Dalglish and Mike Tecco, also former students, wrestlers and football players for Magier created this award. "Mr. Magier was our coach in junior high football and wrestling when we attended Buckeye and we wanted to have an award to honor him in some way because he was a big part of the success we had. We named it the Tom Magier Pursuit of Excellence award for the

wrestler that was the most deserving. This will be an ongoing award from year to year for the wrestler that exemplified a solid work ethic, a highly competitive nature and displayed strong leadership qualities throughout the wrestling season."

Tom Magier taught English, reading and history for 30 years at Buckeye, and also coached wrestling, football and track during many of those years. He is currently the Director/teacher of the Alternative School at the ESC of Medina County, where he and the staff help students to recover credits and earn their high school diplomas. He is married to Brenda and lives in Munroe Falls, and has two married children Jake (Shannon) of Portland, Oregon and Nicole (Tim) of Medina, and three grandchildren, Isabelle in Medina, and Holden and Harlow in Portland.



(Left) Dylan Neitenbach; Tom Magier; Nick Neitenbach; (right) Nicole Neitenbach

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Homer B. Smith Teacher of Excellence Award

On March 28, 2016, Josh Boggs, 8th-grade science teacher at Cloverleaf Middle School, was honored by receiving the Homer B. Smith, Teacher of the Excellence Award for 2016. Principal Brian Madigan nominated Mr. Boggs due to his dedication to all aspects of teaching. Not only is Josh a dedicated science teacher, but also he has become a Certified Google Educator. This, in turn, helped all teachers in the Cloverleaf local School District to expand their knowledge in technology. Mr. Madigan said in his nomination letter that “Josh’s efforts are revolutionary and will impact each and every individual of our district and change the way education is delivered to our students for years to come.”



William Koran, ESC Superintendent, left Josh Boggs (center) and Homer B. Smith (right)

Also, in August of 2015 he engaged in the development of a Technology Academy for nine staff members district wide, and each teacher involved received his/her own classroom set of Chromebooks. Thanks to Josh’s dedication, the Technology Academy will be extended through the 2016-17 school year.

Visual Art Show

The Medina County Visual Art Festival – High School Senior Show is being held March 10-April 13, 2016, at the South Medical Office Building (Entrance D), 970 East Washington Street, Medina. Show hours are 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. (Monday through Friday) and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (Saturday). This year’s festival celebrates Youth Art Month, which emphasizes the value of arts education for all children. High school seniors who are students of Medina County visual arts teachers were eligible to participate. Both individual and portfolio entries were accepted.



A reception was held at 7 p.m. on Monday, **March 28**, for participants, their families, and teachers. Award presentations began at 7:30 p.m. by the Medina County Art League and the ESC of Medina County.

“Girls Are IT”

Karl Walker, ESC of Medina County technician assigned to the Buckeye district, has been doing some great work with Buckeye students. Karl has assisted a group of sixth-grade girls in pursuing their interest in technology by working with them in a program they call "Girls Are IT." With the encouragement and guidance of Karl Walker and Laurie Green, the girls have built a computer from the ground up. Karl and this group of 6th-graders were invited by the Ohio Department of Education to discuss this project at the 2016 Ohio Educational Technology Conference in Columbus this past February. As a continuation of the program, they are now working on a book for other young women their age to learn about computers and how to build them. They also presented at the 2016 NEOTech Conference at Kent State University on March 10, 2016. Karl continues to support this endeavor and other teachable moments involving technology.



Fourth Annual Educators' Symposium

The ESC of Medina County is excited to present our Fourth Annual Ohio Educators' Symposium will be held June 6-9, 2016, at the Medina County Career Center.

This professional development opportunity will bring in top presenters from all over the state of Ohio to present dozens of breakout sessions, as well as keynote speakers. The four days of in-service will be available for both credit or non-credit. One or two graduate credit hours will be available from The University of Akron or Ashland University. Additional online credits will be available to participants of the symposium at a reduced rate. This four-day event is open to all professional educators.



To register for this opportunity, click the link on our webpage.

<http://www.medina-esc.org/professionaldevelopment.aspx>



Educational Service Center of Medina County Summer Enrichment Program 2016

The MCSESC Summer Enrichment Program is designed for school age students (K-grade 3; grades 4-7; grades 8-10) who can benefit from a structured and relevant small group environment with a focus on building personal and social confidence. Classes will be developed based on grade and skill level. Our program is structured to provide students who struggle with social situations a vehicle to practice social skills within a small group setting and opportunities to generalize those skills in the community. Specific IEP goals can be addressed as well.



This program is classroom based three days per week and community based 1 day per week. Students will receive direct instruction in appropriate social skills, time to practice skills in the classroom environment, and opportunities to demonstrate skills in the community. Instruction is focused on "learning by doing" and features real life social situations. Students will work with an Intervention Specialist and Board Certified Behavior Analyst (BCBA). Occupational therapy will be available through a partnership with ABC Therapy, and speech therapy will be available as well.

At the start of each week, the students will summarize, through group discussion, the events of the preceding week. The discussion will include identification of target skills, student perspective, teacher perspective, and other opportunities for application of skills. Throughout the week students will work cooperatively with each other through turn taking activities, small group projects, and preparation for planned outing.

Parent/Guardian involvement is crucial to the child's social skills development and improvement. The instructor will communicate with parents at the end of each session with a daily report on student participation and behavior through a checklist. At the end of the program the Parents/Guardians will be invited to a luncheon where the students will share the skills acquired and developed during the program.

Registration due date is May 27, 2016

Tuition for the program is \$1,250 per student.

2016 Summer Enrichment Program Schedule

Week 1	June 13-16	M/T/W/T	9 a.m.—1 p.m.
Week 2	June 20-23	M/T/W/T	9 a.m.—1 p.m.
Week 3	June 27-30	M/T/W/T	9 a.m.—1 p.m.
Week 4	July 5-8*	T/W.T/F	9 a.m.—1 p.m.
Week 5	July 11-14	M/T/W/T	9 a.m.—1 p.m.
Week 6	July 18-21	M/T/W/T	9 a.m.—1 p.m.

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