



What's Happening at the MCSESC

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Board-Staff Recognition Awards



The Staff Recognition Dinner was held at [Williams on the Lake](#) on December 10, 2010. Approximately 100 persons in attendance to congratulate all those receiving awards, including were the 2010 Carl W. Breyley Distinguished Service Award which was presented to Barbara Gunkelman. Barbara is the Education Specialist to [Buckeye Local Schools](#). Mr. Dennis Honkala, Superintendent of Buckeye Local Schools wrote: "Barbara is an asset to the Buckeye Local Schools and Medina County Educational Service Center's educational community in many ways. She has always recognized the value of advocating for students in a variety of ways. Most recently Barbara has worked collaboratively with administrators, the teacher's union and specific staff members on the very important initiative of "Race to the Top." She has taken the lead for our district academic initiative of "Align, Assess, Achieve." Mr. Honkala continued by saying, "All this said, it is in the area of administrator-teacher relationships where Barbara truly excels. She, above all else, is an excellent communicator and motivator: challenging all of us to think, to question and to relate events to our lives."

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The following service awards were also presented:

Mission Statement:

The Medina County Schools' Educational Service Center will be the leader in providing services and products that promote excellence in education.

- 5-Year Service Award: Dan Vincent
Lynn Wise
Jacinda Yonker
- 10-Year Service Award: Nancy Nimmo
Mike Redfern
- 15-Year Service Award: Janelle Sailer
- 20-Year Service Award: Leslie DeDauw
- 30-Year Service Award: Ed Knowles
- 35-Year Service Award: Brenda Lester

Congratulations to all of our award recipients!

William Koran, Superintendent

AESA Conference Savannah, Georgia – December 2010

On Thursday, December 2, 2010, Mike Redfern, pre-service bus driver instructor, presented at the [25th Annual AESA Conference](#) on the Expanding Transportation Programs of the Medina County Schools' ESC. Mr. Redfern addressed those in attendance on the importance of creating and developing new programs and training materials for van drivers in the Medina County area. Mr. Redfern showed the successful bus driver training in Medina County in relation to in-services coordinated by the Medina County ESC. Furthermore, Mr. Redfern stated this successful program would be the basis of the program to be used in the transporting of special needs students by the Medina County Schools' ESC for all the school districts in Medina County.



Playhouse Square

Here is an opportunity for you and your students to enjoy the theater at a discounted price.

[SPECIAL OFFERS FOR CEO MEMBERS:](#)

Save up to \$19.50 per ticket (Savings of \$19.59 is only applicable to certain sections during certain performances. Offer not available retroactively.) to see the award-winning musical comedy, *Altar Boyz*...Tickets for the following performances are just \$10 and \$20!



PlayhouseSquare

Thursday, January 13

Boxs & Bar sections: \$10

All other sections: \$20 (reg. \$29.50)

Friday, January 14

Boxs & Bar sections: \$10

All other sections: \$20 (reg. \$29.50)

Saturday, January 15

Boxs & Bar sections: \$10

All other sections: \$20 (reg. \$29.50)

Sunday, January 16

Boxs & Bar sections: \$10

All other sections: \$20 (reg. \$29.50)



More about the shows:

Altar Boyz

January 13-30
Hanna Theatre

**Don't miss out on these other great shows
& pre-sale opportunities ...**

South Pacific

part of the KeyBank Broadway Series
February 1-13, 2011

Sesame Street LIVE; 1-2-3 Imagine with Elmo & Friends

April 14-17

Tickets for the general public goes on-sale January 19, 2011.

Visit playhousesquare.org/CEO to learn more about these shows and others available, or log in to your Corporate Exclusive Account. Use the promotion code provided below.

Promotion code: **SHOWTIX**

For more information, please contact Joe Scotch at 216-664-6042 or at scothj@playhousesquare.org.

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ParaPro Classes

Once again, the Medina County Schools' Educational Service Center is offering a paraprofessional training workshop. The purpose of the paraprofessional study group is to provide participants an opportunity to review and study material in preparation for taking the online Educational Testing Service (ETS) Paraprofessional Assessment. Each session will focus on one subject area (reading, math, and writing). The fourth session will be practice with the ETS tutorial to prepare for taking the online test. Session dates are as follows:

Wednesday	January 19	4:30-6:30 p.m.
Thursday	January 20	4:30-6:30 p.m.
Wednesday	January 26	4:30-6:30 p.m.
Thursday	January 27	4:30-6:30 p.m.
Wednesday	February 2	4:30 p.m. (testing)

Upcoming Events

- ✚ Solo Ensemble Festival - Jan 22, 2011
Greg King/ Brenda Zacharias
- ✚ Spelling Bee - February 1, 2011
Dan Vincent, Ph.D.
- ✚ "All Star" Bands Festival – February 15, 2011
Dana Hire/ Jamie Holcomb/Brenda Zacharias
- ✚ Math 24 Tournament – February 24, 2011
Michele Wargo/Brenda Magier/Jacinda Yonker
- ✚ High School Academic Challenge Tournament – February 25, 2011
Michele Wargo/Brenda Magier/Jacinda Yonker
- ✚ "Robofest 2011" – March 26, 2011
Brenda Magier/Jacinda Yonker
- ✚ Babysitting Classes for Your Child - Feb. 5 10-3
Lori Hogue

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Thank You

We appreciate the opportunity to share with you the events and the latest services our ESC offers. Through this newsletter, you are learning about our ESC and what type of services we can provide to you, our customers.

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